

CORONADO PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
April 8, 2002

Commission Chairperson Jennie Portelli called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners: Jennie Portelli, Phil Hammett and Tim Sullivan. Nancy Blair joined at 4:10

Absent: Bob Breglio

Staff: Linda Rahn, Director of Recreation and Sandy Goodson,
Administrative Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Jennie Portelli asked to have a change made to page 3, Item 4, end of first paragraph to say Tennis Pro/Manager contract. Linda said that at the time of this discussion, we were only referring to the contract as the Tennis Pro contract, but with the approval of the Commission, we could change it to Tennis Pro/Manager contract.

Motion: Hammett – Accept the Minutes of the March meeting as corrected.

Second: Portelli

Motion passed all voting aye, Breglio & Blair absent

AGENDA CHANGES:

Tim Sullivan asked to have the Joint Use item moved to 3A because he had to leave early.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Community Center – Support Council Action of March 19, 2002:

Linda shared some articles regarding the community center with the Commission. She said that the City Manager would like to have a booth at the Flower Show to educate people about the proposed Community Center. She said that we would like to have Commissioners present to help pass out information and that we would supply a staff shirt with the City logo. There would be more presentations in the future.

Jennie noted that Nancy Blair arrived.

Jennie said the recommendation before the Commission is to support the Council Action of March 19, 2002, and to discuss other ways the Commission can support the Council. She said that Tim's letter to the editor was great, and that word-of-mouth is another way the Commission can help.

Tim asked if any of the rooms were lost when the multi-purpose court was increased to the 84 ft. length. Linda said no, rooms were moved to allow the larger multi-purpose court. Linda said the lobby area was preserved because it will have the climbing wall, chairs and tables for customers and the reception area. Linda said that if the multi-purpose court is made any larger, we will probably lose the climbing wall because we won't have 5-feet of free zone by the wall.

Jennie asked about the height. Linda said the height would make a difference in the design, but not the space plan.

Tim asked if the petition asked for the height to be 35 feet. Linda said she wasn't sure of the words. Phil said the petition asked for the height limit for the Glorietta Bay Master Plan to be increased to 35 feet.

Motion: Sullivan motioned to support the City Council Action represented by the proposed drawing including the 84-foot by 50-foot multi-purpose court.

Second: Hammett

Phil asked if the Commission was going to participate in public presentations about the Community Center, would they be briefed on the reasons behind the decision. Linda said yes, the Commission would be briefed before the weekend.

Motion passed all voting aye, Breglio absent

Linda asked if there are other ways the Commission wants to support the Council's decision. Jennie said by talking to friends.

Linda suggested letters to The Eagle regarding the proposal and what activities will be offered in the new Community Center.

Tim said this is going to become a political issue. He suggested going to the service organizations in town with preliminary drawings.

Motion: Sullivan motioned that the Commission support the City Council by attending meetings of service organizations as part of discussion of The Glorietta Bay Master Plan including a new City Hall and Community Center and what the Community Center will encompass and have Recreation Department shirts for Commission Members.

Second: Hammett

Motion passed all voting aye, Breglio absent

2. Staff and Program Presentations:

Linda asked if the Commission would like to have presentations made by Recreation Department staff and what their section does. This would give the Commission a chance to meet the staff and become familiar with programs we offer. She also wanted to know if the Commission would like to have the presentations at a Commission meeting or separately.

Jennie said it would be great. Tim said he would welcome it and would suggest a tour for the new Commissioners. Nanci would like the presentations.

Motion: Portelli motioned to have various staff and program presentations done for the Commission.

Second: Blair

Motion passed all voting aye, Breglio absent

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. Director's Report:

A. Joint Use Agreement Status:

Linda explained that the Joint Use Agreement is still with the School District. Maury Shaw retired but believes the Agreement will move forward.

Tim asked if we would have access to the gymnasium. Linda said she is optimistic.

Phil said that since Maury retired, he would go meet Linda Visnick from the School District.

Linda said she understood that the School District had the draft and had made some minor revisions. She said that the School District is for the Joint Use Agreement if it brings them the gain they want. The City Council will have to decide if the gain is reasonable and she believes there will be some challenges.

Linda said that she would like to share the Joint Use Agreement with the Commission, but cannot until she has a draft.

Tim Sullivan left.

Linda shared an article that was in the Eagle/Journal about our middle school program and the relationship between the school and the Recreation Department.

B. CPRS Conference:

Linda said the CPRS Conference was excellent and the networking was great. She said that her hope is that the next time it is close to San Diego the entire Commission could attend.

C. Current program Highlights

- i. **Easter Eggstravaganza** – was wonderful and very successful. We had an Easter Egg hunt and a life-size Candy Land game.
- ii. **Holiday Break Camps** – we had 35 children the first week and 10 the second week.
- iii. **Kim Tolle Show** – Linda will be interviewed on April 24, 2002, for the Kim Tolle Show. This will be to promote up-coming programs.

D. Volleyball Nets Installed at Beach Courts:

Linda shared that we did have 3 volleyball nets installed at the beach. This is a test to see if the nets last and how they do.

E. New Recreation Coordinators Hired:

Linda said that we hired 2 new Recreation Coordinators. Sherry Burchert has a background with the YMCA, as a director of day-care center and as a teacher with outdoor school classes and activities.

Katie Johnson has a background with Camp Fire as a Camp Director, programmer, and Interim Executive Director for San Diego Camp Fire.

Linda shared the Weekly Update with the Commission. She explained that we submit an Update to the City Manger each week. She said this tells the department's weekly highlights. Sandy will e-mail the Update to the Commission weekly.

Jennie asked if anyone from Recreation was going to the Career Fair at the High School. Linda said yes.

7. Commissioner's Report:

Jennie said the Coronado Tennis Association is going to buy new nets and squeegees for the High School tennis courts. The Association is also going to supply a \$500.00 scholarship for both the boy and girl who exemplify team spirit and sportsmanship.

Jennie said the Tennis Review Committee met with Phil Hopkins regarding Tennis in Coronado. The Committee is inviting different people from the Tennis Community to participate in the meetings to gain information about what they would like to see regarding Tennis in Coronado.

Phil Hammett mentioned that the Crown School building would be used by the High School. He said that the area across from Sunset Park could be used for a picnic area or something if the tracking lights for the landing strip are moved.

Nancy said that she noticed the starting blocks at the pool move when the children dive from them. Linda said repair or replacement is being researched.

Nancy wanted to know about the children removing and placing the tarps on the pool. She is concerned about children doing this. Linda explained that the clubs have the option to pay to have pool staff come in and put the tarps on the pool. The school district chose not to pay the fee.

Nancy said she thought that the High School had joint use of the pool. Linda explained that the School District uses the City's pool at no cost and the City has use of some of the School facilities (class rooms) at no cost. We share fields, and the City has a few weeks of use of the gymnasium at no cost. We are working at gaining more access to the Gymnasium with the Joint Use agreement.

Linda said that the adult groups pay to use the pool.

Linda said that when the new Community Center is built, we are hoping to provide an office for pool facility users.

Jennie asked to see an agenda item on teens on the next agenda. Linda said one of the new Recreation Coordinators would be responsible for the teen program.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved by:
