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PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRWAC)

DRAFT Summary of Minutes

December 7, 2015

Members in Attendance: Darin Hall, Andrew Fulks, Rodney Higgins, Nancy Ullrey, Catherine Portman, Trini Campbell

Members Absent: Jennifer Henning, Jack Young, Kent Lang, Patrick Reynolds

County Staff in Attendance: General Services Director, Kevin Yarris
Administrative Services Analyst, General Services, Laura Liddicoet
Natural Resources Analyst, Elisa Sabatini
CAO Management Analyst, Carolyn West
Sr. Deputy County Counsel, Hope Welton

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Motion: Campbell. Second: Portman. Ayes: ALL

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The October 12, 2015 minutes were adopted, with edits.

Motion: Portman. Second: Hall. Ayes: ALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.1 Advisory Members appointments/reappointments/resignations: The Committee requested information regarding the committee by-laws and guidelines for membership requirements, i.e., how many meetings can be missed, etc.
- 5.2 Brown Act Briefing/Update for Committee Members: Yolo County Counsel Senior Deputy County Counsel Hope Welton provided the committee with a briefing on the guidelines of the Brown Act. Information provided at the meeting is included as Attachment #1 to these minutes.
- 5.3 OHV Update: Natural Resources Analyst Elisa Sabatini provided an update to the committee regarding work being done to regulate OHV use in Cache Creek. At the November 17, 2015 Yolo County Board of Supervisors meeting, a suite of actions related to OHV regulation were approved, including an ordinance which prohibits OHV use in Cache Creek from 8:00pm to 6:00am. Additional items approved by the board were a \$100,000 increase in funding to the Yolo County Sheriff for enforcement of this ordinance, and for educational outreach to high school freshmen and sophomores. The Board also directed both the Natural Resources Division and the Parks Division to return in approximately one year (Nov/Dec 2016) with several locations for the placement of an in-county OHV park. Staff will be meeting with State Parks to explore options for location and funding. The report that was presented to the BOS is attached to these minutes as Attachment #2.
- 5.4 Proposed Cache Creek Restoration Project: Natural Resources Analyst Elisa Sabatini presented information regarding a proposed project for invasive species removal in the 45-mile stretch of the Cache Creek Area Plan. The PRWAC suggested additional stakeholder groups to be included in the planning of this project and expressed their support.
- 5.5 Parks Study Update: Natural Resources Analyst Elisa Sabatini and CAO Management Analyst Carolyn West presented three proposed recommendations to be put before the BOS in March of 2016. These proposals were generated after approximately one year of staff work, which included a parks usage study and parks system inventory, and meetings of the PRWAC ad-hoc committee. The committee provided staff with feedback. These proposals are attached to these minutes as Attachment #3.

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

- 6.1 Grasslands Concession Update: Staff reports that both the Bowmen and Soaring Society are negotiating revised lease agreements. The Soaring Society agreement is close to finalization. Negotiations with the Bowmen continue; with a three month extension for these negotiations terminating on March 30, 2016. At that point, staff intends to explore other options for management and operation of the archery range. Staff also reports that in these future, the division would like lease holders to be providing an operation with public value.
- 6.2 Valley Vista Update: Staff reports that the Neg-Dec for the trail improvement project has been filed and Tuleyome can now schedule construction work to begin. Staff also reports that it has contacted the landowner of a gate adjacent to Camp Haswell and issued a cease and desist letter. The gate is on county property and the owner has until December 18 to remove.

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 limited to asking clarifying questions. However, the Committee or any individual Committee members may request that an item be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.*

Committee Member Campbell reported that the draft RFP (Request for Proposals) for the Esparto Park and Pool will be reviewed by the project development team and will be released in early 2016.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S:

Enforcement issues throughout parks
Low Water bridge status, regarding funding
Directional Signage along State Highway 16 and Highway 128
By-law review

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ullrey adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM. The next regular meeting of the PRWAC is scheduled for January 11 at 6:30pm.

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