



Regional Parks

BEAHTA R. DAVIS

Director

**MINUTES
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
REGIONAL PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION
2:30 P.M.
Wednesday, July 12, 2023**

1.0 **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**
Chair Gamache called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

2.0 **ROLL CALL:**

Commission Members Present:

Thurston Smith, First District
Louis Gamache, Third District
Michael Kreeger, Fourth District
Patty Espinoza, Fifth District
Bob Mitchell, Member-At-Large
Anahi Perez, Second District
Steven Ferrell

Staff:

Beahta Davis
Heather Placencia

3.0 **GUESTS/MEDIA**
None

4.0 **REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 14, 2023**

Motion: Commissioner Kreeger
Second: Commissioner Mitchell
Abstained: Commissioner Perez
Minutes approved

5.0 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
TRAILS:

Chair Gamache will follow up regarding the trail art that was discussed at the prior Advisory Commission meeting.

Mrs. Davis presented photographs of the installed signage on the Santa Ana River Trail and the Cucamonga Trail. Coastal Conservancy will also be donating signs for the Santa Ana River Trail. Educational signage for other Regional Park trails are still being developed. Commissioner Mitchell requested for Victoria Jones to receive the signage photographs presented to the Advisory Commission. Mrs. Placencia will forward the information to Mrs. Jones.

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Chair Gamache stated he would like to hear more about the trails that are inside of the Regional Parks. Regional Parks is finalizing the agreement with a college, which will allow the Fall semester students to conduct trails surveys.

DATES FOR SITE VISITS

The Grand Jury made previous recommendations for the Advisory Commission to conduct remote Commission meetings.

Commissioner Mitchell proposed Lake Gregory Regional Park for the September 13, 2023 meeting. It was agreed by the Commission that the site visit will begin at 11:00 a.m. on September 13, 2023 at Lake Gregory Regional Park and the Commission meeting will commence at 2:30 p.m. in the Lodge.

Commissioner Mitchell proposed Calico Ghost Town Regional Park for the November 8, 2023. It was agreed by the Commission that the site visit will begin at 11:00 a.m. on November 8, 2023 at Calico Ghost Town Regional Park and the Commission meeting will commence at 2:30 p.m.

6.0 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PARKS REPORT

Mrs. Davis reported that the lake at Lake Gregory Regional Park was closed as a precautionary measure. The lake has been tested daily since July 5th and the results have been good.

Mrs. Davis stated the second interviews for the Deputy Director and Assistant Superintendents are scheduled, as well as the interviews for the Recreation Coordinator and Recreation Aide. There are also ongoing interviews for General Service Workers and seasonal employees.

Mrs. Davis stated the pools have been doing very well. The Summer Program flyer was presented to the Advisory Commission. Some of the Movies in the Park have been rescheduled for weekends in August. There are some additional Pop-Up events that will be posted Thursdays on social media.

Chair Gamache started a discussion regarding online credit card payments for Regional Parks. Mrs. Davis stated Regional Parks is currently working with the Information and Technology Department to investigate improved ways to accept credit card payments and improve our current workflow system.

Commissioner Mitchell inquired about the closure notifications on the websites. Mrs. Davis explained that the notifications are usually instant and will work with our Communications Specialist to ensure that they are posted timely on our website.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

8.0 COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS BY TITLE FOR NEXT MEETING

Continue Trails Discussion

9.0 **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Mitchell stated the person he recommended to apply to be a lifeguard is now a lifeguard at Yucaipa Regional Park.

Chair Gamache stated there is a national lifeguard shortage and thanked Commissioner Mitchell for locating one more lifeguard.

Commissioner Farrell stated it was a good holiday weekend.

Commissioner Smith stated he has a tour scheduled with Mrs. Davis at Mojave Narrows Regional Park.

Chair Gamache thanked everyone for their participation.

10.0 **NEXT MEETING:**
August 9, 2023

11.0 **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Smith seconded by Commissioner Perez.
Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:13 P.M.