

Westside Community Park
~ May 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes ~

1. Call to Order: Dennis called the meeting to order at 6:03PM

Board Members Present: Dennis Rollins, Carol Thorn, Jaxan Christensen, Carol Maxwell, Paul Malley and Jonathan Thorn

Board Members Absent: Harold Taylor

Guests: Wilda Shock, Walt Christensen, Wayne Yahnke, Merrie Fauchild and Cindy Forbes

2. Approval of Minutes of April 4, 2018: Dennis presented the April minutes for approval. Carol M moved and Paul seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

3. Treasurers Report -

Carol Thorn presented her Treasurer Report, attached. Balance on hand as of 4/30/2018 is \$39,254.25 which includes \$805.31 for the equestrian fund. The CD balance is \$5,019.64. Jaxan moved and Carol M seconded to accept the report. Motion passed. Carol M moved that the money spent on the Equestrian site banner be taken from the general fund rather than from the equestrian fund. All approved. Carol T will make the adjustment.

4. Maintenance -

Richard is in Florida and had done extensive mowing before he left. Dennis has contacted ABC Plumbing to repair drinking fountain issues. Dennis also reported that there seems to be a reduction in puncture vine on the baseball fields. Merrie has kept up with the mowing and says Richard may have done some spraying before he left. Dennis also has done some spraying, and, the City has as well. The Hustler mower broke down when mowing the dog park. Dennis let Doug know that we are buying a new mower, but, it will not be here until May. We are hoping the City can help with mowing until then. Dennis has purchased 20 bags of weed and feed to be applied next week. Merrie asked if anyone might be willing to help with weeding.

5. Old Business:

A. Equestrian Center - Carol M had received a grant application from the USA Equestrian Team and we discussed information required by the application. We reviewed costs for footing, engineering, and design ideas. All agreed begin gathering more information for a budget and other information they need and be prepared to submit the application next year. Other funding options were also discussed. The 'future home' sign was discussed. Dennis will get a sheet of plywood to support the sign. Walt will paint the plywood. He and Dennis will install it at the site.

B. Beach Oasis - Carol T discussed the quality of sand at Hidden Valley Golf Course, and sand available from the Oroville/Chico quarry. Jonathan was given information on how and where to inspect the sand and get further information on sand that may be available, and costs. He said funding options will expand when the sport is endorsed by the US Olympic Committee.

C. Snack Bar Construction - Wayne has received approval to install a sump at the site in lieu of connecting to the City sewer. A map of the area shows that the city sewer is not near the proposed snack bar site as previously thought and too far to make a connection. Volunteers are ready to help put in the foundation. It was reported that the causeway behind the fields is receiving more traffic than allowed. Ideas were discussed on how to limit the use. Paul expressed the need for a handicap access. There was consideration to use compacted grindings in the area for handicap access. He has lined up volunteers to help with needs. Concession profits were discussed.

D. Memorial Day Fun Run/Walk - There was discussion about distribution of the posters, staffing for the morning, flaggers on the road, safety signs and waters. Posters and entry forms were passed out.

D. Funding for Jane Barnes Field parking lot - Dennis reported that Ross Welch from the Small Business Lending Center has more contacts and opportunities for funding. Mr. Welch was impressed by the amount of development already in place. The \$350,000 estimate for parking lot improvement from a few years ago did not include handicap requirements.

E. Grillin' on the Green - Wilda reported that the sponsor letter is going out this month. The Keeling/Barnes Family Foundation will offer matching funds donation up to \$3,000. The donation of wine and logistics of tables and tents discussed. And the grillers are being contacted.

6. New Business:

A. Lake County Theater Company Proposal - *This report was given following 'Maintenance' to allow Cindy Forbes and early departure from the meeting.* The Lake County Theater Company is looking to build their own theater. Having their own theater building would be financially beneficial, not having to rent a facility for their productions. It would also provide them with a place to make and store props, provide workshops and have more performances. They have saved \$75,000 for the project. They are looking for a minimum 2 acre space to construct a 3,000 s.f. metal building with open space for movable stages and seating and still provide storage. They partner with the local high schools and other organizations for many of their productions. The committee discussed many options that might be available, use of land or lease options, location within the park and ownership of the building. It was agreed that performances, workshops for youth and other aspects of the project could be a very positive draw to the park. There was a question if they had considered any kind of outdoor amphitheater in the future. Parking was discussed and agreed some of the options for a location were near parking that is already planned. It was discussed and all agreed this kind of venue could offer a positive draw from the public and

expand our presence in the community. Carol M moved and Carol T seconded a motion to encourage the Lake County Theater Company to proceed with their proposal and report back to our committee. Dennis will refer to the Parks & Recreation Committee through Doug Grider.

B. Workers Compensation Insurance - Dennis reported that the annual premium for our Worker's Comp Insurance is \$1,088 for this year. Jaxan moved and Carol M seconded to approve the expense and pay the bill. Approved.

C. Parking on the Walking Trail - Dennis had a conversation with Doug concerning the walking trail behind the baseball diamond. They are looking at blocking the trail. People are taking advantage of access, driving on the walking trail and doing damage. The City is considering locking the ballards and putting in additional concrete blocks. Dennis will contact the Little League.

7. Other items of interest:

- Gary said the commemorative bricks will be installed in 2-3 weeks
- Pump track fencing - Money had been received to purchase materials to install the fencing, but, nothing has been done. Dennis asked Beth Havrilla to take this project on through the Rotary. They have volunteers to put the fencing in place.
- Dennis said maintenance of the pump track is difficult with weeds overgrown and a large population of squirrels burrowing into the track. Different methods of squirrel management was discussed. Trapping and releasing was discussed as squirrels evidently keep the snake population in check.
- Entry sign landscaping and planting is complete. The Trowel and Trellis Club did a great job with the new landscaping and arranging a donation of irrigation. It looks great!

8. Around the Table:

- Replacing our weed eater was discussed. A better price was found at a discount. It is heavy duty commercial grade.
- Wayne requested \$600 to help with costs to build the snack shack. There was further discussion about any protocol that may be in place concerning this kind of request.

Next Meeting: June 6, 2018 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 8:05p.m.