

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in a regular session at the Parks and Recreation office at 708 W Baseline, Building 4, Mesa, on January 8, 2020.

Members Present:

Claud Cluff
Kimberly Forest
Cindy Hayton
Nycole Leyba
Brent Maldonado
Jo Martin
Orchidia Peterson

Staff Present:

Marc Heirshberg
Dyan Seaburg
Aimee Manis
Amelia Romney
Tammy Davenport
Jo Donovan
Maigon Hudson

Members Absent:

Matthew Erickson
Jaime Glasser
Jacob Martinez

The meeting was called to order at 5:0 p.m. by Jo Martin, Chair.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Martin, Chair, asked if there was a motion for approval of the minutes from the November 13, 2019 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting. Nycole Leyba made a motion, Orchidia Peterson seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Cluff – Forest – Hayton – Leyba – Maldonado – Martin – Peterson

NAYS – None

Ms. Martin, Chair asked for acknowledgement receipt of the minutes from December 5, 2019 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Fees and Charges Subcommittee. Orchidia Peterson made a motion, Cindy Hayton seconded, and it was unanimously carried to acknowledge receipt of the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Cluff – Forest – Hayton – Leyba – Maldonado – Martin – Peterson

NAYS – None

Public Comments: None

Open public hearing on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2019/2020 and FY2020/2021

Ms. Martin opened the hearing at 5:09 p.m.

Presentation of Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2019/20 and FY2020/2021

The Board was given the Board Report along with the Schedules of Fees and Charges highlighting the fee changes, Mr. Heirshberg shared that a sub-committee meeting had been held on December 5, 2019 and those Committee members were asked to review the Fees and Charges in detail. Mr. Heirshberg explained that all Parks and Recreations fees are in ranges, so when the fees are adjusted as long as they remain within the range then it is not necessary to take them to Council for approval. Fees and Charges go into effect April 1st of each year, so they coincide with our Summer Registration cycle. A power point presentation was presented to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Close public hearing on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2019/20 and FY2020/2021

Ms. Martin closed the discussion at 5:26 p.m. with no public comments.

Make recommendation and take action on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2019/20 and FY2020/2021

Ms. Leyba made a motion, Mr. Brent Maldonado seconded, and it was unanimously carried that the Board recommend that the Fees and Charges Schedule be sent to the City Council for approval.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Crider – Erickson – Forest – Glasser – Leyba – Martin – Martinez – Murdock

NAYS – None

Director's Comments

Mr. Heirshberg congratulated Aimee Manis on her promotion to Recreation Coordinator and introduced the Amelia Romney, the new Management Assistant II, Ms. Romney previously worked in the Office of Budget Management and has been with the City of Mesa for a year and a half.

Mr. Heirshberg then gave a Project Update:

- Signal Butte Park: Grand Opening will be on Saturday, January 18th at 9:00 a.m. due to the recent rainy weather there is still standing water in some of the retention areas. Mr. Heirshberg stated that over this past week there had been over 600 playground equipment sales staff and 400 playground installers visiting Signal Butte Park and Pioneer Park checking out the new installed playgrounds.
- North Center Street: Archeological remains have been found on the site and so studies are currently being completed to determine the next steps in construction. Design process is moving forward and once a plan is in place, then construction documents will move forward and then a Public Meeting will be held.
- Red Mountain Park Expansion: An architect design firm has been chosen and just awaiting contract documents to move forward.

Reports on meetings and/or events attended by Board Members

Orchidia Peterson: Attended Breakfast with Santa and Merry Main Street.

Brent Maldonado: Attended the Eastmark Phase 4 Grand Opening.

Claud Cluff: Attended the Eagles Ribbon cutting.

Cindy Hayton: Attended the Eastmark Phase 4 Grand Opening.

Nycole Leyba: Attended the Eagles Park ribbon cutting and Merry Main Street. She also visited Dobson Ranch Golf Course and was happy with the new management company customer service. Ms. Leyba also reminded the Board that January 17th is Mesa Running Day and encouraged the Board to spend some time outside running on that day.

Jo Martin: Has been visiting several parks throughout the City: Kleinman, Guerrero-Rotary and Fountain Plaza.

Ms. Martin asked if there were any other items for discussion; the Board had no additional comments or discussion. Ms. Leyba made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Peterson seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

AYES – Cluff – Forest – Hayton – Leyba – Maldonado – Martin – Peterson

NAYS – None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Heirshberg, CPRE
PRCF Department Director