

**CITY OF SANTA CLARITA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION  
6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, July 1, 2004**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hauser called to order the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission at 6:08 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, California.

**SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Commission Secretary announced that anyone wishing to address an item on the agenda should fill out a speaker's slip and submit it to the Commission Secretary before the item is announced by the Chair.

**ROLL CALL**

All Commissioners were present.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Commissioner Longshore, second by Commissioner Ender, to approve the minutes of June 3, 2004.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Commissioner Longshore, second by Commissioner Nelson, to approve the agenda.**

**Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.**

**AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS**

Kindness and Character Count in Santa Clarita awards were presented to Sterling Bales and Lori Bledsoe for outstanding contributions to the community.

**PRESENTATIONS TO THE CITY**

There was none.

**PROCLAMATION**

Commission Chair Hauser read a Proclamation declaring July Parks and Recreation Month in Santa Clarita.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

## **INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF MEMBER**

Bailey Brown, new Recreation Supervisor, was introduced to the Commission and welcomed.

## **ITEM 1**

### **ARTS AND EVENTS OFFICE OVERVIEW**

Phil Lantis, Arts and Events Administrator, presented Commission with information on Arts and Events programming.

**Commission received and commented.**

### **PARK PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

No comments.

### **QUARTERLY REPORT**

No comments.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Arts Advisory Committee

1. Commissioner Redd reported that the Committee is encouraging the *Daily News* and *The Signal* to promote local arts events.

### Santa Clarita Valley Trails Advisory Committee (SCVTAC)

1. Chair Hauser reported that she received a memorandum on May 27 from Arturo Aguirre, Environmental Health Department. Mr. Aguirre stated that the Environmental Health Department is not considering an equestrian trail to be equivalent to an animal enclosure. He further stated that his staff is willing to work with Parks Planning and SCVTAC to identify sites of acceptable trails to serve the community. SCVTAC members are encouraged by Mr. Aguirre's response.

## **PUBLIC STATEMENTS (COMMISSIONERS)**

Commissioner Ender:

1. Loves the new basketball uniforms. Thank you, staff.
2. It was really nice to have the Community Center kids at the groundbreaking ceremony today.
3. Requested that staff look into creating an email address for Commissioners before ordering new business cards.

Commissioner Redd:

1. Requested background on facility usage at Newhall Park for the Mommy and Me classes sponsored by Golden Oak Adult School. Staff stated that Golden Oak Adult School has been notified that the City will need to use the Newhall Park facility for our programs beginning with Fall 2005 programming.

Commissioner Longshore:

1. Observed parking and other violations occurring at Newhall Park. Requested increased patrols of the area.

Chair Hauser:

1. Impressed with the overall safety of our parks and very proud of how everyone came together, particularly the Sheriff's Department, during recent incident in the area of Placerita Nature Center.
2. It was a great day today at the groundbreaking for the Community Center. The kids did a great job.
3. Farmer's Market is incredible.
4. Plans for the recognition breakfast on Thursday, July 15, at 8:30 a.m. are coming along well. This tradition began four years ago. The theme for this year's recognition is "Getting to Know You."

### **PUBLIC STATEMENTS (STAFF)**

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

1. Funding of \$600,000 for the Veterans Historical Plaza was deferred by City Council at the June 8, 2004, meeting and will be considered at their meeting on July 13.

Susan Andrade-Wax, Recreation Superintendent

1. Recreation staff location changes have recently taken place, with moves to the Gymnasium, Activities Center, and Central Park.
2. Youth and Adult Sports are now referred to as "Sports."
3. City lifeguards have been featured on bus shelters throughout the City during the last month.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Hauser adjourned the Commission meeting at 8:14 p.m.**

### **FUTURE MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission will be held on Thursday, September 2, 2004, in the Council Chamber, First Floor of City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA.

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

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Laura Hauser, Chair  
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission

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