



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, JULY 20, 2015

4:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
Proceedings called to order at 4:00 p.m.
 2. ROLL CALL
Commissioners: Carin Kally, Paul Nicholson, Bob Purdum, Harvey Paskowitz

Staff: Theresa Lubin, Pam Gallo, Michelle Samsel
 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Kally presides as Chair. Minutes of the April 20, 2015 PAC meeting were approved by a motion made by Nicholson, seconded by Purdum. All in favor.
 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None
 5. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Piru Light Permit Issued
Lubin stated that an amendment to the CUP for the town center is in the works. A community meeting in Piru regarding skate park use at night is needed. An item will be placed on the local park commission's September agenda.
 - B. Oak Park Trailhead Agreement to Rancho Simi Board
Lubin stated that The Rancho Simi Board approved the draft agreement. The item may need to go to the Board of Supervisors if the GSA Director cannot approve it.
 - C. Lease Negotiations for Saticoy Regional
American Golf is the current lessee and their lease expires in 2016. American Golf wants to renegotiate a new lease agreement with capitol improvements that include replacement of the clubhouse.
 6. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Budget Changes
Lubin stated that the County has a new financial management system with new account numbers and organization numbers for all departments. Staff is learning how to use the new system.
 - B. Santa Rosa Valley Trail Master Plan
Lubin stated that citizens in the Santa Rosa Valley want a trail plan for the area and have provided funding for a trail master plan. The County's Resource Management Agency is spearheading the effort. Parks Department has provided information about Santa Rosa Park and could be more involved later in the process.

7. PARK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATES

Lubin stated that the Parks Department is moving forward on projects. There are some issues with Foster Park and Soule Park. Soule Park restrooms should be open by mid August.

8. STAFF COMMENTS

Gallo stated that this is the second summer with the reduced 5 day stay on the Rincon Parkway, and we are receiving a lot of compliments from campers that could not find empty campsites previously.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Paskowitz asks who is caring for the bird aviary at Steckel Park. Lubin stated that the Parks Department is responsible for the aviary and the onsite park host helps with animal care and cleaning duties.

Kally asks about campfire complaints at Faria Beach Park. Lubin stated that the County is still receiving complaints about smoke from neighboring residents. The APCD has requested a meeting with the Parks Department to discuss matters further. Purdum commented that the houses are newer than the park, and that should be a part of the discussion. Nicholson stated that fires that are not burning hot enough create a smoky environment when wind is not present to blow the smoke away.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.