

**CORONADO PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**  
**Meeting**  
**January 12, 2004**

Board Chairperson Jennie Portelli called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:**

Boardmembers: Jennie Portelli, Nancy Blair, Bob Breglio, George Powell and Phil Hammett, and Student Rep Sally Blair

Absent: None

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Jennie said that she remembers saying that as far as the Cays Park, she wanted the Volleyball court to remain. Linda said she believes that was in the minutes from the previous month.

**Motion:** Hammett motioned to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2003 meeting as corrected.

**Second:** Powell

**Motion passed all voting aye.**

**AGENDA CHANGES:**

None

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

Linda gave out information for the California Parks and Recreation annual awards banquet and invited the Board to attend.

Jennie heard "kudos" on the Winter-Spring Brochure that was mailed to residents the beginning of January.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**1. Director's Report:**

Linda said that the Winter-Spring Brochure went out and indicated that there are a lot of new programs for Teens. She mentioned that we are also reaching out to the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders.

- A. **Tennis Professional/Manager:** Linda said the Selection Committee deserves kudos for sticking with the process. After the second interviews, the Selection Committee made a unanimous decision that will go before the Council on January 20, 2004.
- B. **Distance Buoy Markers at Central Beach:** Linda said that Lifeguard Captain Sean Carey reported that he checked into adding the distance buoys and gave a proposed layout of the buoys. Nancy said the proposal is great.

**Sean Carey, Lifeguard Captain:** Sean said that information about the buoys should include a warning to the public about the coldness of the water and the difference between swimming in a pool and the ocean. He stated that buoys should be installed within a week.

## 2. Boardmembers' Reports

Jennie said the tennis leagues are starting. She reported that Coronado Tennis Association membership is over 400.

Sally Blair reported that construction at the High School continues. The 700 building (administration offices and some classrooms) opened.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 3. **Changes/Improvements recommended for Cays Park:** Jennie said that the Coronado Cays Home Owners' Association (CCHOA) sent a letter in response to the Parks and Recreation Board's letter regarding suggested changes to the Cays Park. The CCHOA requested that no changes be made to the existing park (letter attached).

Linda encouraged the Board to keep their eyes and ears open for suggestions regarding changes to the Cays Park. Linda and Scott Huth, Director of Public Services, are working with Little League on improvements to the baseball field. Linda is working with Soccer on storage issues. She said that if the Volleyball Court is going to be used, it should better maintained.

George asked if the horse shoe pits and volleyball courts are in good shape. Linda said that the volleyball courts need to have the sand replaced and that the barrier around the court might not be the best choice. She said that the horse shoe pits are not in disrepair because they don't need as much maintenance.

Linda said that she would like to see the facilities kept well so they are presentable, safe, welcoming and attractive.

**George Conn, 75 Trinidad Bend;** He said that the restrooms are not adequate when there is a Soccer Tournament, and that the trash issues during the tournament are getting better. He said that the residents would not like having lights added to the Cays Park.

George Powell said that if what we have works, then leave it. He says that we don't need to spend a lot of money taking out what is there.

Phil agrees with George and thinks the Board should monitor the park. He said that when tournaments take place extra trash pick-ups and restrooms should be required.

Nancy agrees that the park should be left alone and to keep up the maintenance of the park facility.

Bob said he likes what he sees in the Cays Park and unless there is a safety issue, it should be left alone. He does not want to see the horseshoe pits removed.

Jennie asked about storage. Linda said a storage area would probably be placed behind court 4 so that it is not seen from the streets. The storage might be permanent storage and would be used for soccer.

Mr. Conn said that the only safety issue he sees is during soccer tournament when children run into the street chasing a ball. He also suggested that the Board look into other alternatives for storage in case Tennis wants to expand.

Phil said the baseball backstop is old and needs repairing.

Linda said an easy fix to keep children from running into the street would be to add a requirement to the contract for field use that says portable fencing is required for all the tournaments. We already required extra porta-potties and trash pick-up.

Bob asked where we will go from here. Linda said that we will keep the Cays facility well maintained, make necessary repairs and improvements, but not make any changes at this time.

**Motion:** Breglio motioned that this issue be considered closed with the City providing necessary repairs and no changes, and that a letter be sent to the CCHOA letting them know the action of the Board.

**Second:** Powell

**Motion passed all voting aye.**

Bob asked to have the issue of storage put back on the agenda so that the Board can review short term and long term problems.

Linda said the current situation is that the fencing at the fire station was being replaced for a security issue. The current storage container was moved and is housing recreation supplies. The soccer association got a smaller container that they are using to store their supplies.

Linda said the city is looking into building a permanent storage structure that would be set up near the new fence around the fire station.

4. **Stop Signs on the Bike Path:** Nancy said that she wrote a letter to the Traffic Operations Committee (TOC) for the Board to review. The letter explains the Board's concern with safety on the bike path due to multiple signs on the bike path.

Jennie said the letter is good but maybe in closing the letter should say that the signs on the bike path should say that bicyclists and pedestrians should follow the "Rules of the Road" according to the California law.

Bob said the sign might say, "Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians are subject to the Motor Vehicle code. Motorists have the right away".

George said he is more confused than before. He said that people aren't going to know what to do unless all present signs are removed and new signs that are easily understood are installed.

Nancy said maybe the signs should say, "Bicyclists yield to autos".

Linda said that the letter should indicate that there is confusion and we want to end that confusion.

George said that perhaps an article should be put in the newspaper. He said a letter to the TOC needs to make the problem real clear and ask them to minimize the number of signs and fix the signage so it is clear.

Linda said that Nancy had talked about stripping in the intersections to help clarify where the bicyclists should ride on the street, and that Nancy should be sure to include that suggestion in the letter.

- Motion:** Nancy Blair made a motion that she write a letter to the TOC regarding signage on the bike path and add stripping to the intersections. She motioned that the letter be sent via the Recreation Director to be presented at the January 22, 2004 TOC meeting.

**Second:** Powell  
**Motion passed all voting aye.**

- 5. **Possible Dates and Times for Facility Use Policy Workshop:** Linda suggested that the attachment list gives possible dates for a Facility Use Policy Workshop. She suggested that the February 23 date is too soon.

Phil asked the time. Linda said from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Phil said both dates work for him. George suggested March 1<sup>st</sup>. Nancy said March 1<sup>st</sup> works for her also.

**Motion:** Powell motioned to have a Facility Use Policy Workshop on March 1.  
**Second:** Blair  
**Motion passed all voting aye.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.**

**Prepared by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Sandra Goodson**

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**Jennie Portelli, Chairperson**