

**CITY OF LATHROP
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022
6:00P.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
390 TOWNE CENTRE DRIVE
LATHROP, CALIFORNIA 95330**

MINUTES

1. PRELIMINARY

- 1.1 CALL TO ORDER – Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Sandhu called the meeting to order at 6:02p.m.
- 1.2 ROLL CALL Present: Chair Sandhu, Vice-Chair Datoc
Commissioners Zien, Smith

Absent: Commissioner Hopping
- 1.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chair Sandhu led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 1.4 ANNOUNCEMENT(S) BY CHAIR OR DIRECTOR - None

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 PARKS, RECREATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES UPDATE

Parks, Recreation, and Maintenance Services Director Todd Sebastian reported the following update:

- *Department Staff Overview*
Announced that former Director Zach Jones has recently retired and that Todd Sebastian is the new Director of Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Services. There are three Manager positions that have been added to the Department. Melissa Stathakopoulos is the new Recreation Manager and that they are currently in the recruiting process for a Parks and Facilities Manager and a Streets and Maintenance Operations Manager.
- *Activity Fee Assistance Fund*
Gave an overview on the City of Lathrop Activity Fee Assistance Fund that helps qualifying Lathrop residents pay for registration fees for classes, programs and special events.
- *Special Events*
Gave an overview on past April events including “Donuts with the Bunny” which was on April 9, 2022 with over 40 families

participating, and the Earth Day Recycling Event on April 23, 2022. Upcoming events include "Mayor's Art Show & Sale" on May 13, 2022, The "Community Garage Sale" on May 14, 2022, the "Memorial Day Ceremony" on May 30, 2022, "Movies in the Park" Friday nights in June, and "Concerts in the Park" Friday nights in July.

- *Seniors*
Gave an overview on past and upcoming senior special events: "Mother's Day Luncheon" on May 6, 2022 and the "3rd Annual Senior Shuffleboard Tournament" on May 20, 2022. Recurring programs include Drumming 360, Tai Chi, Book Club and more. The food distribution programs occur on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month and the 3rd Thursday of every month. Senior lunch program is weekdays at 11:30a.m.
- *Youth Programs*
Gave an overview on upcoming camp programs: "Camp Lathrop" for grades K-6th, "Future Leaders Camp" for grades 7th- 10th, and Specialty Camps including skateboarding, Slimetopia, and sports are open for registration.
- *Teen Programs*
Gave an overview on upcoming events and programs: "End of the Year Party" on May 27, 2022 for grades 7th-12th; and the "Summer at the Grind" Saturdays in June and July for grades 7th-9th.
- *Leisure Programs*
Gave an overview on current leisure programs: Youth Gymnastics, Youth Tennis Camps, Youth Football Training, Youth Karate Classes, Adult Self Defense, Adult Yoga, Adult Zumba, Dog Obedience and Paint Nights.
- *Sports*
Gave an overview on upcoming sports programs: Youth Soccer, Teen Hoop, Junior Giants Baseball and Softball, Adult Men's and Women's Basketball Leagues.
- *Parks and Facilities*
Gave an overview on various Parks and Facilities duties: maintenance of 25 parks, playgrounds, splash pads, fitness equipment, irrigation, park booster pumps and more. Facility responsibilities include the maintenance of City Hall, Senior Center, Community Center, Generations Center and the new Police Department. This includes paint, flooring, plumbing, safety requirements and more. The City has a Tree Inventory Program in which all City-owned trees are GPS documented and allows for the tracking of the tree's health and maintenance.

- *Maintenance Services*
Gave an overview on various Maintenance Services duties including weed abatement, graffiti removal, streetlights, sidewalks, traffic signage and storm preparedness.
- *Waste and Recycling*
Gave an overview of updated waste and recycling programs such as: bulk trash pick-up is now scheduled by the resident up to two times per year with Republic Services. New City Ordinance SB1383 requires residents and businesses to recycle organic waste. A letter was sent out from Republic Services notifying residents of the new Ordinance. Senior citizens are eligible to receive a 24% discount in monthly service fees from Republic Services.
- *Department Goals*
Gave an overview of the Department's goals: multigenerational community center, lighted sports field complex, expansion of fitness classes, adding multicultural events and activities, a turf management plan and to continue to invest in the park standards.
- *Commission Meetings*
The Parks and Recreation Commission will meet minimally on a quarterly basis: February, May, August and November.

3. CITIZEN'S FORUM - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the Chair, Co-Chair, or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

4.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING ON AUGUST 5, 2021

On a motion made by Chair Sandhu, seconded by Commissioner Zien, the Parks and Recreation Commission accepted the August 5, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion Passed 4-0.

Ayes: Sandhu, Datoc, Zien, Smith
 Noes: None
 Absent: Hopping
 Abstain: None

4.2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 3, 2022

This item will be postponed until the next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission due to a lack of quorum on this item. Chair Sandhu and Vice-Chair Datoc did not attend the Commission Meeting on February 3, 2022.

5. **SCHEDULED ITEMS** - None
6. **COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS** - None
7. **ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business, Chair Sandhu adjourned the meeting at 6:54p.m.



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