

COUNTY OF YOLO

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PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRWAC)

DRAFT Summary of Minutes

May 11, 2015

Members in Attendance: Jennifer Henning, Andrew Fulks, Rodney Higgins, Patrick Reynolds,

Catherine Portman

Members Absent: Jack Young, Kent Lang, Nancy Ullrey, Trini Campbell

County Staff in Attendance: Deputy County Administrator, Mindi Nunes

Administrative Services Analyst, General Services, Laura Liddicoet

Financial Administrative Officer, Tonia Montiero

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fulks called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Motion: Henning. Second: Reynolds. Ayes: ALL

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The April 13, 2015 minutes were adopted as presented. *Motion: Henning. Second: Reynolds. Ayes: ALL*

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.1 <u>Advisory Members appointments/reappointments/resignations:</u> A vacancy on the Advisory Committee remains for District one.
- 5.2 <u>Railway Relocation Project:</u> Yolo County Intergovernmental Relations Manager Cindy Tuttle presented on the proposed railway relocation project. Handouts provided during the meeting are attached to these minutes. The committee brought up their desire to see a bike path connecting the cities of Davis and Woodland. Staff reports that the City of Woodland would need to complete its feasibility study before something such as a pathway can be actively discussed, perhaps in the next one-to-two years.
- 5.3 Parks Study Update/Sub-committee member selection: Parks working group staff reported that the County has entered into contract with a consultant to complete three usage studies between May of this year and February of 2016. The first collection period was this past weekend (May 8-10) at the Knights Landing, Elkhorn and Clarksburg boat launches. They will be back in the area over Memorial Day weekend collecting further data. Working group staff also reminded PRWAC members that an email went out for PRWAC members to express interest in forming a sub-committee with the intention of assisting the working group with creating a framework for metrics and criteria to rate each park, essentially assisting in the creation of a 'report card' for each park location. Staff was asked to follow up with remaining working group members on exactly what the time commitment would be for the subcommittee.
- 5.4 <u>Parks Master Plan Review:</u> The committee continued and completed its review of the Parks Master Plan. Chair Fulks will input all of the committees notes on each item.
- 5.5 <u>Volunteer Work Site Selection:</u> At the April 13th meeting, Committee Member Lang suggested the selection of one (or a few) locations for PRWAC to start and complete a project. Chair Fulks suggested continuing to finish a series of connected trails at the Valley Vista location. (see attached map). A motion to work with the county to develop this system of trails at Valley Vista was made by Committee Member Portman, seconded by Committee Member Reynolds and approved by the remainder of the committee. Chair Fulks will begin working with Parks Division staff on plans for this series of trails.
- **6.** PARKS DIVISION STAFF UPDATE (Information below was provided by the Parks Manager unless otherwise noted.)
 - 6.1 <u>Cache Creek Regional Park Status (park host, showers, and operations)</u>: Staff reported that the new parks hosts for the campground have arrived and that the campground will open for summer operations on May 20, 2015.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Reports by Committee Members on information they have received and meetings they have attended which would be of interest to the Committee or the public. *Please note that under the California Open Meetings Law (Government Code Section 54954.2); discussion of the Committee Members' reports is <u>limited to asking clarifying questions.</u> However, the Committee or any individual Committee members may request that an item be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.*

Committee Member Portman reported that the Burrowing Owl Consortium will take place October 24 at San Jose State University.

Committee Member Higgins reported that the City of Woodland vision statement includes a path and trail system for the city, with a greenbelt area included. He also reported that he has joined a Yolo County Health Department committee in order to express the need for a strong statement to be made about urban design planning.

Committee Member Fulks reported that he was awarded a National Trails Award for his work on the Berryessa Peak trail.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S:

Update on the Davis Communications/Grasslands sites Grazing Update

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fulks adjourned the meeting at 8:12PM. The next regular meeting of the PRWAC is scheduled for June 8, at 6:30pm.

Submitted by:

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