

**CITY OF BUENA PARK
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
April 15, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Kato called the meeting of the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 6:34 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Deterding, Kato, Weinstock, Beger, Kim, Siebert, Hoque

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Box, Director of Community Services
Dale Kurata, Community Services Supervisor
Sylvia Gonzales, Senior Administrative Assistant
Michelle Van Sickle, Senior Community Services Coordinator
Randy Franklin, Community Services Coordinator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Siebert.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 18, 2021 - Regular Meeting

*** *M/S/P* – Commissioner Weinstock made a motion to approve and Commissioner Siebert seconds the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion passed.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/STAFF REPORT/CITY UPDATE:

Jim Box thanked the Commissioners for their volunteer work at the Spring Egg Event. It was a huge success. City Council has commented on how active the Commissioners are at our events. Mr. Box updated the Commissioners on the St. Jude COVID vaccine site that is being held at the Community Center every Monday until July from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. It is by appointment only, registration is through the myturn website. Mr. Box updated the Commissioners on the upcoming events taking place in May starting with our Memorial Day event, which is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 31st at 10:00 am. It will be held at Ehlers Event Center this year instead of Bellis Park. The Community Gardens meeting for our master plan will be held on May 8th at 10:00 am. The Rick Gomez Park Groundbreaking event is scheduled for Saturday, May 22nd at 10:00 am. Any Commissioners who wish to attend are asked to park at the Community Center and they will be shuttled to the event. Lastly, at the city council meeting last night, city council approved a new homeless outreach program that will be a part of the Community Services Department.

Mr. Kurata updated the Commission on Buena Park Little League who has now begun to practice. Crescent Little League is sharing the facility as well. Girls Softball is also practicing. Adult Softball will begin May 3rd. We are currently working with Public Works on the Images Park fitness equipment. There will be a community meeting next Wednesday at Images Park hosted by Buena Park Police, on safety at the park. We are currently running the middle and high school art show in Council Chambers until May 25th. The next show will be a photography show.

Randy Franklin recapped SpringEgg and thanked the Commissioners for helping. There was a thousand cars that came through. The gym is opening up this Monday for youth organized basketball and volleyball. Little Stars is on Saturdays. The pool is now open for swim lessons and will run through summer.

Michelle Van Sickle updated the commissioners on the current tennis instructor. Summer camp will be moving to Boisseranc Park. The maximum will be 50 children and the cost will be \$75.00. Summer camp and park will begin June 7th and run until August 13th. P-Nut baseball is set to begin on April 24th with skills testing. Teams will start in May and the first games will be in June. Due to Ms. Karen not teaching Tiny Tots just yet due to COVID, the Community Center is offering a Tiny Tots program beginning April 13th from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. The cost is \$75.00. We have seven children currently registered. We will continue to run this program until Ms. Karen is ready to come back.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Memorial Grove Selection Discussion – Presented by Michelle Van Sickle
Per the Commission's request, at next month's meeting they would like to select one of the following: Norma Walker, Ruth Walp, or Jim Dow. The Commission eliminated Jerry McGlasson and Ivan Davilla from the eligibility list.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. News Releases, Department Flyers, Etc.

6. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Commissioner Weinstock would like to agendize and discuss a cross country event for next year. Commissioner Kim updated the other Commissioners on the international tree meeting that was held before the Commission meeting tonight. Commissioner Siebert inquired about calls for service at the park. Chair Kato would like to call in for the next commission meeting, due to being out of town.

7. ATTENDANCE:

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS:


- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Regular Commission Meeting: Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Vice Chair Hoque adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

ATTEST:



Sylvia Gonzales, Recording Secretary



Gail Kato, Chair

Lamiya Hoque for chair Kato