

## **Minutes Parks and Recreation Board October 21, 2009**

**Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Board meeting held on October 21, 2009 7:00 p.m.,  
Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona.**

**Members Present:**

Frank Granillo, Chair  
Chuy Carreon  
Scott Hamilton  
Ed Roberts  
Don Watkins

**Members Absent:**

Angela Thornton, Vice-Chair

**City Staff Present:**

Travis Dray, Deputy Manager – Parks & Recreation Department  
Jodie Garth, Assistant Recreation Coordinator – Parks & Recreation Department  
Michelle Konnath, Special Events Supervisor – Parks & Recreation Department  
David Bucher, Recreation Supervisor – Parks & Recreation Department  
Sam Thompson, Deputy Manager – Parks & Recreation Department  
Lucy Morales, Senior Management Assistant – Public Works

**Meeting convened at 7:03 p.m.**

**Frank Granillo** called the meeting to order.

**Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes:**

The minutes of the September 16, 2009 meeting were accepted.

**Agenda Item 2 – Recycling Pilot Program for Sports Field Users**

**Sam Thompson, Deputy Manager – Parks & Recreation Department and Lucy Morales, Senior Management Assistant – Public Works presented information on plans to encourage recycling at various events and activities in Tempe.**

1. Currently, the city provides recycling opportunities for homeowners, apartment dwellers, commercial businesses, schools and at various curbside locations.
2. A request was made to implement a pilot program to collect recyclables such as bottles and cans from sporting events held in Tempe.

3. People are becoming more environmentally aware and are looking for ways to recycle and reduce waste.
4. A recycling/recovery plan has been developed.
5. The main goal is to collect clean recyclables and to minimize contamination.
6. The city has to pay for landfill usage, but actually collects from recyclables.
7. Events staff, promoters and vendors will need to be informed about proper collection procedures.
8. The board was shown various items that can and cannot be recycled.
9. Signs will be displayed to inform park users about recycling opportunities.

**General Discussion by the Committee:**

- Vendors will receive information on recycling prior to the event(s).
- This pilot program will be first be utilized a smaller sporting activities and events and eventually move on to the larger events.
- Coaches and users for an upcoming soccer tournament will get information on the recycling program as well as the new field use policies at a meeting that is scheduled for November 2 at the Pyle Center.
- Recycling information is available on the web in English and Spanish.
- Participants and spectators will be asked to provide clean, dry and empty recyclables.
- On November 14, a recycling event will be held to allow residents to shred documents, recycle plastic bags and other items for recycling.

**Agenda Item 3 – Kiwanis Wave Pool CIP Project - Update**

**David Bucher, Kiwanis Recreation Center Supervisor, spoke about the upcoming installation of new wave equipment in the Kiwanis wave pool.**

1. Last year the tennis court complex was renovated.
2. This year the wave generation pool equipment will be replaced this year.
3. The pool filters will also be replaced and ultra-violet sanitation will be used as a secondary system to chlorination to prevent water borne illnesses.
4. Some structural repairs will be made as well.
5. Improvements to the airflow will also be implemented.
6. They will also look at improving the lighting and PA system.
7. The Escalante pool needs will also be addressed.
8. All of the projects should be completed by the end of June 2010.

**Agenda Item 4 – Tempe Town Lake - Update**

**Michelle Konnath, Special Events Supervisor, provided updates to the board on activities at Tempe Town Lake.**

1. The inaugural Arizona Fall Frenzy was very successful.
2. Arizona Game will have the Trout release on Tuesday, November 24, 2 – 5 p.m.
3. A free boating day will be held on November 7, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
4. The Tempe Town Lake Turns Ten Celebration will be held in conjunction with the Boat Parade on December 12.
5. The contract for the small boat rentals was not renewed.
6. Rio Lago will continue to provide large tour boats rentals.
7. The bladder replacements may begin in January.
8. Upcoming events include the Half Ironman this weekend and the Ironman on November 22.

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9. The Block Party will be moved to the area of 3<sup>rd</sup> St instead of Tempe Beach Park.
  10. The Fantasy of Lights opening night parade will be held on Friday, November 27.
  11. The Farmers Market will start this Sunday at 6<sup>th</sup> Street Park from 7:00 to 4:00 p.m. and will be held every Sunday through Mother's Day weekend, weather permitting.

#### **Agenda Item 5 – Chair/Board Comments**

Frank Granillo congratulated the staff on the Play Day event.

Scott Hamilton read the article regarding the upcoming installation of 600 trees as a part of the Kiwanis Park renovations.

Chuy, Ed, Robert and Don complimented the staff and residents on making Tempe a great place to live.

#### **Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.**

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