

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**5:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 6, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER	The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairman Nelson at 5:32 p.m., at 23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita.
CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENT	Commission Secretary announced that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item should fill out a speaker slip and submit it to the Commission Secretary.
ROLL CALL	All Commissioners were present. Commissioner Longshore arrived at 5:35 p.m.
FLAG SALUTE	Commissioner Hauser led the Pledge of Allegiance.
SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONER	Sharon Dawson, City Clerk, presided at the swearing in of new Commissioner Laurie Ender.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Commissioner Hauser moved, and Commissioner Longshore seconded, to approve the minutes of December 5, 2002 with the following change in wording: Priority Setting, #1. Parks and open space, i.e., Bond. Unanimously approved.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Commissioner Longshore moved, and Commissioner Redd seconded, to approve the agenda as written. Unanimously approved.
AWARDS/RECOGNITION	None
PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY	None
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	None
ITEM 1 REVIEW OF CAROUSEL RANCH LEASE OPPORTUNITY	Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services, provided Commission with the review of Carousel Ranch temporary lease opportunity. Commission received and commented. Advised staff to recommend the City Council authorize the City

Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Carousel Ranch for the temporary lease of the Rivendale property, with notation that the property be used for supporting therapeutic riding, and not be sub-leased.

PARK CONSTRUCTION
PROGRESS

Commission and staff discussed various projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Hauser:

1. Updated Commission on the Santa Clarita Valley Trails Advisory Committee (SCVTAC).

PUBLIC STATEMENTS
(COMMISSIONERS)

Commissioner Hauser:

1. Welcomed Laurie Ender to the Commission.
2. Would like a study session to discuss norms and procedures.
3. Would like an update from staff regarding Prop. 40, grant funds for Whitney Canyon etc.
4. Discussed the public need for more sports fields.
5. Would like an update on progress of priority registration, along with coordinating, scheduling, and partnerships with Youth Programs.
6. Thanked staff for advising Sheriff's Department regarding Parks Planning design phase.

Commissioner Redd:

1. Commended Community Services on the Teen Dance. Asked and received information on security at dance.
2. Would like to see an Organization Chart for Parks, Recreation and Community Services.
3. Recognized how great the teens had been doing with Folklorica and suggested putting up a plaque at the Community Center for them.
4. Thanked Rick Gould for being a great representative of the Commission at Canyon Country meeting.

Commissioner Longshore:

1. Noted how much he is looking forward to this year's Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival.
2. Commended Kaseem Baker and his staff for their great work.
3. Noted how pleased he is to see the Aquatics Center coming along.

Commissioner Ender:

1. Thanked Commission and Staff for making her so welcome.
2. Thanked Kaseem Baker for a great Basketball program.
3. Would like to see more gym's.
4. Asked and received comments about the Community Center.

Chairman Nelson:

1. Welcomed Laurie Ender.
2. Congratulated Dale Sergeant for being voted Castaic's Man of the Year.
3. Congratulated Ed Redd for being nominated as a behind the scenes hero.
4. Would like to receive an organization chart for the whole City, including phone numbers.
5. Would like to see Community Services added to Commission's title. Need to agendaize for next Commission meeting.
6. Suggested that public be more informed about developments with Parks, possibly by signage.

**PUBLIC STATEMENTS
(STAFF)**

Rick Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services:

1. Remarked on City's new website.
2. Reminded Commission to forward their bios to Cindy for the new website.
3. Asked Commission for two dates for their group picture. Suggested April 5, 2003 at 1:00 a.m.
4. Reminded Commission that the CPRS Annual Conference in March 19-22, 2003, and will be held in San José.
5. Discussed the North Park Annexation.
6. Discussed usage of Cowboy Theaters.
7. Discussed Concerts in the Park.
8. Discussed the new addition of Park Facilities Section.
9. Discussed Oak Spring Park.
10. Discussed Priority Registration, where Quimby is spent.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m. Chairman Nelson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Longshore moved, and Commissioner Redd seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Richard E. Gould, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Services

Chairman Nelson
Parks and Recreation Commission