



## Regional Parks

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Director

**MINUTES  
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
REGIONAL PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION  
2:30 P.M.  
Wednesday, December 9, 2020**

Held via Conference Call

1.0 **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Chair Mitchell called the meeting to order at 2:34 P.M.

2.0 **ROLL CALL:**

San Bernardino County

Commission Members Present:

Louis Gamache, Third District  
Michael Kreeger, Fourth District  
Bob Mitchell, Member-At-Large  
Steven Farrell, Member-At-Large

Staff:

Beahta Davis  
Beverly Pickens

3.0 **GUESTS/MEDIA**

Greg Stone, Pomona Valley RC Club

4.0 **MINUTES APPROVED – Wednesday, November 18, 2020**

Motion: Commissioner Gamache

Second: Commissioner Kreeger

Minutes approved

5.0 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Glen Helen Raceway - Mrs. Davis met with Glen Helen Raceway. Regional Parks and Raceway staff will be updating the map to reflect actual area of use. Mrs. Davis stated there are a couple of races that are outside of the lease area. This will be documented on the updated maps. Chairman Mitchell requested the revised map be shared with the commission when available.

6.0 **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mojave Narrows Adjacent Development – Mrs. Davis stated she spoke with Land Use Services, the land the Senior Citizen Facility will be developed on is not on park land. Commissioner Farrell stated the development is adjacent to the park and will have 150

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residences and 200 staff at the facility. Commissioner Farrell stated it will have an impact on the park. Mrs. Davis stated we would welcome their use of the park. Commissioner Farrell stated the runoff would be redirected to the wash. Mrs. Davis stated staff are reviewing the document. Commissioner Farrell stated comments are due December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Discussion was held regarding the trail at Mojave Narrows and fees received from Victorville for entrance at the trail and entrance fees paid at the park gate. Commissioner Gamache asked if the pedestrian entrance fees paid at the gate are a significant source of revenue. Mrs. Davis stated the trail has increased the number of people in the park. Commissioner Gamache requested the number of paid pedestrians through the front gate be provided to the Commission along with the number of pedestrians at the trail entrance from the last year.

7.0 **DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PARKS REPORT**

Mrs. Davis provided the following information to the Commission:

Due to the current orders campgrounds are closed for the next three weeks. The first date campgrounds could reopen is December 28<sup>th</sup> depending on orders from the Governor.

Event Update – Santa will be at Calico this Saturday and next Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in a Snow Globe. Mrs. Davis will have a picture of the snow globe sent to the commission. This is the only event going on at this time.

Trout stocking has started at the parks. Trout derbies are tentatively scheduled to start in January 2021.

The TAC and CAC meetings for the Prado Master Plan were held. A PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the plan was sent out for participants to review. The next meeting will be a combined meeting in February.

The parks are open for fishing and hiking. The playgrounds reopened today.

Commissioner Kreeger asked if the department was still housing people at Glen Helen was still going on. Mrs. Davis responded yes at least through the end of 2020.

8.0 **COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS BY TITLE FOR NEXT MEETING**

Commissioner Gamache requested the follow up on Mojave Narrows pedestrian entrance be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

9.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Stone wants to continually thank everyone for keeping our facilities open. They had their annual Toys for Tots collection this past Saturday and Sunday. They ended up with a truckload of toys as well as cash donations that are being delivered to the San

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Bernardino Children's Fund. The field flying was open but no large gathering as we have done in past years.

10.0 **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Gamache stated it has been a tough time for everyone. Thank you for the continued hard work. Looking forward to next year. Hope everyone takes time to enjoy family and holidays. Maybe we can get a fresh start with a lot of our events and reinvent the parks next year.

Commissioner Kreeger echoed Commissioner Gamache's comments. Wish everyone a very safe holiday time. Merry Christmas. Thanks for all the hard work. See you next year.

Commissioner Farrell agreed with Commissioner Gamache's and Commissioner Kreeger's comments. He asked if there was an update on the vacancies on the commission. Commissioner Farrell stated the commission was extended at the meeting yesterday. Mrs. Davis stated Commissioner Gamache was extended at the meeting yesterday and she received a call from Supervisor Rutherford regarding the vacancy in her district. Commissioner Farrell stated enjoy your holidays and stay safe.

Chairman Mitchell thanked the commission for being resilient with your duties as a commissioner. January is the election of chair and vice chair we need all members at the meeting for a quorum. Chairman Mitchell stated he feels the absent seat of Commissioner Van Winkle. Merry Christmas.

11.0 **NEXT MEETING:**

January 13, 2021

12.0 **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Gamache seconded by Commissioner Farrell.

The meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.