

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission
(PROS)

REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 2, 2021 - 10:00 AM

MINUTES

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kniffen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

Present – Commissioners Johansson, Atencio, Kniffen, Cooper, Renshaw, Bahringer and Lord was absent.

Staff Present – General Manager John Weigold, Facilities and Resources Supervisor Carlos Mendoza, Board Secretary Ossana Terterian and Ray Dienzo Utilities Manager.

C. CHAIR REPORT: None

2. EX - OFFICIO REPORTS

A. Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Report by Kitty Connolly was as follows:

Walt Andrus regrettably resigned from the board; so the following people agreed to do some of the jobs he did while a member of the board: Michael Thomas will head up weeding, Brian Morgan will continue as head of trails, Tom Loginbill will be head of benches and Gil Eastman will head up the clean up detail on Main Street which FFRP has been in charge of since 2004.

The Education Committee has begun work on a self guided tour of the Bluff Trail.

Two Graduate Students from Cal Poly have begun work on research on the Ranch which will contribute to their degrees. One student is working on the affect the removable of Ice plant on the Bluff Trail has on the native plants. The other student is looking at the understory and how it affects other growth. They will be looking at the understory on some of the test plots and other areas on the Ranch. The question is how much is too much or too little understory and how does that affect other growth?

3. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

4. FACILITIES AND RESOURCES SUPERVISOR was given by the Supervisor, Carlos Mendoza and was as follows: The after effects of the Storm are still taking a toll on the Facilities Department. The Santa Rosa trail has been looked at by the 3 C's and they will be giving an estimate for its repair. The offices have been gutted and power washed , as has all of the equipment in the Department. Carlos is working to get bids and estimates

as to the actual cost of replacing what has been destroyed by the Storm. However, on a positive note, all of the trails have been opened up on the Ranch except, of course, the Santa Rosa Creek trail.

5. CONSENT AGENDA (Estimated time: 15 Minutes)

- A. Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on February 2, 2021
Commissioner Atencio moved to approve the February 2, 2021 regular meeting minutes.
Commissioner Johansson seconded the motion.
All approved.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Receive Report from Civil Design Studios on Restroom Options and Make Recommendation to the CCSD Board of Directors:
A report was given by Monte Soto on the Restroom Options for the East Ranch. Four kinds of bathrooms were discussed. They were the following: Composting toilet, Pit

toilet, Reduced potable Water, Conventional toilets and Full Potable water, Conventional toilets. A comparison Table was also presented. All of the information presented by Civil Design Studios will be sent to the CCSD directors for their evaluation. Ray Dienzo also recommended from his experience that he believed the reduced potable water option was the best option. It was the opinion of the Commissioners that this option made the most sense considering it was the most economical and lowest maintenance choice of the four. Commissioner Johansson made the motion that we recommend to the CCSD that we believe that the reduced potable water is the best choice and Commissioner Renshaw seconded it. It passed unanimously.

- B. Receive Update on the Cambria Skatepark:
An update was given on the Skate Park by General Manager, Weigold. It was as follows:
Aaron Spohn of Spohn Ranch has reported that the cost will be a little higher than they quoted for the survey of the property. They will need an engineer that knows about water and how to

divert and control it for their initial plans. That will cost more. General Manager Weigold is waiting now to get Aaron's revised proposal.

We have in the budget \$17,000; so hopefully it will come in under that amount. General Manager Weigold thinks we will have his revised proposal in a few days. He will then email the Commissioners with the result if it is higher than \$17,000

Juli Amodei then weighed in that they now have \$155,000 in their account for the skate park. She once again stressed this process is taking too long! The subject of the grant came up. General Manager Weigold said the staff has been trained to deal with the 56 page application. Commissioner Cooper reported he might be able to get a private skate park firm that he knows to write the grant. General Manager Weigold said go ahead and pursue it. The final word is that this is a Prop 8 project and the rules must be followed. The board will give him the direction to follow when the design plan is presented. Then there is the problem of Money. Hopefully the grant will take care of that issue. We need to start the process.

C. Consider and Discuss 501C3 Nonprofit Organizations:

We then considered and discussed the possibility of a 501c3. Commissioner Bahringer has continued with the prospect of pursuing it. He talked with District Counsel and there is no issue with CCSD. He is calling it PROS which will be a private organization and has spent about \$200 so far.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Commissioner Kniffen asked for any future agenda items.: We need to deal with agenda items we have.

8. ADJOURN

Chair Commissioner Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:10