

**PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA  
CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
RANCHO BERNARDO COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUP**

**Wednesday, January 19, 2022**

**7:00pm  
MINUTES**

Due to precautions related to the present concerns related to COVID-19,  
This meeting was conducted via Zoom

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CALL TO ORDER President Robin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Members in attendance: Robin Kaufman, Kelly Batten, Katie Newbanks, Sally Grigoriev, Dani Antique, Trevor Christensen, Debbie Meyer. A quorum was met. Staff in attendance: Eric McDonald. Guests included: Patrick Batten, Andy Kutzer, Christin Strileckis, Justin Causey, Camie, Faye Wilkenson, Ayush Jaiswal and his mother.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – December 2021: Motion made Katie Newbanks/Debbie Meyer to accept the minutes as presented. Motion approved 5-0-1 with Kelly Batten abstaining.

TREASURERS REPORT – Ms. Grigoriev: staff has not been able to provide us with our funding information.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS: Debbie Meyer mentioned the draining issues. Staff has been addressing the issue the last two months.

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES – None

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – Ms. Kaufman.

- Posting/publicizing of the agendas and minutes is the sole responsibility of City staff.
- Similarly, the daily maintenance of the park, including the fields, the comfort stations (bathrooms), the recreation center and the off leash dog park, is and has always been, the responsibility of city staff.
- Like all the other community recreation groups, we have been most fortunate since the inception of our organization to have a diverse representation of the various user groups who utilize the park. It is important to have such diversity on our board in order to properly represent everyone and to assure that matters impacting all users are being addressed by us. If there is a long term project, such as the grant for the off leash project, an ad hoc committee is formed which includes non-recreation group members.
- Lawn bowling: staff is putting together an RFP (request for proposal) with DREAM (Department of Real Estate and Airport Management) for a 10 year lease of the facility. Anticipation is that it will go out in March/April. As I understand, the soccer club has complied with all requests from

the City and has submitted 4 proposals over the years. -Kelly and I met with County Supervisor Joel Anderson last week. He is Rancho Bernardo's new county supervisor.

## CITY STAFF REPORT –

Becky Lowndes –Area Manager: Eric McDonald read the following as Becky was not present:

-Lawn Bowling: The City is currently working on drafting a Request For Proposal (RFP), which will define the scope and parameters of the new tenants. Members from D.R.E.A.M., which stands for Department of Real Estate and Airport Management, came on site to take measurements, pictures, and inspect all areas previously occupied by the Lake Hodges Lawn Bowling Club. D.R.E.A.M. will work with the Parks and Recreation Department to draft the RFP based on current conditions, organizational expectations, and various rules and policies that apply to other Special Use Permit Holders and Lease Holders. Information is still being collected for this project so I don't have a timeline on when the RFP will be complete or when it will go out to bid.

-Fields: The fields are still closed through the rest of January, please coordinate with Eric and Tonya regarding field reservations beginning in February.

-Dog Park: Additional dirt was delivered to start to fill in the holes and eroded areas; Aztec is continuing to address these issues during their scheduled maintenance periods. The over irrigation along the tree line at the top of the hill has been addressed which should help prevent future erosion down the slope. I'm working with Aztec to address the leaking irrigation head in the middle of the large dog pen. Barriers were installed on the lower section of the Entry Gates to the Small and Multi-Size Dog Pens to prevent small dogs from escaping. There have been no updates regarding the Grant for the Dog Park; as soon as information is available, it will be shared.

Eric McDonald - Recreation Center Director: The City has mandated 60 hour work week at the center with less staff than previously available. Indoor roller skating will be offered. People will need to supply their own skates for indoor use, not outdoor use. Fields are in good shape.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Community Parks I Area Committee** – Ms. Kaufman cancelled

**Community Council** – Ms. Kaufman : SDG&E representative gave an update on the final process of the SDG&E pipeline work along Pomerado Rd. It should be completed by the end of February, but most likely the end of March. It was agreed to collect new/gently used sports equipment to be given to one of the rec centers in need of such equipment. The Community Council did this a few years ago, successfully collecting a full large carload of equipment. A presentation was giving on the new redistricting. RB will now have Joel Anderson, District 2 County Supervisor. We have always been in District 2. All other levels of government representatives have stayed the same. 12<sup>th</sup> annual sidewalk chalk art event was approved.

**Planning Board** – Ms. Kaufman: the board voted on the location of a proposed cellular antenna; it discussed the proposed revisions to Council Policy 600-24 (policy which oversees planning groups). Any final changes to this policy will

directly impact how community recreation groups will function. It reviewed proposed amendments to cannabis outlet ordinance.

**Ed Brown Senior Center** – Tim Rohane, President. Was not present. Robin Kaufman provided information that she was aware of. They held an indoor New Year celebration on January 2. One week later, they announced that they were canceling the tea dance for that week due to concerns of COVID. However, they are still offering in person activities and lunches.

**Rancho Bernardo Tennis Club- Scott Davis** – Scott reported to Robin Kaufman that there have been no changes from last year. Doing very well, with a waiting list for members.

**Dog Park** – Ms. Kaufman – dirt was brought in to fill the holes. Garbage can issues and irrigation issues have been addressed. A reminder that everyone is welcome in any of the pens. People should not be making it an unenjoyable experience for anyone, whether they are familiar with the individuals or not. Also, we have fields sectioned off with orange fencing and or have signs on them indicating they are closed for reseeding. We do this to reseed the area and rest the fields. Dogs running around those areas cause costly damage. Finally, I found a dead rabbit at the far end of the all dog pen while cleaning up poop Monday morning. It appeared to have not acted wisely by being in the pen while dogs were in it. As of now, the City, which is in charge of the grant for the off leash dog park, has no updates on the process. Once there is more information, it will of course be shared and an ad hoc meeting will be scheduled.

**Youth Sports** – Andy Kruzner mentioned little league opening day will be March 5. Most games will be at the Swim and Tennis club fields. They would like to have a volunteer field clean up day. They have 250 kids registered at this time.

## ACTION ITEMS

**101. Ayush Jaiswal to Present Proposed Project:** Robin Kaufman was informed that due to the timing with the City, Ian Park had to pull out of making the free ball libraries by the off-leash dog park. Ayush expressed interest in taking over the project. Ayush gave a powerpoint presentation which including that he obtained financial support through connections Robin Kaufman made for him with the Rotary Club, exact dimensions and even photos of the material. Motion made Robin Kaufman/Kelly Batten to approve the project with the stipulation that Ayush would work with staff and various departments to complete the project. Motion passed unanimously.

**102. Trevor Christensen Update:** Motion made Dani Antique/Sally Grigoriev to accept Trevor Christensen to fill the vacancy on the Board. Motion passed unanimously.

**103. Movies in the Park:** The Board will review and approve movies for this summer. After some discussion on the options, motion made Kelly Batten/Trevor Christensen to pick the following:

The Aris Cats

102 Dalmations

-A Wrinkle in Time

Motion passed unanimously.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

**201. Presentation of Project #695697, AT&T Rancho Bernardo Community Park:** Christin Strileckis, Justin Causey gave a powerpoint presentation on AT&T's application for a neighborhood use permit for continued use at the community park. No structural changes will take place to the utility area or antennas. Updating equipment will take place. The project will take place sometime in May or June and last one to two weeks.

**202. Update on lawn bowling property:** Previously mentioned in Robin Kaufman's report and Becky Lowndes' report.

WORKSHOP – none.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made Dani Antique/Kelly Batten to adjourn at 7:43 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, March 17, 2022  
Rancho Bernardo Recreation Center  
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