

**MINUTES
TOWN OF EDGEWOOD**

**REGULAR
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

March 7, 2016 @ 6:30 P.M
EDGEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER - #27 E. FRONTAGE ROAD

Attendance:

Parks and Recreation Program Manager: Roger Holden. **Members:** Paul McClure (Chair), Ray Seagers (Vice-chair), Roxie Carpenter (Secretary), Al Humble, Patrick Wagner, and Phillip Silva.

Alternates: TBD. **Absent:** none

- 1) A Quorum was established, call to Order by Chair, Paul McClure at 7:08 pm. (This meeting followed the installations of elected and re-elected officials at 6:00 pm.)
- 2) Approval of 7 March 2016 agenda.
Motion #4: (Carpenter/Seager) Motion to approve agenda for 7 March 2016 meeting.
6 in favor/0 opposed. Motion Carries
- 3) Approval of Minutes of 1 February 2016 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting.
Motion #5: (Humble/Carpenter) Motion to approve minutes for 1 February 2016 meeting.
6 in favor/0 opposed. Motion Carries
- 4) Public Comments
 - a) John Bassett (newly elected mayor) asked what type of surface would be used on the Horton Trail. (That has not been decided yet, but the committee is open to suggestion. Most likely there will be two parallel tracks, one with dirt surface and one track with a surface suitable for bikes, etc.) Mayor Bassett also asked if we were planning to do something with the windmill on Section 16. Loren Hill had told Mr. Bassett that he was interested in working on it. (Mr. Holden agreed to contact Mr. Hill.)
 - b) John Carpenter inquired about the status of the bridge that has been donated for Section 16. (As per previous meetings, the bridge will require \$5,000 to be transported to Section 16 and over \$100,000 to install it at Section 16.)
- 5) Matters from the Chairman – see #9 below.
- 6) Matters from the Advisory Committee Members:
 - a) Ray Seagers – There is a section of the trail on Route 66 that has been blocked off near Los Ritos. Fence was installed, but, per other members of the committee, it has since been cut. Mr. Seagers suggested that we start discussion with the State on how to mark the trail so that use of the trail is not pre-empted. There is some concern that the State is not necessarily aware of the trail designation.
- 7) Matters from the Parks and Recreation Program Manager
 - a) Edgewood Elementary recreational facilities for residents use;
 - i) Signage; DOT/MESD – The DOT is okay with signs, but they need for the Town to fund them.
 - ii) The dog waste station has been installed at the park.
 - b) Equestrian Center; corral – The grand opening for the corral was held on March 5, 2016. There were about 50 people and several equines in attendance. Mr. McClure asked if people could post photos on the Town Facebook page.

- c) Section 34 lease, patent – The town maintenance manager, James Solomon, is talking to Torrance County about the proposed “Slow” Sign on Martinez Road.
 - d) Town Commons; BMX track – The Town Council agenda has a proposal to move the dirt for the BMX track. This would be done internally with equipment and labor that the Town has.
 - e) Sign, brand, logo, style sheet RFP – There are still ten banner poles available.
 - f) Banners; Legacy Church, youth art; RT-66 Arts Alliance – no news.
- 8) Edgewood 7 trail planning
- a) One fence has been found that is encroaching on the proposed trail. The Town will survey it to verify.
 - b) A sign may go on NM 344 at the Chili Hills restaurant (just south of I-40). Mr. Holden will talk to the owner of Chili Hills, Ralph Hill. The DOT will not allow the sign on its property.
- 9) Community Garden – Paul McClure and Al Humble did a walk-through of the site and mapped the proposed site for the garden on Google Earth.
- a) 4 acres – this size would allow demonstration of horse-powered farming.
 - b) A water source is located at the fence line by the Public Works building.
 - c) Need a tool shed, irrigation supplies, and seeds (Al Humble can donate some)
 - d) Cholla would not need to be removed at this phase, can work around it.
 - e) Could easily start soon on a small scale.
 - f) Could transfer water from existing buildings. They already have gutters, just need to redirect water.
 - g) Ask Council to approve layout and plan.
 - h) Invite Chris Meuli (local permaculture expert) to meeting.
 - i) Mr. Holden will ask Council for the following:
 - i) set aside 4 acres for community garden
 - ii) run water line out to site
 - iii) approve funding for 8’ fencing (to keep out rabbits and deer) and for tool shed. Committee members are also encouraged to solicit donations for fencing.
 - iv) Items to consider: composting toilets, water tank so water can be transferred from the sewer plant to the community garden.
- 10) Budget Review
- Motion #6:** (McClure/Carpenter) Motion to table budget review.
- 6 in favor/0 opposed. Motion Carries
- 11) Schedule next meeting;
- a) Date: Monday, 4 April 2016 time: 6:30 PM location; Edgewood Community Center.
- 11) Future Agenda Items;
- a) Budget for next fiscal year
- 12) Adjourn at 9:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Roxie Carpenter

Paul McClure, Chair

Date

Roxie Carpenter, Secretary

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