



VENTURA COUNTY
PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES
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PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC)
REGULAR MEETING

Government Center
Hall of Administration, Atlantic Conference Room
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017

4:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
Proceedings called to order at 4:05 p.m.
 2. ROLL CALL
Commissioners: Carin Kally, Paul Nicholson

Staff: Ron Van Dyck, Pam Gallo, Michelle Samsel
 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Nicholson presides as Chair. *Minutes of the January 9, 2017 PAC meeting were approved by a motion made by Kally, seconded by Nicholson.*
 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None
 5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Saticoy Golf Course Update
Van Dyck stated that an architect was selected through the RFP process. We have worked with this vendor previously and will receive a reduced fee. PWA is the lead agency on this project. Drawings for the new clubhouse should be available soon. We hope to open the new clubhouse in mid to late 2018.
 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Soule Park Golf Course RFP
Van Dyck stated that a new vendor has been selected through the RFP process to take over operations at the golf course. They have a good track record and should do a good job. The vendor has requested a long term contract of 20 years. The Board of Supervisors will need to approve a contract of this length.
 - B. Elections
Carin Kally was elected as Chair of the PAC, Paul Nicholson will be Vice Chair. All in favor.
 7. PARK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATES
Van Dyck stated that the target date for the re-opening of Foster Park's Red Mountain campground is Memorial Day. Maintenance staff must clean up campsites, repair tables and do other prep work. There is a lot of debris in the campsites because the campground has been closed for several years.

The Soule Park water line repair is 95% finished.

Toland Park renovations are moving forward. We are working to identify campsite locations. The day use area is open to the public.

There is no additional information to report on the playground shade for the Oak View Community Center that will be donated by the Lion's Club through a grant.

We are waiting for plans from KBZ Architects for Oak Park Area 1 & Area 3 restroom upgrades. A developer will donate 70 new trees to Oak Park.

8. STAFF COMMENTS

The parks were very busy on Easter. Foster Park was at maximum capacity by 9:00 a.m. so the gates were closed to new visitors. Steckel Park was also full. People were parked on the street waiting for the park to open at 4:30 a.m. according to Sheriff's Department personnel.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Kally asks for an update on the County's smoking ordinance. Van Dyck stated that the ordinance passed and all tobacco products will be banned in all County parks, campgrounds, and community centers, excluding golf courses. Signs will be posted at all locations affected. If there is a lot of negative customer feedback due to the ban, and the Parks Department budget is impacted, we can ask the Board of Supervisors for a waiver. Staff will keep a log to monitor complaints. The ordinance will be self-policing for the most part.

Nicholson stated that he lives near Wildwood Park in Thousand Oaks. The park has become extremely popular due to social media, and the parking lot is always full. Park visitors are parking on the street in front of houses and some homeowners are upset about it. The city may put up "homeowner parking only" signs or "parking by permit only" signs.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.