## **COUNTY OF YOLO**



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# PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRWAC)

### **DRAFT Summary of Minutes**

September 14, 2015

Members in Attendance: Darin Hall, Jack Young, Andrew Fulks, Rodney Higgins, Kent Lang,

Nancy Ullrey, Patrick Reynolds, Trini Campbell

Members Absent: Jennifer Henning, Catherine Portman

County Staff in Attendance: General Services Director, Kevin Yarris

Administrative Services Analyst, General Services, Laura Liddicoet

Natural Resources Analyst, Elisa Sabatini Casey Leibler, Natural Resource Intern Rebecca Tryon, Health and Human Services

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fulks called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented. *Motion: Ullrey. Second: Lang. Ayes: ALL* 

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The June 8, 2015 minutes were adopted as presented. *Motion: Ullrey. Second: Hall. Ayes: ALL* 

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### 5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 <u>Advisory Members appointments/reappointments/resignations:</u> The Yolo County Board of Supervisors approved Committee Member James 'Darin' Hall's appointment as the District 1 PRWAC member on July 15, 2015.

A motion was made to appoint Nancy Ullrey as Chair for the 2016 fiscal year.

Motion: Fulks. Second: Lang. Ayes: ALL

A motion was made to appoint Trini Campbell as the Vice Chair for the 2016 fiscal year.

Motion: Fulks. Second: Ullrey. Ayes: ALL

- 5.2 Yolo County Strategic Planning Update: Sustainable Environment: Yolo County Health and Human Services representative, Rebecca Tryon presented information relative to the Board of Supervisors strategic plan, regarding sustainable environments (attached). The advisory committee discussed several of the proposed items on the strategic planning, particularly regarding keeping alternative energy programs out of Class One Ag areas and Natural Heritage properties.
- 5.3 Parks Study Update/Sub-committee member selection: Natural Resources Analyst Elisa Sabatini updated the advisory committee on the progress of the Parks working group. The first usage study was completed earlier this summer, and based on those numbers, and the information provided by the vehicle trackers from Planning and Public Works, the working group estimates that approximately 80% of visitors visiting County parks are not paying. (attached)

Working group staff is looking for the ad-hoc subcommittee (Fulks, Campbell, Hall, Ullrey) to meet to discuss formation of rubrics and development of possible scenarios to present to the Board of Supervisors early next year. Staff will set a date and email the ad-hoc committee.

Information regarding the proposed OHV overnight ban was presented to the committee. This item will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for action on October 27, 2015. There will be a mining/net gains tour on Saturday, October 17 for interested parties.

5.4 <u>Fremont Weir Update and Letter:</u> Committee member Fulks has drafted a letter which was sent to the committee prior to the meeting. After discussion, a motion was made to send the letter to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, after minor amendments were made. *Motion: Young. Second: Reynolds. Aye:* 7. *Opposed:* 1.

**6.** PARKS DIVISION STAFF UPDATE (Information below was provided by the Parks Manager unless otherwise noted.)

- 6.1 <u>Rocky Fire Update:</u> Staff reported that the Cache Creek Campground incurred no damage as a result of the Rocky Fire. Staff also reported that minimal damage was experienced at a few Putah Creek sites as a result of the Wragg Fire. Staff is working with the County insurance carrier for reimbursement for repairs at those sites.
- 6.2 <u>Valley Vista Trails Update:</u> Yolo County Planning and Public Works completed their review of the proposed trails for Valley Vista Park, noting no serious issues.
- 6.3 <u>Grasslands Concessions Update:</u> Staff reported that negotiations are underway with both current concessions at Grasslands Regional Park. The Soaring Society has agreed to a concession amount, which management is in the process of finalizing. Negotiations with the Yolo Bowmen continue. Staff

reports they will attempt to negotiate through the calendar year, however, if a mutually beneficial arrangement cannot be reached, other options will be utilized.

#### 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.* 

Chair Ullrey reported that the Great Creek cleanup will be on Saturday, September 19. The Cache Creek Conservancy coordinates this event, but there are sites throughout Yolo County. For more information, visit www.cachecreekconservancy.org

**Committee Member Campbell** reported that there will be a project development meeting for the Planning and Public Work gap chart for the Esparto pool on September 23, 4pm.

**Committee Member Fulks** reported that Tuleyome spent Saturday, September 12 doing clean up at the old rafting concession site at Cache Creek Lower Site. Over 20 yards of old lumber and associated debris was removed from the area.

#### 8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S:

OHV park, history, and moving forward Enforcement issues throughout parks Parks Master Planning Update

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fulks adjourned the meeting at 8:15PM. The next regular meeting of the PRWAC is scheduled for October 12, at 6:30pm.

#### Submitted by:

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