

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
6:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 7, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Levison called to order the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Commissioners were present.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Halliday led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Harte, second by Halliday, to approve the minutes of December 3, 2009.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Harte, second by Halliday, to approve the agenda.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Halliday attended the Polar Bear Swim on New Year's Day at the Aquatic Center. He did not participate, but enjoyed watching everyone's expression when they hit the water.

Commissioner Harte saw the pictures of the Polar Bear Swim event in the papers but did not attend.

Commissioner Redd did not attend the Polar Bear Swim event; he enjoyed reading about it in the paper.

Commissioner Cornell attended the Art Challenge at the Westfield Valencia Town Center. She enjoyed seeing what could be created out of found objects.

Chair Levison thanked staff for all of their hard work producing great events.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

Kindness and Character Count in Santa Clarita award was presented to David Nemeschansky for his outstanding contributions to the community.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

There were none.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

ITEM 1

OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTIONAL PROCESS TO PREPARE THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET SUGMITTAL

Sarona Vivanco, Management Analyst, gave a PowerPoint presentation with an overview of the annual budget process for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Commission received and commented.

ITEM 2

2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Phil Lantis, Arts and Events Administrator, and Toi Chisom, Recreation Supervisor, presented an overview of the draft calendar of events scheduled for 2010

Commission received and commented.

PARK PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Commission received and commented.

Commissioner Harte requested that more benches be placed in the middle of the large dog area at Central Bark so that people don't have to be so far away from their dogs while sitting on benches. He also asked what can be done to stop dog owners from bringing aggressive dogs to the dog park. Several park patrons have asked him about this issue.

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services stated that he would look into the possibility of getting more benches in the dog park. On the issue of dealing with aggressive dogs, patrons should call Animal Control when the issue arises. The phone number is posted on the signs at the park.

QUARTERLY REPORT

Commission received and commented.

STAFF COMMENTS

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Levison adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, first floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA.

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

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

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