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## **Parks and Recreation Commission**

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers - 429 'C' Street

### **A G E N D A**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Public Comments and Inquires**  
*Items for Commission Consideration and Action*  
*(Commission to receive reports and give direction or take action as appropriate)*
- III. Minutes – Tuesday, September 8, 2009**
- IV. Agenda Additions**
- V. Report – Friday Night Out – Casey Padgett**
- VI. Discussion – Ron Rodriguez – Fitness Classes**
- VII. Discussion – Joey Contente – BMX Track**
- VIII. Update – Recreation Supervisor Lynne Nelson**
- IX. Commission Comments / Requests for Information**
- X. Adjourn**

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Sheila Taylor, Secretary

Lemoore Parks & Recreation Commission

**Tuesday, September 8, 2009**

**7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Keel called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commissioners: Keel, Dart, Daley, Yaeger and Director Simonson, Recreation Supervisor Nelson, and Secretary Taylor

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES:**

None.

**APPROVAL MINUTES:**

The minutes for August 11, 2009 were unanimously approved, following a motion by Commissioner Dart and a second by Commissioner Yeager.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS:**

Secretary Taylor informed the Commission that a Save Our Skate Park event would take place on September 15, 2009 at 4:00 pm. She then turned the floor over to Commissioner Yeager who explained that the event was being held to make the youth who use the park accountable for their territory. He stated we needed to encourage youngsters to do well and to make the point to the public that the skate park could be something other than a sore spot. Hot dogs and sodas are going to be given out to the kids and if Councilman Siegel is around he will be there to BBQ. Director Simonson asked Secretary Taylor to send Councilman Siegel something in writing.

**REPORT – WATER PARK IN TEMPLE TEXAS:**

Lemoore Resident Vince Romero approached the Parks and Recreation Department about putting a water park somewhere in Lemoore. He was visiting Temple Texas and was looking for something to do and was directed to Lions Junction Water Park. This is a small water park with a pavilion that can hold 450 people. There are features for all ages. The cost is minimal with adults at \$7 and children \$5. Mr. Romero was impressed with the quality of the park and the small admission fees. He felt a park like this would be perfect for Lemoore. The park would draw people from Hanford as well as Lemoore. Commissioner Dart thought it was a wonderful idea and wondered if it was centered in town. Mr. Romero stated it was a few miles from Temple. She thought of the land by the Little League Field as a possible site. Director Simonson stated that it may fit in the area on Bush and old Highway 41. That spot would be able to provide parking. Commission Yeager asked if the City of Temple ran the one in Texas and Secretary Taylor stated that they did. The one in Temple was funded through a bond measure that increased sales tax. The total cost of the project was 4.5 million which included the land. Director Simonson and Commissioner Yeager agreed that more research would have to be done.

**REPORT – EVENING UNDER THE STARS:**

Recreation Supervisor Nelson addressed the Commissioners concerning Evening Under the Stars.

This is a fund raising event for the Teen Center. She stated that Casey Padgett was currently volunteering at the Center and not being paid. The event is held downtown with the streets blocked off and it has always been a wonderful event. Director Simonson said it is one of his favorite events in Lemoore. The twinkle lights and the food from various restaurants make it an enjoyable evening. Supervisor Nelson said the Teens work the event bussing tables and serving and that they work very hard all evening. Commission Yeager was given posters to promote the event. All Commissioners were given tickets to sell. Commissioner Yeager asked 100 percent of the proceeds went to the Teen Center. Supervisor Nelson said she would verify that with Michelle McGee. Director Simonson asked to find out when the next Downtown Merchants meeting was being held so they could verify information. Director Simonson said this year's income from the event is important because funding for the Teen Center has been cut from the budget. Casey Padgett has plans to put up batting cages and start a baseball school along with other activities and this all has to be done through donations. Commissioner Yeager brought up the fact that the Teen Center is a corny name and thought that a new name needed to be proposed. He also thought there needed to be a sign up on Cinnamon Drive in front of the Corporation Yard letting people know the Recreation Center was located there. Commissioner Yeager also asked if the Center was open to everyone. Director Simonson said if adults wanted to come in and play basketball that was fine. Anyone could come in during operational hours.

#### **REPORT – CMC REC CENTER FANS**

Secretary Taylor stepped in for Ray Greenlee to update the Commissioners on the quote from Big Ass Fans. Commissioner Yeager asked if the quote included installation and also stated he had tried to contact Commissioner Harper several times over the month to get details of a report she was working on concerning the fans. Director Simonson asked if we had heard from Commissioner Harper about missing the meeting this month. Secretary Taylor stated no. He asked that his office check on her and make sure everything is okay. Commissioner Yeager stated that the Recreation Center can not be utilized successfully without cooling it in the summer. Director Simonson said wrestlers and boxers love it hot; they would like to warm it up in the winter. NJB and the Teen Center kids would appreciate that too. He also stated that we would have to become creative in order to fund the fan project. He told the commissioners he had gone to Bakersfield with Acting Police Chief Laws and other police officers to watch a PAL Boxing Exhibition. He said boxers came from all over the state and the Activity Center where it was held was full. The facility in Bakersfield was not as nice as ours, but it did have a small cool down room. If we could establish a cool down room we would be able to hold an event like this. The Activity Center in Bakersfield held about 250 people. Our Recreation Center would be able to hold more people. Commissioner Yeager asked if the current boxing instructor was involved in promotions like this. Director Simonson stated that a contract was currently being worked on with Eddie Neal, the current boxing instructor, and that promotional events were being addressed in the contract. In this contract if the City sponsors an event the proceeds would be split 60 percent to the City, 20 percent for replacement of boxing equipment and 20 percent to Rokici-E Boxing Club.

#### **REPORT – CMC SOUND SYSTEM**

Secretary Taylor told the Commissioners that three companies would have to come and quote a sound system for the Recreation Center as per City Policy. She is currently solicit ting bids. Director Simonson stated that if the opportunity arose to do this, he would want it to be done right with wireless microphones in every room and overhead speakers with sound coming directly down to a specific area. This project is not going to be cheap.

#### **REPORT – FALL PROGRAMS**

Recreation Supervisor Nelson updated the Commissioners on the Fall Programs. There is a new singing class for infants and children. Country Western Line Dancing and Ballroom Dancing is back. The Ballroom Dancing Instructor is also holding a Friday Night Dance Party at the Veterans Hall the first Friday of every month. 35 people came to the one in September. Pee Wee Soccer is going strong and has 50 participants. Flag Football has 16 teams and is having an adult league for the first time. Cheerleaders were added this year and 45 children are cheering. The Garden Club will be meeting in the Vet's Hall for a few months. In return Nateva will be teaching a class "How to Plan a Party". A Fifth and Sixth grade dance is coming up and a high attendance is expected on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Nelson is very excited about the current programs.

### **COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND REQUESTS**

Commissioner Daley asked about the Grant concerning rubber. Director Simonson said that we were approved for the grant that would allow us to put a walking track inside the Recreation Center. Commissioner Yeager asked for an update concerning negotiations with the Lemoore Youth Sports Foundation. Director Simonson stated that he was not sure if they were any closer to an agreement. The Foundation will meet again on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September. Director Simonson said he would like to see them compromise and not be stuck on the past contract. Commissioner Keel added that they forget that children who turn 18 years of age still need something to do. He told the LYSF not to exclude him when it comes to using the facility. Adults need to be recreated too. Commissioner Yeager said that it is important for the LYSF to turn in a usage schedule. The Recreation Department knows when it is available. He also stated we should be in contact with the person in charge of scheduling. Director Simonson stated that he is asking for one weekend per quarter for a Recreation Event.

**ADJOURN** - The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.