

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, September 4, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Boone called to order the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners were present.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Korenthal led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMISSION SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Jennifer Mobarez read the Secretary Announcement

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Chair Boone asked for a nomination to elect a new Chair. Motion by Cruz, second by Harte to nominate Commissioner Levison as Commission Chair.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Chair Levison asked for a nomination to elect a new Vice-Chair. Motion by Boone, second by Korenthal, to nominate Commissioner Cruz as Vice-Chair.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Harte, second by Boone to approve the minutes of June 5, 2014.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Cruz, second by Harte, to approve the agenda.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENTS**

**Commissioner Harte made the following comments and stated he attended the following:**

- Fourth of July Parade.
- Staff Recognition Breakfast. He was happy to take part in cooking breakfast; it was nice to acknowledge good staff members.
- Concerts in the Park. Kudos to Mike Fleming for a great summer line-up.

- Tour with the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). Served as a tour guide for a great group of kids.
- Press Conference for St. Francis Dam Memorial (held by Congressman Buck McKeon).
- Connie Worden-Roberts Memorial.
- Ribbon Cutting Event for Central Park. Best event he went to all summer, what a great addition to the City.

**Commissioner Cruz** made the following comments and stated he attended the following:

- Summer Beach Bash. Great family-oriented event, whoever choose the band made a great choice. He asked if we hold something similar in the future, can we ensure that we have additional food trucks.
- Youth Family and Sports Festival. Wonderful event, great lay-out. He saw a lot of kids trying archery for the first time.

**Commissioner Korenthal** made the following comments:

- Thanked the Commissioners and feels honored to serve Santa Clarita. He is a huge advocate for bicycle riding and hopes to increase trail mileage. He is also interested in youth drug prevention.

**Commissioner Boone** made the following comments and stated she attended the following:

- Central Park Summer Camp. Cynthia Gonzales was in charge and she did a stellar job.
- Concert in the Park. The country band was awesome, she purchased their CD.
- Summer Beach Bash. The community came out together, successful event.
- POWER Closing Ceremony. She served as a speaker for the event. Moreover, she heard great praise about David Delbuono, City outreach worker and Robin Clough, SCV Senior Center Volunteer Coordinator.
- Youth Family and Sports Festival. Amazing free event, which included 65 volunteers, and had events for toddlers – teens.
- Pills Kill Symposium. She is pleased to report that the City has experienced a significant decrease in teen drug overdoses, this year we have had three as opposed to 16 drug overdoses in 2010. She believes the City Manager's participation in this prevention program plays an integral part in this improvement.

**Chair Levison** made the following comments and stated she attended the following:

- Thanked Commissioner Harte for serving as a judge at the Fourth of July Parade.
- Staff Recognition Breakfast. Great way to bond with staff, especially the Parks staff.
- Ribbon-Cutting Event for Central Park. A heartwarming event, happy to be in attendance.

#### **AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS**

None were scheduled.

#### **PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION**

None were scheduled.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Anne Mills, a resident of Santa Clarita, spoke to the Commission regarding Central Park's Dog Park. She requested the Commission look into the following issues: (1) lack of shade areas; (2) closer parking for handicap residents; and (3) elevated water bowls for dogs.

**ITEM 1**

**COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS**

Kelly Behle gave a presentation to the Commission on the State of California's Common Core Standards.

**Commission received and commented.**

**PARK PROJECTS AND FACILITIES STATUS REPORT**

**Commission received and commented.**

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services provided the following comments:

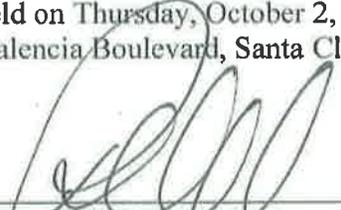
- Discussed pending open space acquisitions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Levison motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.  
Second by Commissioner Harte.

**FUTURE MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission, to be held on Thursday, October 2, 2014, in Council Chambers, first floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA.




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Richard E. Gould, Director  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services




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Ruthann Levison, Chair  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission