

City of Hawthorne
Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission Meeting
Minutes of July 6, 2010

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The Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman Morton @ 6:01 pm in the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

Roll Call:

Present: Commissioner Bowie, Balboa, Jeppesen, Huhn.

Absent: Commissioner Hughes (excused), Commissioner McGregor

Also Present: Assistant Recreation Supervisor Kywana Bowie

Absent: Assistant Director Mark Hardison (excused)

The Flag salute was led by Commissioner Jeppesen

Approval of Minutes for June 1, 2010 Parks & Recreation – Fine Arts Commission Meeting.

Motion to approve minutes was made by Commissioner Huhn.
Seconded by Commissioner Jeppesen

Written Communications:

- A. City Council minutes from May 25; June 8, 2010 were reviewed by commission.
- B. The commission also reviewed the Memorial Center & Sports Center calendars.
- C. The Park Maintenance report was reviewed by the commission.

Parks & Recreation Foundation Report:

The Firework stand made approximately \$47,000. There are a lot of expenses to pay from that total. The Foundation is having a plaque made for the new restroom at Jim Thorpe Park.

Oral Communications:

Norb Huber – resident (City Clerk) said there was a large group at Holly Glen Park on July 5, 2010. They were doing fireworks in the park and they didn't have a permit to use the park.

Norb has spoken to several long term residences of Hawthorne and most of them have interesting history on the city. Norb seems to think there are enough people in the city who are interested in coming together and forming a Historical Society. One person shouldn't be responsible for all of that information.

National Night Out will be August 3, 2010. So far the following neighborhoods will be participating Holly Park Homeowner Association, Ramona Park Homeowner Association and possible North Hawthorne Homeowner's Association.

Assistant Director's Report:

- A. 2010/11 Budget – City Council conducted Budget session on June 24th. Budget deficit for next fiscal year 2010-11 is \$4.5 million. City Manager presented some ideas to close the gap including concessions which are being negotiated with the employee groups.
- B. Proposition 84 – Site visit was held this past week with the State Parks. Everything seems to have gone well. Out of the 487 projects submitted 250-300 received site visits. It is safe to assume if you didn't receive a site visit your project would be cut out of this phase of the funding.
- C. Summer Programs – The Park program began on June 29, 2010 and everything is going well. Most of the parks are filled with kids' everyday partaking in the wading pools, art & craft or sporting activities we're offering. Most of the sessions at the Hawthorne swimming pool are full. If you know anyone interested in taking swimming lessons have to go directly to the pool. Sports Clinics in the Betty Ainsworth Sports Center are going well. The first session had 40 kids registered. The second session has 35 kids registered. The numbers are a lot higher than last year. Providence Little Company of Mary will be hosting a day camp in our Sports Center starting July 12 – August 13th. The camp hours are from 9:00 am – 11:00 am Monday – Thursday. We are hoping this event is successful and maybe next year they could extend the hours.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Balboa likes the idea of having a Historical Society. She would really like to hear from Councilwoman English. Commissioner Balboa asked if she would be attending the next meeting in August.

Commissioner Bowie apologized for being late to the meeting.

Commissioner Huhn asked if anything had been done to change the Contract Instructor fees. Commissioner Huhn also added he has a DVD copy of the 2010 Golf Tournament. He is going to send a copy out to all of the participants.

Chairman Morton asked if Assistant Director Hardison could give Councilwoman English a call to invite her to attend the next meeting in August.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Morton @ 6:50 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 3, 2010 @ 6:00 pm at the City Council Chambers of Hawthorne City Hall.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Kywana Bowie