

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in a regular session at the Parks and Recreation office at 200 S. Center Street, Building 1, Mesa, on January 9, 2019.

Members Present:

Steven Crider
Matthew Erickson
Kimberly Forest
Jaime Glasser
Nycole Leyba
Jo Martin (via telephone)
Jacob Martinez
Justin Murdock (via telephone)

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Marc Heirshberg
Fred Rustam
Aimee Manis
Tammy Davenport
Jo Donovan
Leslie Clark
Wayne Simmons
Roger Singleton
Alyson Johnson
Agustin Perez
Katie Paul
Micah Bodine

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Jacob Martinez, Vice-Chair.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Martinez, Vice-Chair, asked if there was a motion for approval of the minutes from the September 12, 2018 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting. Jaime Glasser made a motion, Nycole Leyba seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Crider – Erickson – Forest – Glasser – Leyba – Martin – Martinez – Murdock

NAYS – None

Mr. Martinez, Vice-Chair asked for acknowledgement receipt of the minutes from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Fees and Charges Subcommittee. Nichole Leyba made a motion, Jaime Glasser seconded, and it was unanimously carried to acknowledge receipt of the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Crider – Erickson – Forest – Glasser – Leyba – Martin – Martinez – Murdock

NAYS – None

Public Comments: None

Open public hearing on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2018/19 and 2019/20

Mr. Martinez opened the hearing at 5:05p.m.

Presentation of Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2018/19 and 2019/20

The Board was given the Board Report along with the Schedules of Fees and Charges highlighting the fee changes, Mr. Heirshberg shared that a sub-committee meeting had been held in December 11, 2019 and those Committee members were asked to review the Fees and Charges in detail. Mr. Heirshberg explained that all Parks and Recreations fees are in ranges, so when the fees are adjusted as long as they remain within the range then it is not necessary to take them to Council for approval. Fees and Charges go into effect April 1st of each year so they coincide with our Summer Registration cycle.

Close public hearing on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2018/19 & FY2019/20.

Mr. Martinez closed the discussion at 5:08 p.m. with no public comments.

Make recommendation and take action on Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Schedule for FY2016/17 & 2017/18

Ms. Leyba made a motion, Ms. Glasser seconded, and it was unanimously carried that the Board recommend that the Fees and Charges Schedule be sent to the City Council for approval.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Crider – Erickson – Forest – Glasser – Leyba – Martin – Martinez – Murdock

NAYS – None

Presentation on PRCF Recreation Centers

Mr. Roger Singleton, Recreation Supervisor over the Department's Recreation Centers, introduced Alyson Johnson, Recreation Coordinator; Micah Bodine, Recreation Programmer over Webster Recreation Center; Agustin Perez, Recreation Programmer over Jefferson Recreation Center; and Katie Paul, Recreation Programmer over Eagles Community Center. Together they presented a PowerPoint presentation showcasing the Recreation Centers.

Director's Comments

Mr. Heirshberg introduced the new Aquatics Recreation Supervisor, Wayne Simmons, he started in October and comes from Austin, Texas. Mr. Heirshberg mentioned that there had been several retirements within the last year in PRCF, including; Darla Armfield, Carmen Scott and most recently Michael Holste, Assistant Director.

Bond Update:

Eagles Park still has not opened. The current contractor has been issued a notice of termination. The athletic fields will remain closed until August.

Councilmember Glover's last meeting was January 8th, and Councilmember Duff was sworn in on January 9th, with the new Councilmembers coming in there has not been any Bond discussion as to when the projects will begin. Since there were projects from the Fire Department, Police, Arts, and Library the priorities, will be discussed with Council in February.

Signal Butte Park construction phase 1 will begin in February. The project is focused on the South end of the 404 wash.

Dobson Ranch Golf Course:

Dobson Ranch Golf Course has gone to bid for operations of the full golf course. The operating agreement has been in place for the last 20 years, and the current vendor has been in operation for 10 years and staff is using this as an opportunity to explore what other options are available. The bids are due on January 15th.

Reports on meetings and/or events attended by Board Members

There were no reports.

Mr. Martinez asked if there were any other items for discussion; the Board had no additional comments or discussion. Mr. Erickson made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Crider seconded, and it was unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Crider – Erickson – Forest – Glasser – Leyba – Martin – Martinez – Murdock

NAYS – None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Heirshberg, CPRE
PRCF Department Director