

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes
May 6, 2010
Orchard Mesa Cemetery

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Reford Theobold at 12:01 p. m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Reford Theobold
Dr. William Findlay
Jack Scott
Tawny Espinoza
Yvette Carnine

Board Members Absent:

Lenna Watson
David McInay
Bruce Hill

Parks & Recreation Staff Present:

Rob Schoeber, Director
Mike Vendegna, Parks Superintendent
Darcy Austin-Settles, Leisure Services Representative

Guest Speaker:

Kathy Portner – Catalyst Project

Item 2: Approve Minutes

Jack moved to approve the April 15, 2010 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board minutes. Tawny seconded.

Motion adopted by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: 4 Yes No

Item 3: Catalyst Project – Kathy Portner

Community Catalyst Project Overview – 3 block area around downtown library (including SRC & Assembly of God Block). We received \$1 million in grant funding called Greening Downtown. The idea for this came from the 2008 Downtown Master Plan. The process has been put on hold due in part to the economic downturn and this is the “vision” of what the project will look like when we can begin to move forward. Looking to proceed by doing mixed use development and having private partner partnerships, to have a very innovative and sustainable downtown area.

Item 4: Rocket Park Grand Opening May 11

Rob spoke about the completion of Rocket Park and how we would like to involve the board in handing out the food and speaking with the public at the Grand Opening Event. Food will be served at 5:30 p.m. with the ceremony beginning at 6 p.m. Available to serve: Reford Theobold, Bill Findlay, Yvette Carnine, Jack Scott, Tawny Espinoza, and Lenna Watson.

Item 5: Project Updates

Rob Schoeber – Tiara Rado is looking great and the next PRAB meeting will be at Tiara Rado so we can see the huge improvements. The back 9 is playable, with new routing ready in late July. Improvements at Lincoln Park Golf will be done this month, once they complete laying the last of the sod.

Block Grant – New restrooms at Hawthorne Park have been approved for a C.D.B.G. grant and will start in September 2010.

Mike Vendegna – Pomona Parks new pump system is in and complete, the building covering the pump system will be completed by next week. Cemetery Project is complete, all though it took many years from the initial concept (back in 1999), to come into fruition. The building was completed for half the original bid.

Item 6: Park Issues

Horizon Park – Sign that says no motorized vehicles allowed is knocked down and needs to be fixed

Lilac Park – 50 to 60 lilac bushes are dead, there is a plan to redo that. Rob Schoeber stated that they will move it up on the list. Drainage and soil were an issue so there is a plan to change the location and do different colors and sizes.

Item 7: Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Item 8: Next Meeting

June 3, 2010 – Tiara Rado

Respectfully submitted,

Darcy Austin-Settles
Leisure Services Representative