

CITY OF UKIAH
PARKS, RECREATION AND GOLF COMMISSION MINUTES
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Ukiah, CA 95482
July 21st 2020
5:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

The Parks, Recreation and Golf Commission met at Meeting Date of July 21, 2020 having been legally noticed on July 17, 2020. Jake Burgess called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Roll was taken with the following **Commissioners Present:** Susan Knopf, Vicki Bitonti-Brown, Henry Sadowski and Roger Vincent **Commissioners Not Present:** Faye Hefte **Staff Present:** Jake Burgess, Recreation Supervisor

2. INTRODUCTIONS

None

3. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None received.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Motion/Second: Vincent/Knopf moved to approve Minutes of June 16, 2020. Motion carried by the following roll call votes: AYES: Sadowski, Knopf, Bitonti-Brown. NOES: None. ABSENT: Hefte ABSTAIN: None.

5. AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

a. Bitonti-Brown has been in contact with the muralist, Lauren Sinnott, who is working on the historical mural on Church Street and stated that she will be wrapping up on the project in the next couple of months.

b. Knopf gave thanks to the Recreation Dept. for making it possible to partake in the Senior Therapeutic Water Exercise Class despite troubles with RecDesk.com.

c. Vincent updated the commission on the progress of the Golf Course/Club. Some maintenance was performed to fix water leaks. Overall, the public is happy to have access to Golf Course.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Community Services Staff Reports

a. Community Services Department staff reports

• **Events**

Burgess talked about how our regular events, such as Pumpkinfest cannot occur this fall due to the progression of Covid-19 and the County's Health orders. He is hopeful that certain events within Pumpkinfest such as The Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off can happen with social distancing guidelines put in place.

Parks

-Burgess gave an update on how the parks are open with certain guidelines put in place such as closure of benches, tables and play areas

-Burgess talked about the Ukiah Sports Complex and how it is still closed to the public. Parks crew checks often to make sure things are in place and nothing is going wrong.

-Knopf asked about the plan to eliminate overhead electrical lines in Todd Grove Park and Burgess let the commission know that they are doing so to ensure that the electricity access is as updated and useful as possible for events once they get started again.

-Burgess updated the commission on the Purple Pipes Project and how it is moving along quickly.

- **Golf**

No Updates

- **Building Maintenance**

No Updates

- **Museum**

Burgess talked about how the museum is still under closure due to Covid-19. The roofing project is still being discussed and finding more ways to fund the project are in the works.

- **Recreation Programs**

-Burgess talked about how Summer Safari Daycamp and Swim lessons continue to be successful. He talked about how the directors and counselors are coming up with safe activities for the kids to make camp seem as normal as possible.

-Burgess gave a brief update on how the Recreation Department is figuring out how to provide an integrated program for parents to send their children too in result of the School Districts decision to practice distance learning.

-Burgess touched on how the small classes of ten participants with two instructors are doing a great job at being controlled and stable per County's health orders as well as providing kids with a distraction from the current Pandemic.

- **Property Management**

No updates

- **Financial Matters**

-Burgess talked about staffing loss in all of the Community Services Departments due to lack of events and finances.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- b. Knopf talked about how the rail trail committee is searching for grants to finish off the last "leg" of trail.

9. CLOSED SESSION

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

Knopf made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 pm Bitonti-Brown Seconds

Park, Recreation and Golf Commission July 21st, 2020 Continued:

Mikki Taylor, Receptionist/Clerk