

City of Hawthorne
Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission Meeting
Minutes of September 1, 2009

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The Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Morton @ 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

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Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner's McGregor, Jeppesen, Balboa, and Chairman Morton.

Absent: Commissioner Hughes, Bowie (excused)

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Flag Salute was led by Commissioner Jeppesen

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Approval of Minutes for the August 7, 2009 Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Meeting.

Motion to approve minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Jeppesen

Seconded by Commissioner Balboa

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Written Communications:

- A. City Council Minutes for July 28, 2009 were presented to the Commission.
- B. The September 2009 Sports Center and Memorial Center calendars were reviewed by the Commission.
- C. The Commission also reviewed the Maintenance Report for August 2009.

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Foundation Report:

Chairman Morton mentioned that the Foundation is still collecting money from the 2009 Golf Tournament.

Oral Communications

None

Assistant Directors Report:

The Assistant Director's Report was presented by Assistant Recreation Supervisor Kywana Bowie.

- A. Memorial Park Groundwater Project - Gasoline has been slowly migrating North/East towards the Park and deeper towards the groundwater table. Samples are taken each month and some product is pumped out from over 30 wells in the general area. The company handling the clean up has finally obtained permission from the existing Arco Station and an Id gas station that use to exist on the S/W corner of El Segundo/Prairie to participate & contribute to the clean up project. A permanent underground solution of pumps will be installed to finally solve this issue.
- B. The Summer Recreation Programs ended on August 22, 2009, but everything went well. Everyone enjoyed the wading pools and the park activities. The weekly sport clinics ended on August 21st, but most of the sessions were sold out. There was basketball, volleyball and indoor soccer. The swimming lessons at the pool are continuing to sell out. We will have a more accurate report at the next meeting.
- C. Park Rangers –Program began two weeks ago, currently staffing at Eucalyptus, Memorial, Ramona and Jim Thorpe Parks. They report to the Licensing Division and are there to enforce the park rules, and to be ambassadors for the City. Funded for one year from SBWIB. They will be added to addition Parks as hiring continues. The program is very successful so far in cleaning up some of our issues including enforcement of helmet rule at Skatepark.
- D. Banner Regulations –Approval was received by the City Council at the August 25th City Council Meeting. Non profits now permitted to display banners for Community events.
- E. Fee Resolutions – Approval was received by the City Council at the August 25th City Council Meeting. All fees are adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price index. This increased rental fees for use of the Pool beyond that between 5-45%. We surveyed local cities and determined that our fees were low especially with the new improvements at that facility. Banner fees, and new categories for fees and the Memorial Center were added (separate

kitchen fees, Venus patio fees, Sun Room stairs and Piano) along with a commercial fee for use of Sports Center Parking Lot.

- F. Upcoming Events – Life without Limbs – Nick Vujicic motivational speaker will be appearing at the Memorial Center September 25th. This event is being put on by Councilmember Lambert. Tickets are available for a \$5 donation.

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Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Balboa asked about the tickets for the Life without Limbs event and also she asked about the upcoming Halloween Carnival.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Morton @ 6:30 PM. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday October 6, 2009 6:00 PM at the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Kywanna Bowie