



Regional Parks

BEAHTA R. DAVIS
Director

**MINUTES
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
REGIONAL PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
2:30 P.M.
Wednesday, November 13, 2019**

Held at: General Services Building
Regional Parks/Airports Conference Room
777 E. Rialto Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92415

1.0 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairperson Mitchell called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

2.0 ROLL CALL:

San Bernardino County

Commission Members Present:

Robert L. Kinzel, Second District

Louis Gamache, Third District

Michael Kreeger, Fourth District

Bob Mitchell, Member-At-Large

Steven Farrell, Member-At-Large

Staff:

Beahta Davis

Beverly Pickens

Casey McPheron

Commission Members Absent:

Nicole R. Van Winkle, Fifth District

3.0 GUESTS/MEDIA

Brandon Ripley, Western Whitewater

Jeff Sorenson, Fourth District, Board of Supervisors

4.0 MINUTES APPROVED – Wednesday, October 9, 2019

Motion: Commissioner Kreeger

Second: Commissioner Farrell

Minutes approved with minor revisions.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS

Revised Tour – Annual Park Inspection – Discussion was held regarding the revised tour – annual park inspection. Commissioner Farrell stated it is hard to find a date when all members are available. Commissioner Mitchell stated are we going out to inspect the park or observe what is going on in the park. Commissioner Kreeger stated it is not the

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commissions place to inspect. We are really there to observe. Commissioner Gamache stated he prefers the high view, general appearance, attractiveness and changes from year to year not the inspection that is day to day operation that the Superintendent should be doing. Commissioner Kreeger prefers to keep it the same way we have been doing it, see what is new and what is happening at the park. Commissioner Gamache stated he would like to hear about conceptualization for future projects while visiting the parks. This would allow the commission to approach the Supervisors and inform. Chairman Mitchell stated the comments from the commissioners are well founded. He likes the format of going out to the park and having the time to evaluate what we are looking at. Commissioner Gamache stated the tour provides an appreciation for all the parks. After the discussion, Chairman Mitchell stated the commission would like to move forward continuing the tours as they have been done in the past year. Commissioner Farrell stated he didn't feel it was necessary for the commission to visit all the parks in one year. He would also like to include a meeting at one of the parks during the tour to allow the public the opportunity to meet the commission without coming to the main office. Commissioner Gamache stated he liked the term site visit better than tour.

Meeting locations were discussed. The commission agreed to no more than two meetings per year at a park location.

6.0 **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mrs. Davis distributed the draft resolution for Mrs. Wormser to the commission for review.

Mrs. Davis provided the following information to the commission:

The department is still in negotiations with Pirate Cove for Moabi.

The reverse osmosis water system is up and running at Calico.

The erosion behind the Rock Shop at Calico has been repaired and stabilized. The concessionaire is back in the shop and was operational for Calico Days.

The electrical project at Calico is complete. Shops with electrical repairs are the General Store and the Rock Shop. The final walk through for the project is scheduled for next week.

The swim entry area and snack bar projects at Yucaipa is up for approval in the first quarter. The electric project in the campground is complete.

Negotiations are in process for Lake Gregory with the new vendor.

Mrs. Davis shared a video of the Camp Switzerland area with the commission. This area will be included as part of the lease for Lake Gregory Regional Park.

Mrs. Davis distributed the Ghost Haunt report to the commission. The event went well, attendance was down a little. Traditionally attendance is down when the event is earlier in the month. The scarers were back, it was really great.

Mrs. Davis distributed the event list to the commissioners. Mrs. Davis stated we are in the process of finalizing the trout derbies. The first derby is December 14th at Cucamonga Guasti. Mrs. Davis stated the department is trying to address the algae in the lakes. The lakes are at different levels with the algae. Lake Gregory and Glen Helen are at the caution level. Prado is at the danger level. The department is waiting for the results from Yucaipa. Chairman Mitchell asked if the algae was a county issue or a state issue. Mrs. Davis responded it is a state issue.

Items Scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors 11/19/19

- Amendment to Coastal Conservancy Agreement increasing the grant amount for SART Phase III.
- Amendment to KTUA Agreement for the Prado Master Plan extending the date.

Items Scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors 12/10/19

- Revision to Regional Parks Advisory Commission Guidelines.

Items Scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors 12/17/19

- Regional Parks Real Estate Activity Report.
- Interim Use Permit for Spartan for race at Prado
- Interim Use Permit for Battle for the Ring at Prado

Chairman Mitchell reminded the commission that elections for the chair and vice chair are held at the January meeting.

Commissioner Kreeger stated he will not be at the February meeting. Commissioner Gamache stated he will not be at the February meeting.

7.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

None

8.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Sorenson stated there was an article in the Chino Champion where Beahta was interviewed at the park. The article mentioned this meeting. It is nice the newspaper is interested in parks. The Friends of Regional Parks (FOR Parks) meeting is tonight at 5:15. Mrs. Davis thanked FOR Parks for their partnership. FOR Parks is in the process of restoring wagons at Calico. Commissioner Kreeger requested to be reminded when FOR Parks has fundraisers.

9.0 **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Kreeger stated he was happy to be here.

Commissioner Kinzel stated LGIC received a presentation about the new concessionaire for Lake Gregory. Mrs. Davis responded we are currently in negotiations.

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Chairman Mitchell stated the Sun had a front page article about Beahta, the article was outstanding. It was a follow-up to the Grand Jury report.

The meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.