

Approved  
Delta County Parks Commission

October 15, 2008, 3:00 p.m. Minutes – Pioneer Trail Park Office – at PTP

I. ROLL CALL 3:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Romps, Lindquist, Thill, Jussila, Ruohomaki, Larrabee, Shirley, Rivard,

ABSENT: Herioux, Fredrickson (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Op. Mgr. Branz, Asst Smith, and Rory Mattson

II. AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Jussila, supported by Thill to approve October 15, 2008 agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Larrabee, supported by Jussila to approve the September 2008 minutes, with correction of date from Sept 24 to Sept. 25. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Discussion was held as to when the minutes are sent out. Will now send out minutes with agenda and paperwork so postage can be saved, and also so everything for next meeting is in same packet. Board was in favor.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS – (Received and sent)

None

V. REPORTS:

**A. Chairman's Report: None**

**B. Operations Manager's Report**

**1) Finances:**

a. Sept. bills - Moved by Thill and supported by Jussila to approve the bills totaling \$3,931.22 (includes estimated per diem for current board meeting). Discussion held. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. County Budget Status - new 2009 was passed out with a few changes to numbers to come to the \$57,000 appropriation.

2) OSHA – Gary discussed the penalties and putting the dollar amount into the Contingency (misc.) line item to cover the bill. Moved by Larrabee, seconded by Jussila to accept Branz's recommendation to pay OSHA based on the negotiated fines. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3) Conservation Dist. Report

a. Branz, Mattson, Shirley, Rivard, Smith and Thill met with DEQ field officer Mike Smolinski. Went to three properties – all site pre-application visits – Sac Bay. Next step – waiting for DEQ to get back to Branz and Mattson – with regards to permitting Sac Bay project. Also discussed mowing permit and snow fence/grass or beach grass for buffer if a 20 x 50 ft sand beach is put in. Discussion was held as to what the board now wants to do. Moved by Larrabee, seconded by Thill to use sand for walkway access to beach. Motion

- b. was rescinded, board will wait for DEQ letter and input from Cindy and Dale Thill going back to residents and ask if a sand beach or a wood boardwalk is more desirable.
  - c. Pavilion Renovation – Rory spoke to Dennis Beauchamp again, regarding what the board was asking him to do, and making sure he understands that we are looking for a price to be able to bid out the project. Dennis was fine with writing the specs for us to go out and bid.
- 4) Road Commission Gas Card – Branz acquired a gas card to purchase fuel as needed for the parks.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- A) Work Session for Mission Statements, Goals and Strategies– Don Shirley had interest from a neighbor Rich Pomazail – Retired College professor, to give a presentation to us with regards to writing mission statements and goals. Don will ask Rich to attend December board meeting/work session. Discussion was held. Worked at writing mission statement and writing down goals for each park as a group. Moved by Larrabee and seconded by Jussila to approve the Mission Statement as follows:

*“It is the mission of the Delta County Parks and Recreation Commission to provide safe, enjoyable, educational, cost effective and environmentally friendly public recreational opportunities for the residents and visitors of Delta County.”*

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion continued with Goals for the entire park system, and then each park was given strategies to carry out the overall goals.

Board was asked to continue to review and plan strategies for each park and overall goals. Another work session will take place at December’s meeting. Rivard discussed the possibility of a permanent millage (ad valorem tax). More discussion to be held.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Kelly notified board that requests for bids for new brochures are coming in and will bring to meeting as soon as compiled.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT & COMMISSIONERS’ CONCERNS

- A) REMEMBER: VOTE – November 4, 2008

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn made by Jussila, seconded by Lindquist. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Kelly Smith, Asst Manager

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Starr Romps, Chairman

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING – WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 3, 2008 –  
STARTING AT 3:00 P.M.

**Please make not of change.**