

# SANTEE PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

April 6, 2023

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## MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 6:30 p.m. by Dean Velasco – roll call held
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ACTION:** On motion of Dr. Alan Tuthill and seconded by Dan Bickford, the committee voted to approve the agenda which carried by the following roll call vote: Anita Bautista: Aye, Dan Bickford: Aye, Cyndy Carlton: Aye, Michelle Dressler: Aye, Ken Fox: Aye, Lynda Marrokal: Aye, Kathleen Pishny: Aye, Stephanie Price: Aye, Dr. Alan Tuthill: Aye, Dean Velasco: Aye – 10 (Ryan McCarthy – tardy, did not vote)
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES –February 2, 2023 - ACTION:** On motion of Dan Bickford and seconded by Kathleen Pishny, the committee voted to approve the minutes which carried by the following roll call vote: Anita Bautista: Aye, Dan Bickford: Aye, Cyndy Carlton: Aye, Michelle Dressler: Aye, Ken Fox: Aye, Ryan McCarthy: Aye, Lynda Marrokal: Aye, Kathleen Pishny: Aye, Stephanie Price: Aye, Dr. Alan Tuthill: Aye, Dean Velasco: Aye – 11
4. **COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING/CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING** – Director, Nick Chavez presented on the Congressional Earmark project South of Big Rock park which would include many enhancements and improved access to Mission Trails Trailhead. Nick added that 15 EV Charging Stations will be added to City Hall and several of Santee parks parking lots. Discussion was held.
5. **SPARC ELECTION OF OFFICERS** – On motion of Stephanie Price and seconded by Lynda Marrokal, the committee voted to approve Dean Velasco as Chair, which carried the following roll-call vote: Anita Bautista: Nay, Dan Bickford: Aye, Cyndy Carlton: Aye, Michelle Dressler: Aye, Ken Fox: Aye, Ryan McCarthy: Aye, Lynda Marrokal: Aye, Kathleen Pishny: Aye, Stephanie Price: Aye, Dr. Alan Tuthill: Aye, Dean Velasco: Aye - Motion passed with 10 Approved and 1 Opposed  
On motion of Lynda Marrokal and seconded by Ryan McCarthy, the committee voted to approve Dan Bickford as Vice-Chair, which carried by the following vote: Anita Bautista: Aye, Dan Bickford: Aye, Cyndy Carlton: Nay, Michelle Dressler: Nay, Ken Fox: Aye, Ryan McCarthy: Aye, Lynda Marrokal: Aye, Kathleen Pishny: Nay, Stephanie Price: Nay, Dr. Alan Tuthill: Aye, Dean Velasco: Nay - Motion passed with 6 Approved and 5 Opposed.  
On motion of Dean Velasco and seconded by Cyndy Carlton, the committee voted to approve Michelle Dressler as Secretary, which carried by the following roll-call vote: Anita Bautista: Aye, Dan Bickford: Abstain, Cyndy Carlton: Aye, Michelle Dressler: Aye, Ken Fox: Aye, Ryan McCarthy: Aye, Lynda Marrokal: Aye, Kathleen Pishny: Aye, Stephanie Price: Aye, Dr. Alan Tuthill: Aye, Dean Velasco: Motion passed with 10 Approved and 1 Abstention.
6. **STAFF REPORT/PARK DEVELOPMENT UPDATE** –  
Nick informed the committee that Walker Trail lodge pole fencing has been completed; Park kiosks are on order, and will be installed at a variety of parks, including Big Rock Pickleball area; the Community Clean-Up and Shred Day was successful; Community Center planning is ongoing and updates will be provided soon.  
Anne Morrison showed the recap video of Fido Fest where it was well attended and successful. Anne also presented a video of Hop Down the Bunny Trail, which was another successful well-attended event. Anne spoke about the upcoming Summer Concerts and the Friday Nights Live events happening at Trolley Square starting May 19. Anne presented a video on the Spring Recreational Classes – registration currently open. Anne stated that recruitment is happening for part-time recreational staff; there will be 10 weeks of Summer Camp at Big Rock Park, which will include field trips, swim days and a variety of activities, the Teen Center is currently closed for Spring Break and is being cleaned; partnerships with SD Nights and

local Santee Library also continue. Recruiting for Junior Leader program during summer day camps is open for registration. Senior Group attended the San Diego Central Library; on April 16 bus trip to Getty Museum and May 10 is Spring Luncheon. Parks and fields have been very busy. Big Rock Pickleball will host fundraising Tournaments on April 15, May 20 and May 21. Spring youth sports are ongoing, as well as private events. Big Rock park off-leash dog park signs have been ordered and in production. Discussion was held.

Sam Rensberry updated the committee on the trimmed trees at Mast park.

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS/GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS –**

Dan Bickford informed the committee that the Kiwanis Jr Olympics event will be at Santana High School on April 29, Special Olympics Event at West Hills High School on May 20, 500-700 athletes expected; Renaissance Experience was post-poned and moved to June 17 at area in front of YMCA.

Michelle Dressler inquired about updating of Big Rock off leash dog park signs. Anne responded that they are on order and will be posted.

Stephanie Price inquired about the new softball field bleachers, requesting they be raised.

Lynda Marrokal provided insight on Hop Down the Bunny Trail event. Discussion was held.

**8. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT –** Shannon Lee provided public comment – discussion was held.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –**

Next Meeting: May 4, 2023, consensus of committee was to put Pickleball on the agenda

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Committee Members:

Anita Bautista	Lynda Marrokal
Dan Bickford	Kathleen Pishny
Cyndy Carlton	Stephanie Price
Michelle Dressler	Dr. Alan Tuthill
Ken Fox	Dean Velasco
Ryan McCarthy	

Staff:

Nicolas Chavez, Director of Community Services


Anne Morrison, Recreation Manager

Sam Rensberry, Public Services Manager

Alicia Curtis, Recreation Coordinator

Margie Dice, Administrative Secretary

Date Approved:

  
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 Anne Morrison, Recreation Services Manager