



Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes, October 17, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.
2. Roll Call: *Ferris, Holtzer, Kerr, LaFrenz, Michels, Olson*
3. Approval of 9/19/17 Minutes: M = Olson S = Kerr Ayes: 6 Noes: 0 Approved
4. Open Time for Public Expression: Scott Bullard of Archery in Marin introduced himself and presented his intention to carve out a niche in Sorrich Park Open Space for archery activities and expressed his hope that the Commission would support this endeavor. It was agreed that he will give a presentation at the November meeting. Chantal Meyer came to inform the Commission about the GREAT SHAKEOUT earthquake preparedness event happening worldwide at 10:19 am on 10/19/17. She explained that it is meant to bring awareness by taking a moment to respond as though there were an actual earthquake.
5. Parks Report - AJ Shaw: Unable to attend
6. Presentation:
 - A. Goblins' Spooktacular - by Dana Gibson: Dana came dressed in her traditional Purple Witch costume, shared Halloween treats with the Commissioners and gave a Power Point presentation. She explained that there are approximately thirty volunteers that pass out candy at sixteen points along the Avenue and invited the Commissioners to come help. She also explained the roll of the downtown merchants, who also pass out candy.
7. Discussion Items:
 - A. Country Fair Day Wrap-up: Mattie O'Grady, Recreation Supervisor, reported that the beverage booths netted almost \$4400 this year. There was discussion about what worked and what didn't. It was agreed that there was not enough ice and the need to double the amount from 20 to 40 bags next year. Also, white wine and bottled water inventory (need 6 flats) will need to be increased. It was decided that only the Avenue Bar will sell kids juice drinks. The Creek Park Bar will sell Pellegrino and wants to increase that inventory to 4 flats. With regard to bar height tables, LaFrenz said that he took a look at the rented tables and says he can make the 'risers' to fit the tables in our inventory. It was agreed that the 3-table U-shape works best. LaFrenz brought up the topic of Parade vs. Pedestrians. O'Grady responded with acknowledgement of the problem and gave examples of ways this issue has been addressed in years past, reporting that, so far, nothing really seems to work. Holtzer suggested starting the event at the opposite end of town, to which O'Grady said she would review. It was agreed that the placement of the Clover booth across from Gelato store was not a good fit.
 - B. November Meeting Date: Will remain on the 21st, unless quorum is not met.
 - C. December Meeting Date: As in past years, the Commission has agreed to have a Holiday Social in lieu of the regular meeting. Kerr has volunteered to host. He and Videgar will coordinate invitations.
8. Staff Updates:
 - A. Recruitment of New Commissioner: Mauk reported that interviews will be on November 14, 2017 at TC meeting. Mauk will send Commission copies of applications.
 - B. Playground Volunteer Program - 10/15: Mauk reported that the program was cancelled due to poor air quality - suggested that the commission start planning now for the Earth Day Work Party in the Spring '18.
 - C. Gymnastics Program: Mauk reported that Juan plans to retire in the next two to three years.

9. Commission comments and questions, requests for future agenda items:
 - Holtzer requested Marin Archery presentation for November meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm SSV