



**Minutes
Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commission
City of Pacifica**

REGULAR MEETING – 7 PM

Wednesday, October 30, 2013
City Council Chambers
2212 Beach Blvd.
Pacifica, CA 94044

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

I PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Urie.

II ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Tabor, Abbott, Murphy, Finnegan, Sambrailo, Urie, Cochran
Commissioners Absent: None
Commissioners Excused: None
Staff Present: Director Michael Perez, Recreation Specialist Beth Phipps

III APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chair Murphy called for a motion to approve the minutes of the 8/28/13 meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sambrailo, seconded by Commissioner Finnegan, motion carried 7-0.

IV ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Chair Murphy called for a motion adopting the order of the agenda. **Commissioner Finnegan made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Tabor, motion carried 7-0.**

V Special Presentation

Michele-Bridget Ragsdale, Recreation Coordinator, reported on Summer and Early Fall programming.

VI ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Bernie Sifry - Mr. Sifry asked how many Commissioners were trained in the Brown Act. He stated that he was appalled at the unprofessional behavior of some of the Commissioners. Especially in regard to pointing and laughing when suggesting that a certain Commissioner should be Santa for the City's annual tree lighting ceremony. He reminded the Commissioners that they represent the City and should act as such.

VII ITEMS for CONSENT

Chair Murphy called for a motion to accept the Items for Consent. **Commissioner Abbott made a motion to accept the Items for Consent, seconded by Commissioner Finnegan, motion carried 7-0.**

VIII ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

A) Dog Park Hours

Director Perez updated the Commissioners on the history of the Dog Park and the establishment of the new Dog Park Hours.

Fiona McDonnell There is usually a conflict that occurs on a regular basis with different size dogs that are asserting control over others. Ms. McDonnell feels that the design of the entry is continuing to be an issue. The entrance contributes and embellishes aggression so that when the dogs do get into the park that they have something to work out. She looks forward to Tues. which is a time to get work done without the disturbances. Ms. McDonnell would encourage the commission to continue with the two days closed.

Stephen Johnson Reported that he runs his business next to the dog park and that the closure days have helped. He typically runs workshops from Sat. to Tues so half of the workshop time is undisturbed by the barking. Fiona's point about the small dogs and big dogs coming together at the same entry point, which he was promised would not be next to his classroom but is right next to his class room, continues to be the loudest disturbance. A couple of dog walkers and he have talked about seeing how much it would cost to separate the entrances of the small dog and the large dog park. Mr. Johnson communicated this to Mike Perez. Mr. Johnson reported that he offered to get a bid and raise money to at least separate the entrances. Mr. Johnson strongly urges the Commission to take this up as an item on the agenda. The hour changes that occurred in the spring have helped and Mr. Johnson strongly urges the Commission not to open it more. The basic problem remains the same, his business and the business that he rented the square footage for at the Sanchez Art Center is for the business of making art, teaching, and writing. All of these activities require a certain degree of contemplation, peace, quiet and an ability to absorb what you are trying to teach and an ability to consider what our lives have meaning as artists and the kinds of art that we make. It is my career, it is why people come from all over the country to take classes from me and bring their hotel taxes, restaurant taxes and other visitation benefits to the city. The Dog Park is the antithesis of all of those activities. It continues to be very difficult to run his business. Mr. Johnson would urge the Commission to find a way to move the Dog Park.

Stephanie Poloni Would like to thank the Commissioners for having the city be responsible for opening and closing the Dog Park, it has been a huge stress release for her not to have to do this daily. Ms. Poloni felt that looking into the Dog Park hours after 6 months was under the assumption that some of the mitigation steps would have actually happened, but if you look at the time from the opening of the Dog Park a year and a half ago until now the only changes are they have been given a couple of days off, the cops are locking the Park, and POOCH as an organization has

dissolved and is no longer maintaining the park as they had promised. None of the mitigation efforts that have been talked about over the last year and a half have actually happened. The days off have been great. There is not a single day that goes by that she does not think about the dog park. Ms. Poloni urged that the Commission not talk away any closure hours and she would push to have hours reduced even further since none of the mitigating factors have happened. Ms. Poloni asked that the Commission remember that the site was approved with the understanding that POOCH was going to be an organization would be there until the Park was a success. Less a month after the Park opened the POOCH President stepped out and the new President tried to keep the organization together, but about a year later the organization dissolves. Now the City is left trying to maintain the Park by themselves and they do not have the resources is what we are being told.

Tim Thompson The Dog Park is 6 ft. behind their home and his family will never get used living on top of Dog Park. His belief was that the hours that were put in and the days off were to give refuge for all of the business's, artists, and home owners and that Tues was a day for maintenance. Mr. Thompson stated that since the City is not doing anything to prevent the dust or noise he would like the Commission to consider giving the neighbors another day off. He feels that Sat. would be great. Mr. Thompson stated that although the hours off are good they are not always enforced and that when he calls to report it he gets a rude person on the phone telling him it is not the crime of the century. He would just like the hours to be enforced so that it would be more consistent.

Tony Poloni Reported that sound generated by one dog bounces off the ground and the wall off the school. The sound is intensified and comes into his yard. The Sound of the dogs barking is the problem. A cyclone fence with sound proof material is the answer. The Dog Park is in the wrong place either close it or build a sound proof fence so that the surrounding neighbors are disturbed by the barking. Mr. Poloni has been talking to The Northern California Fence Company who built the existing fence. They have talked about building some deeper footings for a taller curved fence that goes over the side with sound proofing. Mr. Poloni got an estimate of \$7,500 it would get rid of the sound and the dust. Mr. Poloni suggested that money generated by the Linda Mar Beach parking, which is more than \$80,000 so far so there is no shortage of money. Build your fence and you are promoting a healthy community, which is the mission statement of the PB&R then talk about changing the hours. Once you get a sound fence you could have the place open 24 hours a day, we're just talking about the sound of the barking. The dust is covering our yards, decks, windows and gardens. He has power washed his back yard twice, had the windows cleaned twice, it is costing him money and time. The dogs pee on the decomposed granite then it flies over our fence. Building a sound wall will remedy the dust and the noise of the parking. He just wants his peace and

quiet back. No neighbor would appreciate loud barking or constant dust in their yard. Either build a sound wall or move the Dog Park to a better suited location. It is not the fault of the dog owners; you put dogs in an enclosed area they are going to bark at each other. You cannot blame the dog owners you can only blame the person who built it between an art studio and the homes. It is a dog's instinct; they bark that is how they communicate. They just want a place to have their dogs off leash. Now with Linda Mar beach not allowing it, which is ludicrous, you are just making matters worse.

Danielle Lanthier There is no disputing the fact that the Dog Park is in possibly the poorest location that could have been picked in Pacifica. She empathizes with all of the people who live right alongside of the fence, I wouldn't want to live next to a Dog Park either, but the fact of the matter is that it is there. Ms. Lanthier addressed the hours 10am-8pm or sunset whichever comes sooner doesn't bother her since she works from home so she can go to the Dog Park anytime she wants, but her friends and neighbors who go to the Dog Park and work 9-5 jobs Mon. – Fri. come daylight savings time are out of luck. They work 8 hours and have nowhere to take their dogs to let them run for a half an hour before cooking dinner for their children. On behalf of her neighbors who live in Pacifica and would like to use the Dog Park past 5 say until 6. She thinks that it is great that they have their days off, she doesn't have a problem with that either, but she feels that dog owners have been penalized far too much for the goings on at the Dog Park. Dog owners have had to deal with profanities and a friend of hers was threatened that his dogs would be shot. She has had run ins with the police officers who have the unfortunate task to open and close the Dog Park, which she feels should be given to someone else, and she says good morning and is met with obvious frustration when she is just a dog owner wanting to exercise her dog is not fare. Ms. Lanthier recalled the last meeting when the fence was talked about and stated that why nothing had come of that was beyond her, but if the Dog Park isn't going to be moved, then that is definitely our best course of action, if we can do something to get that done then let's do it.

Bernie Sifry Mr. Sifry stated that what he heard was something that should have been heard two years ago when homeowners, and business people within 500 yds of the project were notified in writing, and knocking on doors. They should have come and expressed their thoughts and all of that could have been taken into consideration before the Dog Park was built. Unfortunately they did not exercise their rights at the time and they had a certain time period to get it done. They didn't, they let it go for whatever reason I don't know, so you are stuck with a situation which is neither here nor there. I hear their complaints; I wonder what truth is involved in those complaints. I am out there and I can hear loud music being played from one of the homes and deliberately being turned up. Mr. Sifry stated that he enjoys the

music, but his own neighbors shout at him to turn down the music. Mr Sifry made the suggestion that an impartial sub-committee be set up of possibly three commissioners, who will sit down first hand and see and listen to what goes on and then meet. Hear what their testimony gives out. Mr. Sifry stated that right now the Dog Park is closed more than 25% of the week 2 days, and the time and hours with the coming of winter only means more time of it being out use. There are ways to improve it; he likes the idea of the fence.

Bonnie Delaplane Ms Delaplane stated that she is a dog owner and that she has a lot of empathy for the home owners and Mr. Johnson. She agrees with Mr. Johnson that the entrance to the Dog Park is located in a very poor place. Dogs greet each other; especially her dog is very excited to see other dogs. She suggests that the entrance be separated so that there is not this combustion of dogs. In the past she has made the suggestion that:

- We use chipped wood on the ground to keep the level of dust minimal
- Raise the fence at 8 to 10 feet and possibly grow vines on it so that the dust would not flow into the neighbor's yards.

The situation has created such a problem between dog owners and homeowners that it has become at times unbearable. She has been there when rap music is blaring. One homeowner pointed out how the sound bounces off the buildings, but their rap music that is so vulgar with minor children in the Dog Park is not ok nor is the language that comes flying over the fence at the dog owners. Minor children do not have to be subjected to this nor do dog owners. Ms. Delaplane asked the commission to step up to the plate and do something positive instead of taking away the use of a public park to the tax payers of this City.

Forrest Parnell
(Via e-mail)

I am very satisfied with the commission's decision to close the park an additional day of the week, which is on Sunday's. This has given us an additional day in which we have peace and quiet and it is also on a weekend, which is especially nice.

Commissioner Tabor – Sees no reason to change the hours

Commissioner Sambrailo – Thinks the hours have made some difference and is for leaving it as it is.

Commissioner Cochran – Happy with the hours where they are. He thinks the commission should revisit a study session regarding other items which were discussed.

Commissioner Abbott – It sounds that things are equally divided between everyone's opinions. We also received a letter from an individual who could not be at the meeting that noted that the reduction in hours and having Sunday was a very positive thing for the community. She had not originally voted for the reduced hours, but it seems that it has created a better atmosphere for people and has not been too difficult on dog owners so is now supporting continuing the hours as they are currently running including the reduction since currently there are no lights it is

important for the neighbors not to light that area, so for a safety issue having them close at 5pm or sunset whichever comes first is the right way to go. The current hours are appropriate and would also look forward to having some of the other topics come back to the next commission meeting and have them as an agenda item and talk about that status.

Commissioner Finnegan – Agrees with Commissioner Abbott in terms of some of the other items for consideration regarding some of the things we are going to put in place. She agrees that the best thing for most people is to maintain the current hours that we have. She apologized to those folks, who may have expected more out of the agenda item, and she encouraged people to continue to be active and she encouraged people to be the change you wish to see. If there is bad behavior going on with owners or neighbors bring it down to the commission

Commissioner Urie - Agreed that many subjects brought up need to be revisited quite seriously and discussed further. She also feels that the hours should at least remain where they are and that it has taken off some of the burden of having the park in the neighborhood that it is.

Commissioner Murphy – Agreed that the hours should remain where they are for now and that maybe when other mitigating circumstances are put into the park we could discuss opening up the park to longer hours at that time. It is not a perfect scenario but it is something that the commission has tried to balance out by looking at both sides and he feels that we are doing a pretty good job of that at the present time. He agrees that the Commission needs to look at other issues that were brought up and suggests that for another agenda item.

Commissioner Abbott asked whether when we voted on the hours if they were only temporary or if a vote needed to be taken to continue the hours.

Director Perez responded that the minutes stated that the Commission wanted to revisit the hours in six months which is what they were doing. He also stated he heard that if you wanted something brought back at a study session or at a regular meeting we could do either or both.

Commissioner Abbott would like the issues brought back to a regular Commission meeting since the Commission has studied the issues for some time.

Commissioner Cochran agreed that the two items that the Commission has discussed, the moving of the gates and the fence should be brought to a regular meeting.

Commissioner Urie stated that she was new to this and that it was valuable to hear everyone. She agreed with Commissioner Finnegan and asked that people continue to let the Commission know what they think and feel.

Commissioner Murphy also thanked the public for their input and encouraged them to comment via e-mail, phone calls, or coming to a meeting. He stated that anyone can come and have three minutes during public comment; you don't have to wait for it to be on the agenda.

Commissioner Abbott made a motion to continue to run the Dog Park hours Mon, Wed, Thurs, and Fri. from 10am until 8pm or sunset whichever comes first and Sat. from 10am – 5pm with the Dog Park being closed on Sunday and Tues, seconded by Commissioner Urie, motion carried 7-0.

B) Litter and Beach Clean-up Stations

Director Perez reported that at the Sept. 25th Commission meeting Lauren Weiner gave a presentation introducing their beach clean-up stations. On Oct. 9th PB&R Commission held a study session and one of the topics was litter. Public works field services manager Ray Biagini was in attendance to provide additional information. The trash cans, which are called cart garages in the Sharp Park area, were discussed at the study session and they most likely need to be painted on an ongoing basis either annually or every other year as part of the regular maintenance. It was thought that anti-littering messaging would be appropriate for the cans possibly murals or artwork by children, students or local artists as well were discussed as maybe being appropriate and something that the Commission might want to discuss further. Smaller versions of the cart garages will most likely be placed at the Pacifica State Beach, not as large as those at Sharp Park. Director clarified that the garages are the ones that are outside of the Council Chambers that are green but have corrosion on them. They are big enough for the 90 gallon containers and we can get smaller ones for down at the Pacifica State Beach. Commissioners suggested having the All One Ocean Beach Box pilot program in Sharp Park but they wanted more information on the program or product. Staff contacted Ms. Weiner to get clarification and was provided with the following information:

- Availability - Boxes are available as soon as we're ready for them
- Cost - All One Ocean can supply the box but would welcome any type of support or donation from participating agencies. Price of Box materials is about \$50, printing and laminating is another \$50 which comes to \$100/box; but they do not require us to make a payment for that.
- The coffee bags, which are the large coffee bags, that are stored inside the box for people to take to pick up litter and then empty them, All One Ocean supplies those but we would need to find a source for replenishing them as needed. A local source is probably the way to go. All one Ocean has an arrangement with the Starbucks in San Rafael.

The Commission was interested in getting more than one box, possibly two in Sharp Park as a Pilot. Commissioners talked about one close to the pier and one close to the levy. Commissioners asked about customizing the messaging on the box they would be happy to incorporate our messaging on the box. All One Ocean is going through a revamp right now and getting some new messaging. They definitely want their logo on it but they don't have a problem with incorporating our info; they call it partner logo. All One Ocean also reported back that the community aspect of the program is also very important. Basic suggested tasks of the stewards, person or groups that agree to look after the clean-up station are:

- Come with at least 10 coffee bags for stocking the station
- Bring scissors unless the bags you are bringing have already been prepped
- Examine the box
- Take a photo if anything is note worthy
- Count the number of unused, used but empty bags and any other loose debris items.
- Remove contents and straighten the reusable bags
- Toss trash or recycle in respective receptacle
- Trim additional bags being added to the box to total 10 count
- From a computer at your earliest convenience complete the online form with the date and counts from above.
- Check the shared spread sheet which is in a google drive that All One Ocean keeps.

Commissioners asked if the Pacifica Beach Coalition would be interested in maintaining or monitoring these stations. We had some of these discussions at the

last meeting and that came up at the study session as well. After the study session the feeling was that we didn't have enough information to go through it. Director Perez has been keeping Public Works apprized to let them know what it is. He ran them through the show, even though Ray was at the study session he wasn't at the presentation so they are aware and are looking for a place to attach. The promenade has a lot of good places to attach to and there are a couple sign poles down by the levy. The idea wasn't so much that we get all of the litter but that the educational aspect of this was key; making sure that people see it and become stewards and learn the ways of taking care of the ocean, just another way it seemed to be a good fit.

Neighborhood boxes were brought up but the commission felt that they wanted to focus on Sharp Park for the pilot.

Chair Murphy – Stated that he feels it is a great idea and that we go for it start with two boxes as a pilot in Sharp Park. It isn't going to cost anything

Commissioner Urie – Felt that the biggest issue was who was going to do the weekly monitoring.

Commissioner Finnegan – Stated that she can get somebody on the monitoring. She has a whole membership that has raised their hand and said they would love to do this. She is sure that she can get two people assigned to Sharp Park.

Commissioner Tabor – Felt that as long as there is a community organization that wants to maintain it that would be fine, but if there is no maintenance it doesn't make any sense to do it.

Commissioner Finnegan – Stated that that is the whole idea behind a pilot. We set a time limit and revisit it, how is it working, did someone draw graffiti on it, or are there generally no bags in there. The beach is a highly trafficked area so it is a good idea to make it a pilot here, especially at the pier.

Commissioner Urie – Asked about what else goes on the box

Commissioner Finnegan – Responded with suggesting The Pacifica Beach Coalition in conjunction with the Pacifica Parks, Beach and Recreation. She also suggested putting it out to the community schools.

Commissioner Sambrailo – Likes that it is relatively no cost, it's just effort. You put it up see how it works, and its education. There isn't much that you can do to a wooden box, if they destroy it, it wasn't a big investment, and if they put graffiti on it it's still a wooden box. It's a great idea.

Commissioner Abbott – Wondered if we wouldn't want to have three, since the promenade is so pretty long and that we had talked at the study session about having one at the pier for the fishing things, though the pier seems to be in much better shape with the ranger there, but it would be a good message about fishing since so much of the debris around there is fishing line. It sounds like we think this is no cost so does that mean we don't want to be paying anything to them either as the City or the Beach Coalition. It seems that maybe we should offer or some organization should provide something to this nonprofit organization that is trying to do this. It is super that the Beach Coalition is going to want to step up and maintain them.

Commissioner Urie – Suggested that we set up a trial time period and decide at the end of the time period how we can make a donation to All One Ocean for those, but until we have decided 100% that we are going to keep them she doesn't feel that we should putting any money out for it yet. But she feels we should try it.

Commissioner Finnegan – Let the Commission know that Muscle Rock was installing one of these boxes, so this is another reason to partner up with another organization.

Commissioner Tabor – Stated that he feels that this is a no brainer. If there is a way to compensate them for this it would be good.

Director Perez stated that however we do it, it is good that we get the message out some sort of marketing for it. He would be interested to hear if there was any kind of strategy for putting the box out at Muscle Rock. It would be nice to know before they show up that we get information out to people, however, they seem to be made with the messaging on them that if you look them they tell you what to do. He asked the question that when he was thinking the pier, he was thinking on the promenade near the pier but should one go on the actual pier.

Commissioner Cochran mad a motion that bring in two boxes for the promenade one for the pier and give it a trial basis for three months and revisit it at the end of three months, seconded by Commissioner Sambrailo motion passed 7-0.

Commissioner Abbott asked if the Commission wanted to make a donation. Director Perez answered this question by stating that the City does not make donations monetarily. If we are invoiced for them we would pay it and we would have to allocate some money for it.

IX REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Urie – No Report

Commissioner Finnegan –No Report

Commissioner Abbott – Reported that Commissioner Finnegan, Commissioner Sambrailo and she attended the training program that was put on by the Assistant City Attorney, which was quite interesting. It will be scheduled again sometime soon and as commissioners there is a commitment to attend. It is more than the Brown Act.

As a result of the Fireworks Task Force Chief Tasa is putting together something for the fireworks vendors to include in the materials that they distribute. Chief Tasa has come up with a logo and saying "Help us be a Litter Free Community" with a cartoonish happy trash can to encourage kids and others to put things in it, which he is hoping to share with the two fireworks vendors and have them include it in their printed materials that will be handed out to everyone on the 4th of July.

Commissioner Abbott also reported on a Seminar called Connect 13 that she attended. The Seminar has all about Communications, mostly with Government Agencies. Mike O'Neill from the City Council was there as well as Ginny Jaquith who was part of the City's Communications Task Force. A study session is coming up soon for the City to talk about their communications plan, when we know that schedule it might be something important for members of the Commission to attend since we have been talking about how to communicate better. There were all sort of new and hipper ways using technologies that government agencies are now using to share information with the public.

On Tues. Oct. 22 the first Snowy Plover was discovered on Linda Mar Beach, which is quite late, by the Shorebird Alliance.

Commissioner Cochran – No Report

Commissioner Tabor – No Report

Commissioner Sambrailo – No Report

Chair Murphy – No Report

X REPORTS FROM STAFF:

Director Perez

Thanked the entire Parks, Beaches and Recreation Department staff and volunteers whose efforts contributed to another successful season of programs, events and opportunities for the citizens of Pacifica. We are once again looking forward to an activity filled fall and winter as we head into the New Year.

PLAY

The winter edition of PLAY was delivered in the Pacifica Tribune last week on October 23rd, marking the beginning of class registration. Winter Aquatics registration begins on December 16th. Special thanks to Recreation Specialist Beth Phipps, who works very hard with department staff to make sure the PLAY brochure information is coordinated, looking good and is ready for publishing.

Study Session Summary

On October 9, 2013 the PB&R Commission held a Study Session. Field Services Manager Ray Biagini was in attendance to provide additional information on the study session topics, litter and beach parking.

- Litter – Commissioners discussed the All One Ocean Beach Clean-Up Station presentation from the previous regular meeting. Commissioner suggested having a pilot program at Sharp Park, with maybe two stations – one at the pier and one closer to the levy/berm. There were questions about the program and staff has brought back some answers that are part of a separate staff report for tonight’s meeting.
 - Trash cans – the “cart garages” that are at Sharp Park were discussed. They most likely need to be painted on a regular basis (annually or every other year) as part of regular maintenance. It was thought that anti-littering messaging would be appropriate for the cans, possibly murals or artwork by children, students or local artists would also be appropriate and something the Commission would like to discuss further. Smaller versions of the cart garages will most likely be placed at Pacifica State Beach.
- Beach Parking
 - Filed Services Manager Biagini discussed the Ranger scheduling, hours, and duties such as:
 - Parking violation monitoring
 - Cleaning, repairing and maintaining facilities
 - Beach rule violations monitoring
 - Monitoring parking machines – money collection, maintenance
 - Non-beach specific ranger duties – pier and parks
 - It was suggested that an article about the parking program would be welcome and could include information on:
 - New rangers
 - What their duties are
 - How the program is going

Poet Laureate

The Poet Laureate applications were due last Wednesday. Last month the application period was announced at the City Council meeting. Flyers were put up at the Community Center, the PB&R office, both libraries and Florey’s Bookstore. It was also announced via the department’s Facebook page, Pacifica Patch, the Pacifica Tribune and on the City’s website. At the time of this report we had three applicants.

A subcommittee of the Commission worked on the poet laureate selection process and solicited community members for the selection committee. The selection process will be taking place during the month of November.

Western Snowy Plover Site Plan

The site plan for the Western Snowy Plover protections at Pacifica State Beach was on the City Council agenda last month. A copy of the staff report was emailed out to Commissioners prior to the last Commission meeting. Council voted to authorize staff to submit an application to the Coastal Commission for the Western Snowy Plover Protections signage and fencing plan at Pacifica State Beach. Staff has been working with members of our Engineering and Planning Department to finalize the application to submit to the Coastal Commission. Submission of that application happened this week.

Beach Parking Program

Annual parking passes were available for purchase starting on July 22nd and the program started on August 16th. Day passes may be purchased in the lots, \$3/4 hours or \$6/all day. Annual passes are \$50 and may be purchased online at www.cityofpacifica.org/parking or in person at the Parks, Beaches and Recreation office, 1810 Francisco Blvd. Information about the program is available on our website at www.cityofpacifica.org/parking or people may call our office at 650-738-7381. At the time of this report almost 875 passes have been sold.

Senior parking program – placards are being issued via the Senior Services to Seniors in Action members for parking in the Crespi lot location near the Community Center.

We have provided passes to the Pacifica Beach Coalition for scheduled/organized clean-ups through their organization.

Staff is currently working with the software company ActiveNet to finalize the renewal process for next year.

Upcoming Events

Discovery Hike – Saturday, November 2nd, at the Community Center – 9:30am

Crop-til-you-Drop – Saturday, November 2nd, at the Community center – 10am-4pm

Holiday Extravaganza! A weekend of holiday fun!

Friday, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec. 7, 2012

Holiday Tree Lighting, Friday, Dec. 6 at 5:30 pm featuring the 4th & 5th Grade Cabrillo School Chorus, refreshments and a visit from Santa!

Elf Market

Friday, Dec. 6, 6 to 9 pm and Saturday, Dec. 7, 10 am to 4 pm

Pacifica's very own unique craft fair! Shop for holiday gifts handcrafted by local artists and community organizations.

Santa's Workshop

Saturday, Dec. 7 from 11 am to 2 pm \$5 at the door — kids get to make a gingerbread house from scratch (no kits!) and using real frosting. Also, kids can do a holiday craft and have a visit with Santa!

Pacifica Senior Services' 8th Annual 2013 Meals on Wheels Gift Basket Fundraiser

Proceeds to benefit Pacifica's Meals on Wheels baskets will be displayed for silent auction bids at the Pacifica Community Center, 540 Crespi Dr. starting on Friday, Dec. 6 at the Holiday Tree Lighting and Elf Market, 5:30—9pm and continuing through Monday, Dec. 9. Last bids are taken at 10am on Monday, Dec. 9. All proceeds from the auction will be used for the Meals on Wheels "A Night Out on the Town" event to take place in Feb. 2013.

Commissioner Cochran – Do we have any numbers on the hourly rate collected at the parking meters at the beach parking. Director Perez responded that Public Works has that number, but his understanding is that if you take in the money taken in so far, annual and daily amounts, divided by the number of days we have had we have hit the mark we would need if that projected out for the year. Commissioner Cochran asked Director Perez if he could have the actual daily rate numbers for the next meeting.

Commissioner Finnegan – Asked when our report is due to the City Council. Director Perez responded that he has been asking about this since April. Director Perez has been going through the resolution and the subcommittee report and there are two things, there is an annual report but what it entails is not specific. Director Perez would like commissioner help with it so that it does not turn into a report from him. They also said in the subcommittee report that they would like study sessions, but it does not say it in the resolution. Director Perez and the City Manager are planning to have a meeting to find out if there is going to be a joint study session with the council and if there is what will be that agenda, are they going to talk about the Commission's goals or do they want the Commission to come up with goals. Director Perez does not see this happening until January. He will communicate specifics with the Commission as soon as he has more clarification from the City Manager.

XI CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Finnegan – The Beach Coalition sent out an email or their Facebook page stating that they will be voting on what threatened or endangered species that they will dedicate their efforts to this coming year. The Snowy Plover is up for nomination this year. If you are in communication with the Beach Coalition or are a member and know other endangered species please respond to the email to Lynn Adams or to Commissioner Finnegan so that they can pass the information on.

Commissioner Finnegan reported that the Beach Coalition won \$100 for best walk in group at the Fog Fest Parade. The money will be put back into the community and one of the things that the Coalition wants to support is a little girl named Katie Scribner, who is a local shark advocate and wants to adopt a shark. With the money, she needs \$1,000.00, that she collects she will get to go out with a David McGuire a local shark expert and tag a shark and follow it. The Coalition is taking donations on their web site for Katie.

This weekend is the Beach Coalitions strategic planning meeting for the upcoming year. If anyone is interested send her an e-mail or come talk to her.

Commissioner Finnegan announced that Lynn Adams won the Cox award which is given by the Cox Communication, which dedicates a certain amount of money to local green efforts and Lynn won \$10,000 which she will be putting back into the community.

NEXT MEETING:

Regular Meeting - 12/4/13

Commissioner Finnegan asked when a study session would be held on the Dog Park, she feels that a study session is necessary. Commissioner Sambrailo feels that from the responses from the public at this meeting she doesn't feel that they were informed and that they need more information. Commissioner Abbott feels that we have talked about the Dog Park already and a study session is not necessary.

Director Perez responded that he does not think that the public sees a difference of whether the Dog Park is discussed at a study session or a regular meeting. Commissioner Cochran suggested that a study session be scheduled with public works present.

Study Session was scheduled for 11/20/13 at 6:00 in council chambers.

XII ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Abbott made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Tabor. The motion passed 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Phipps
Recording Secretary

Parks, Beaches & Recreation Commission
August Murphy, Chair