



**CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 25, 2019 – 5:30 pm**

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm
2. **Roll Call** – Baird, Ybarra, and Tulley & Staff-member Susic and Council Liaison Amelio.
3. **Approval of Minutes from June 27, 2019** – Approved
4. **Approval of Agenda** - Approved
5. **Council Liaison and / or Board Member Announcements** – Council Liaison Amelio noted several items from the previous council meeting including the Beacon House presentation, the Feast of Lanterns, the sewer contract, and the Walk with Pride.
6. **Public Comments**
 - A. **Written Communications** – An email from Mr Fred Jealous about the ongoing assessment of the Pickball courts was noted.
 - B. **Oral Communications** – Steve Thomas, President of PG Pony, spoke about upcoming baseball and softball clinics at GW Park, Forest Grove, and CSUMB. He also noted that the league is aware of various issues at Arnett Park. He noted that a plan will be presented to improve drainage at the Park. He also noted the need for better parking, the improvements made by the league, and outreach that had been done.
7. **Unfinished / Ongoing Business**
 - A. **George Washington Park Sub-committee** – Discussion focused on the next steps following the sub-committee’s work to date. Susic noted the next steps would be:
 - A presentation to council would be made based on the sub-committee presentation. Staff’s likely recommendation would be for council to include GW Park funding in CIP 2021 to request services of landscape architect for a formal plan.
 - Tulley requested information on grant funding, including deadlines on application dates.
 - B. **Morris Dill Courts update** – Susic noted the following:
 - The 90-day evaluation period is now two-thirds complete. Lots of information has been gathered by staff so far.
 - The hours were shifted to Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 9 am – 6 pm
 - Staff is not able to monitor the courts every hour but someone is there every day. They are tracking hours of use and noting incidences requiring enforcement.
 - The new gate and lock have been installed.
 - The acoustical engineer’s survey is done, but the report is not yet available
 - Painting of second court is scheduled for August
8. **New Business**
 - A. **Park Maintenance Program** – Susic noted the City of Campbell’s Park Assessment plan provided by board member Gibson and asked for input. All concurred that the outline was excellent and discussed the way forward. Tulley recommended starting the assessment at GW and Caledonia while Ybarra recommended Arnett Park. Consensus seemed to settle on starting with a high-level assessment of all the city parks rather than a deeper look at fewer parks. The deeper look could be done after the initial assessment was done. Baird noted that accessibility should be the first priority. Tulley asked how Public Works would actually do the assessment- in-house, contracted, or by the Rec Board. Susic noted that he has presented the City of Campbell’s assessment to PW staff but that current workload will limit staff ability to get it done. Susic said that a scoring system developed by the board would be beneficial. Ybarra asked how do we as a community engage the neighbors of Arnett Park to increase connection? Tulley noted that the board should bring some scoring criteria to the next meeting.

It was noted that there are Grant opportunities through Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District and that they had provided funding at the Lovers Point pool and Arnett Park. Kathryn Lee and Moe Ammar would be good points of contact. Applications may be due in October.
9. **Staff Reports**
 - A. Staff report received. Susic noted some upcoming events including the Pet parade on July 26, National Night Out on August 6, and the Walk with Pride on September 21.

10. **Items for Next Agenda** – Discussion on Parks Assessment and t criteria for scoring.

11. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2019 at the Council Chamber City Hall at 300 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA. at 5:30 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Jay Tulley