



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Department of General Services  
Parks Division

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## PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRWAC)

### MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, February 15, 2022

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Teleconference

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ullrey called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Present: Ullrey, Trott, Branaman, Shukis, Fulks, Cruz, Portman, Campbell, Hensley.

Absent: None

#### 2. AUTHORIZE REMOTE (TELECONFERENCE/VIDEOCONFERENCE) MEETINGS

Authorize remote (teleconference/videoconference) meetings by finding, pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Motion to approve online meeting: Campbell. Second: Trott. Ayes: All.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF CURRENT AGENDA

Motion: Fulks. Second: Trott. Ayes: All.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Consider Minutes of October 18, 2021

Minutes were not available and will be brought back to the meeting in March for approval.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Opportunity for members of the public to address the PRWAC on subjects relating to committee business. The PRWAC reserves the right to impose a reasonable time limit on any topic or to any individual speaker.

None.

#### 6. REGULAR AGENDA

##### 6.1 ARP Funding Update

Eric Will, ARP Project Manager with the County Administrator's Office, gave an update on the process, progress and recommendations for allocating ARP funds for parks. The team

assembled for allocating the funds met a number of times over the past three months and those recommendations were reviewed by the Board liaison team two times as well. A robust discussion ensued which included these committee member comments:

Campbell: Esparto is expanding and consideration should be given to the future needs in that community.

Shukis: Some parks are in disrepair and those should be given consideration. Further, marketing of parks that have needs for improvement would be premature.

Cruz: Raised a concern that these one-time funds will run out and efforts for Programs will not be sustained.

Ullrey: was very supportive of completing the Valley Vista trail system as it addresses both goals of the ARP.

#### 6.2 Prop 68 Grant Applications

Mike Martinez, GSD Project Division Manager, gave an overview of the Prop 68 Per Capita Grant applications. Those included more solar and a new car port for an additional host at the campground, playground replacement and new shade structures at Esparto Community Park, a better pool cover to reduce chemical use and staff labor at Tuli Mem Pool, new shade structures in the picnic areas of Tuli Mem Park, and expanding the ever-popular Grasslands Dog Park parking lot. We continue to work with state parks about their award schedule.

### 7. DISCUSSION ITEMS/PARKS DIVISION STAFF UPDATES

Cache Creek Campground: The campground will open on April 1, 2022.

Tuli Mem Aquatic Park: Shade structure installation update. Opening set for May 28.

### 8. COMMITTEE MEMBER AND DIRECTOR REPORTS

Reports by Committee Members and/or Director 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' and/or Director 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.*

Yarris shared that the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the first reading of the OHV Ban in Cache Creek. A second reading is coming to the Board for final approval.

Fulks shared that UC Davis is completely overhauling the Putah Creek Arboretum in effort to return the area into riparian and wetland habitat.

Campbell commented on the new shade structures at Tuli Mem Aquatic park and all the positive community feedback about them. (parks art mention?)

Ullrey mentioned that CalFIRE would be conducting a prescribed burn workshop for state decision makers at the Cache Creek Nature Preserve's Tending and Gathering Garden. The program is in conjunction with the UC Davis class called "Keepers of the Flame," which is a cultural fire workshop. It is by invitation only, on March 8. She also mentioned that the Yolo Habitat Conservancy has a California Department of Fish and Wildlife grant to complete a Reserve Unit Management Plan (RUMP) for the lower Cache Creek. She suggested that it might be a good topic to present to the committee.

#### 9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- Clarksburg Boat Ramp (Shukis)
- YHC Reserve Unit Management Plan (Ullrey)
- Review of Member Shukis' park visit list (Shukis)

#### 10. NEXT MEETING

Regular Meeting Scheduled for March 21, 2022

#### 11. ADJOURN

Ullrey adjourned at 8:01 PM: Motion: Brandaman. Second: Shukis. Ayes: All.