

CALAVERAS COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING MINUTES

August 19th, 2021 via Zoom

In Attendance:

Kathy Gallino
Zerrall McDaniel
Casey Jardine
Cory Fisk
Russ Thomas
Alex James

Special meeting Called to order 1:03PM by Cory Fisk

Pledge of Allegiance conducted

Announcements – None

Public Comments – None

Item #1 -- Review and approval of July 26, 2021 Minutes – postponed to regular agenda

Item #2 -- Discussion on future Commission Town Hall Meetings

- Cory summarized: too encompassing, not able to get our work done
- Discussion:
 - Zerrall likes the idea but Mondays don't work for her. Alex thinks it should be every other or every few. Casey feels like we should meet in person before we meet with everyone else and believes the town-hall meetings should be designed in such a way that allows the community ample time to speak.
- Russ moved to do Town Hall meeting to every other meeting, with the August meeting via Zoom and the following (Sept. 27th) meeting in Mt. Ranch. Zerrall 2nd, unanimous approval. (This is all dependent on the Delta Variant)
- Kathy will get a hold of Steve Downing, contact from Mt. Ranch, to inform him of moved meeting
- Russ would like to discuss different meeting time next meeting

Item #3 – Discussion on District Park & Recreation Relationship/Training Building

- Cory asked everyone to find the Calaveras Parks & Rec page and follow it, she will make each of us an admin in order to allow us to post about our respective districts and to share events
- Deferred to next meeting so Ed can join in the discussion

Item #4 – Review of Discussion & Highlights from Copperopolis Town Hall Meeting, July 26, 2021

- Russ debriefed: A lot of excited and energetic faces, we have a lot of partners that showed up. Cory has a meeting planned with Dina. Brought up the 50-acre parcel. Condor did a complete in-depth analysis that showed minimal asbestos.
- Cory believes having a separate community meeting would be beneficial. She liked the feedback from the community and the energy to keep the ball rolling
- We will work toward having more ownership over Agenda items
- Casey mentioned “mixed” meetings do not work well

Item #5 – Review Next Steps & Information Necessary for Feeney Park & Alex Q. Park Projects to submit to BOS

- Kathy provided update: new Parks Liaison let us know we can not acquire properties that serve multiple purposes, so that creates problems for RRF if the property is not donated by middle of the September
 - Possibility that the Prop 68 \$300,000 may have to be reallocated to other projects
- Been in negotiations with San Andreas Recs & Park, at an impasse with lease negotiations.
- Feeney park (Vallecito Unified) – has had a hard time getting the agreement; everything is stuck in County Council Office
- Needs to have everything to the board no later than October 1st. Needs to be in the software 3 weeks before that
- Commissioners are to go back to their communities to search for other “contingency” potential projects, so we do not lose the \$400,000 – For replacement or upgrade on County property or a public entity

Item #6 – Commissioner Announcements

- Alex: Matt and I met at Nielsen Park with the Dist. 1 Supervisor, Rotary Club and some partners. The Rotary Club would like to adopt the park. She also asked about the possibility of using our grant writing class to apply for Prop 68 funds.

Item #7 – Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:34PM by Cory Fisk

Next Regular Meeting: August 23, 2021 9AM via Zoom