

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
6:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 2, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Harte called to order the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All Commissioners were present, with the exception of Commissioner Fall.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Levison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Halliday, second by Levison, to approve the minutes of November 4, 2010.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Levison, second by Boone, to approve the agenda.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Levison commented that the Elsmere Canyon Dedication was wonderful and she appreciates the long time staff spent working on the project to acquire the property. The Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center was a success once again. Happy Holidays to everyone.

Commissioner Halliday attended the Fine Craft Show at Old Orchard Park and said he always enjoys this event. The Celebrate YOUth event at Central Park was great and well attended. It was especially fun to watch the coaches play each other, and everyone had a good time. Four Santa Clarita youth football teams will play in the finals on December 4 in Newberry Park.

Commissioner Boone attended the SCV Marathon and helped present awards. Rick Chambers officiated and thanked Chair Harte and Commissioner Boone for their participation. The Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center was a heartwarming and good event.

Chair Harte was pleased to attend the long-awaited Elsmere Canyon Dedication and commented that it was worth waiting for. The SCV Marathon is his favorite event, and he always enjoys helping present the awards. Handing out the 5K trophies was fun and staff assistance

distributing the awards was greatly appreciated. Veterans Day at Veterans Historical Park was well attended and continues to grow in attendance each year. It is a wonderful use of the park. Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Center was super fun. He enjoyed serving the stuffing, which he never eats himself. Chair Harte requested a letter be sent from the Commission to Bob Bakshi, Parkway Motors, thanking him for sponsoring the Thanksgiving Dinner for the fourth year.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

There were none.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

ITEM 1

VETERANS HISTORICAL PLAZA SPECIAL USE FACILITY POLICY

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, discussed the various usage requests received for Veterans Historical Plaza. Due to the increasing number of requests to use the plaza for various events, the need for a usage policy was discussed. Meetings will be held with the Veteran's groups, and staff will bring a report on a usage policy to the Commission at the February 4, 2011, meeting.

Commission received and commented.

ITEM 2

PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION GOAL SETTING

Director Gould led discussion with the Commission on beginning the Commission's goal setting process for the next year. Commissioners provided suggestions and ideas for development of 2011 goals. Commissioners suggestions will be discussed and finalized at the January 6, 2011, Commission meeting.

Commission received and commented.

PARK PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Commission received and commented.

STAFF COMMENTS

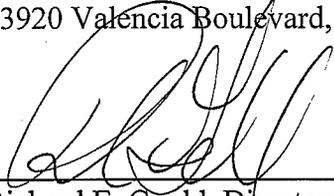
Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, announced the following events: Dedication of the Community Garden at Central Park on December 3; dedication of the Rodda Open Space property on December 9; the annual Community Center Holiday Party on December 17; and the fourth annual Polar Bear Plunge will be held at the Aquatic Center on January 1, 2011. City Council will meet once in December on the 14th, when the Mayor rotation will take place.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Harte adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission will be held on Thursday, January 6, 2011, 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



Duane Harte, Chair
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission

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