

MINUTES
Town of San Anselmo
Parks and Recreation Commission
Monthly Meeting
Robson House
Thursday, February 8, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners Present: Coleman, McInerney, Childs, Donery, Kelly, Murphy, Brouilett
Staff present: Long, Thoennes

Approval of Minutes: January 11, 2007

M/s, Childs/Kelly Ayes all, minutes approved

Open Time for Public Expression: None

Selection of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2007: Motion to select McInerney as chairperson and Donery as vice-chair with the condition that current chairperson Coleman remain chair through March, 2007.

M/s, Murphy/Childs, Ayes all, motion approved.

Red Hill Park Update: Long reported that the RHP JPA meet on January 10, 2007 and approved the Easement Agreement between the JPA and Sunny Hills School. Long also reported that there is currently \$1.12 million available to develop the park and that bids are expected to be received in mid to late March. Long stated that the project is on schedule and that the JPA is still waiting to hear from the Marin Community Foundation regarding the grant application requesting funds for Red Hill Park.

Donery asked if representatives from the dog park community have been attending the meetings to remain informed on the park's progress. Long indicated that they have had representation at most, if not all, of the JPA meetings.

Childs reported that the next fundraising committee meeting would be held on Tuesday, February 28, 2007. Childs reviewed strategies the fundraising committee is using to encourage more donations.

Review Revenue and Expenditure report: Long presented the report to the commission and stated that January was a strong month in terms of revenue.

Discussion of the possible formation of a recreation district: Long reviewed the discussion that occurred at the January, 2007 meeting at which a representative from LAFCO reported that he saw little benefit to San Anselmo in creating a recreation district. There was a brief discussion about the lack of benefit a special district would provide considering no general fund money is earmarked specifically for recreation other than to cover nominal operational costs. Donery recommended that the recreation department continue to pursue alternative funding sources outside of creating a recreation district.

Brief presentation by Recreation Coordinator Chris Thoennes: Thoennes reviewed each of his program areas providing details specific to current and anticipated participation, expanding existing programs, and developing new programs.

Recreation Software Update: Long reported that the registration software is coming along quite nicely. Staff has been working closely with the software designer to continue to develop features that are useful in terms of registration and financial reporting. Long reported that he anticipates that customers will be able to register on-line by July, 2007.

Commissioner comments: None.

Future agenda items:

Red Hill Park

Revenue & Expenditure Report

Fairfax MOU

Millennium Park maintenance

Parks Update

Motion to Adjourn: M/s Childs/McInerney

Adjournment: 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Long
Recreation Director