



## **FEBRUARY 6, 2024 | 5:00 P.M. PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Madam Chair Dykstra called the meeting to order on Tuesday, February 6, at 5:00 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Members in Attendance:**

Madam Chair Melanie Dykstra  
Vice Chair Tim Johnson  
Board Member James Montgomery  
Board Member John David  
Board Member Sue McInturff  
Board Member Lynette Bradley

#### **Members Absent:**

Board Member Jegadesan Krishnamurthy

#### **Staff Members:**

John Sefton, Erika Berry, Ariane Francis, Chris Smith, Tyler Buckley, Corey Povar, Mickey Ohland, Rebecca Kuiper

### **SCHEDULED/UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

#### **Scheduled Appearance – Brook Beall**

Mr. Beall discussed the use of motorized vehicles on Paseo Vista Trail. Mr. Beall introduced Brianna McHenry from SRP. Mrs. McHenry explained that all motorized

vehicles are prohibited. She explained that motorized vehicles have a motor to propel an individual.

Brooke Beall commented on signage on Paseo Vista Trail. He stated that the signage that has been placed is a good start, but in his opinion, it is inadequate. Mr. Beall stated he would like additional signage, including courtesy signs.

Madam Chair moved to make the safety concerns regarding motorized vehicles on Paseo Vista Trail an agenda item for a future board meeting. All board members agreed.

**Unscheduled Appearances** – Conrad Calderon

Mr. Calderon spoke about an incident involving his dog at Shawnee Park. Mr. Calderon explained that his dog was stabbed and killed recently and expressed his main concern is about safety and the fact there are no cameras in the dog parks. Requested that this item be addressed at a future board meeting.

Madam Chair Dykstra moved to make it a future agenda item. All board members agreed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Minutes** approved, Tim Johnson motioned, and John David seconded, all in favor.

**CYSA Concession Requests** – Staff member Tyler Buckley

Mr. Buckley presented the CYSA Concession Requests for the 2024 calendar year.

Madam Chair Dykstra had a question about revenue from the concessions and the Chandler Girls Softball league not receiving a portion of the revenue.

Staff Member Erika Berry stated that the league views concessions as more beneficial to their participants and families. Mrs. Berry also stated that the vendors pay the City a permit fee and taxes on the revenue received.

Board Member Johnson inquired about Chandler American, which only requests through May and not the entire year. Mr. Buckley explained that they only conduct a spring season and do not have leagues throughout the year.

Board Member McInturf motioned to recommend Director approval. Board Member John David seconded, and none opposed.

## **BRIEFING**

### **New Employee and Board Member Introductions**

Ms. Berry introduced new board member Lynette Bradley and the new Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Corey Povar.

**Staff Member Presentation on the Tennis Center** – Staff Member Ariane Francis Presentation attached

## **CALENDAR ITEMS**

Sonoran Sunset Series - February 15th, Veterans Oasis Parks, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Community Nights at Kyrene del Pueblo, February 16th, 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Chandler Fun Run - February 22nd, at Tumbleweed Park from 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Disability Awareness Awards Presentation - City Council Meeting in City Council Chambers - February 22nd at 6 p.m.

## **MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board member McInturf commented on her experience attending the Starry Night event at Veterans Oasis Park. Mrs. McInturf stated that it was an excellent event, and she had a wonderful time looking through the many telescopes provided.

Board Member McInturf also mentioned that she attended the Tumbleweed Recreation Center groundbreaking.

Madam Chair Dykstra said she would like to add the Mesquite Groves Park concept design and future process to the next board meeting as an agenda item.

Madam Chair Dykstra asked about fees and charges recommendations. Community Services Director John Sefton stated that fees and charges will be a part of the current budget process, and more information will be provided as that process progresses.

Madam Chair Dykstra mentioned that the State of the City will be held on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Sefton recognized staff member Kennedy Terrell for receiving the NRPA's 30 under 30, a nationally recognized award for top professionals under 30.

Madam Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:50 P.M.



Melanie Dykstra, Madam Chair



Erika Berry, Recreation  
Superintendent