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**Visalia Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2020**

Call to Order/Roll Call

The Visalia Parks & Recreation Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the San Joaquin Room of the Visalia Convention Center (303 E. Acequia Avenue). The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Steven Woods at 5:30pm.

Members Present: Steven Woods, Patrick Lozano, Rick Eastes, Shann Blue and Lisa Walsh

City Staff: Jeremy Rogers, Laurissa Roggenkamp, Alvin Dias, Leslie Caviglia, Azalia Chavez and Kathleen Machado

1. **Public Comment** - None
2. **Review and Approve Minutes**
MOTION: Motion to approve as presented, carried 5-0 PL/RE
3. **Consideration of recommendation to the Visalia City Council to lease the Wittman Community Center to the Police Activities League for \$1 annually, with \$50,000 provided to defray on-going expenses and a one-time \$10,000 to assist with transition expenses – Leslie Caviglia, Assistant City Manager**
MOTION: Motion to support the Staff Recommendation, as presented but with spelling corrections, to Visalia City Council, carried 5-0 PL/SB
4. **Budget Overview Report – Azalia Chavez, Financial Analyst**
5. **Consideration of recommendation to the Visalia City Council to implement policy for Riverway Sports Park facility use of Athletic Fields for game play only – Jeremy Rogers, Community Services Director, Alvin Dias, Parks & Buildings Manager and Laurissa Roggenkamp, Recreation Manager**
Recommendation not supported as presented. Staff instructed by Commission to conduct additional research; to revisit the recommendation at the November meeting for further discussion and consideration.
6. **Update on City Council Reports and City Staff Announcements:**
 - **Recreation Programs/Events – Laurissa Roggenkamp, Recreation Manager**
 - Senior Meal Program update
 - Visalia Senior Center Flooring Project update
 - **Parks & Urban Forestry Projects, Programs and Special Events – Alvin Dias, Parks & Building Maintenance Supervisor**
 - Plaza Park Arbor Replacement Project update
 - Ruiz Park Playground Replacement Project update
 - St. John’s River Trail vehicle traffic update
 - New pump VFD system controller at Stonebrook Park
 - Riverway Sports Park aeration and fertilization update
 - **Administrative Items – Jeremy Rogers, Community Services Director**
 - Recreation Staff layoffs
 - ‘K’-rails at Plaza Park Softball Fields

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7. **Commission Requests and Comments:**

- **Visalia Community Enhancement Foundation Report** – *Lisa Walsh, Commissioner*
 - Celebration of Life Tree Project – memorial bench
 - No fundraisers at this time; hopefully January 2021
- **Greenway Trail Naming Subcommittee** – *Patrick Lozano, Commissioner*
 - No meetings

8. **Adjourn to the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm

MOTION: The motion carried 5-0 SB/PL