

Minutes
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
Thursday, October 24, 2019

A regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Tom Brandt, Vice Chairperson, in the Sierra Room at the Reedley Community Center, 100 N. East Avenue, Reedley, CA 93654.

1. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
 - A. Commissioners Present: Tom Brandt, Vice Chairperson; Jean Clemons; Angelina Rodriguez; Shirley Ito.
 - B. Commissioners Absent: Stephen Penner, Chairperson; Maria Rodriguez
 - C. Youth Representatives: Present – Erika Sosa Absent – Asami Nelson
 - D. Staff Present: Sarah Reid, Community Services Director; Kayla Cheney, Administrative Assistant; Jesus Rodriguez, Fresno State Intern.
 - E. Others Present: Jenny Peters, Seth Doyle, Stephanie Doyle, Jerry Linscheid and Neil Harris

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
It was moved by Commissioner Brandt, seconded by Commissioner Ito, that the minutes of August 22, 2019 be approved. The motion carried.

3. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – None.

4. ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None.

5. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. **Recommendation of Community Recreation Grant**-Four applications were received, all but Reedley Babe Ruth had a representative. Linscheid for Reedley YMCA Committee, Harris for Reedley High School Pirate Band Boosters, Peters and Doyle for Reedley High School for a Sober Graduation. A total of \$1050 is available. Each applicant was asked to tell a little about what they need and will use the grant money for. Reedley YMCA Committee plans to use the money for prizes for the annual Pet and Storybook Parade. This is the 80th anniversary. Reedley High School Pirate Band plans to use the grant money to buy new equipment as well as use the funds toward the entry fee for students to the Vintage Band Review in Napa and the Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo. Reedley High School for a Sober Graduation plans to use the grant money for the free event put on for High School Seniors. There is about 272 kids that attend every year. Motion by Commissioner Clemons, seconded by Commissioner Ito to recommend awarding grants as follows;
\$350 Reedley YMCA Committee
\$350 High School Pirate Band Boosters
\$350 Reedley High School for a Sober Graduation
Motion carried.

6. YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS
 - A. Erika Sosa -1) Volunteered at the Senior Prom which was Friday,

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September 20, 2019. 2) Plans to help at the Red Ribbon Carnival which is Friday, October 25, 2019.

7. STAFF REPORT

A. Sarah Reid, Director

- 1) Invited the Commission to the Senior Luncheon on December 10, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the Reedley Community Center. They were asked to RSVP to Cheney.
- 2) Updated the Commission on the open Senior Coordinator position. Reid is hoping to share the name of the new hire with the staff next week. Reid said the new Senior Coordinator will start in the middle of November.
- 3) Reid updated the Commission on the open Recreation Coordinator position. She is hoping to have this position filled by the 1st of December.
- 4) There are two Commissioners whose term will be expiring 02/2020. Clemons and Penner. There is still a vacancy open. Once these two positions open, if these two Commissioners want to serve another term they will still have to reapply.
- 5) Reid shared a power point with a picture of Rosa Hernandez presented with her plaque for Coach of the year. Citizens Park which shows how nice the walking path is since the rubber surface has been removed. As well as a picture of Columbia Park with the new construction going on for the half-court basketball court. Reid mentioned she would like for there to be some kind of ribbon cutting when this is done and possibly even some free basketballs that are handed out on this day to shine light on this park.
- 6) Melville Project, Dale agreed to shade something in Trimble Park.

A. Jesus Rodriguez, Fresno State Intern.

- 1) Youth programs are up and running with a total of 82 participants for girls Volleyball.
- 2) Tiny Tots has a total of 25 participants.
- 3) Rodriguez updated the commission that he was involved with the Senior Prom, as well as the Fiesta Walk/Fun. The Fiesta run had over of 550 participants and 30 volunteers.
- 4) Rodriguez reported for Leighty. Tots for Tots is around the corner. Toy pickup is December 20, 2019 from 4 to 6pm. The child must be present to receive the toy.
- 5) Rodriguez spoke on Touching Families where four families are selected, one from each school. Alta, Washington, Lincoln & Jefferson. The families are selected by each school's principal. This family is shopped and the gifts are delivered to the school.
- 6) The Hip Hop class is now wrapping u with 16 students.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

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- A. Commissioner Ito-Volunteered for the Senior Prom where she helped sell tickets in advance. In December she is going to lead water aerobics on Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00am-11:00am. There is a chance she may also lead water aerobics in January as well. Ito attended the Senior BBQ which was mentioned to have a great turnout.
- B. Commissioner A. Rodriguez-Expressed that the walking trail at Citizens park looks very nice. She would like to see the rubber surface go back on the trail eventually. Rodriguez attended the Domestic Violence event, she mentioned there was a good crowd.
- C. Commissioner Brandt- He would see individuals drive 2-3 miles from town just to come into town to walk at Citizens park. He hopes this does not decrease with the rubber surface being removed.

10. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Cheney, Administrative Assistant

Stephen Penner, Chairperson

Sarah Reid, Community Services Director