



AGENDA REPORT

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: RECREATION BOARD

MEETING DATE: JANUARY 5, 2005

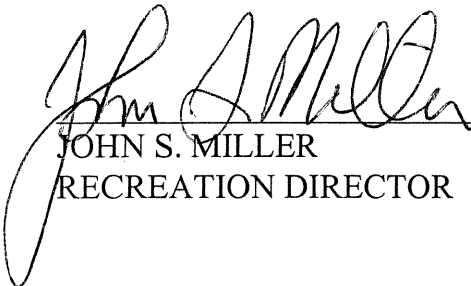
SUBJECT: RECREATION BOARD MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2004

RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 9, 2004
RECREATION BOARD MEETING.

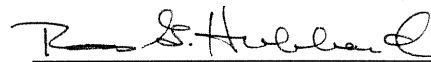
FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



JOHN S. MILLER
RECREATION DIRECTOR

REVIEWED BY,



ROSS G. HUBBARD
CITY MANAGER

**PACIFIC GROVE RECREATION DEPARTMENT
RECREATION BOARD
Minutes – Regular Meeting - Tuesday, November 9, 2004**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Board chair Gary Anderson.
2. Members present: Bell; Manuian and Tansill. Absent: Cotham
3. All items listed under the consent agenda were approved.
4. There were no oral communications.

By unanimous vote of the Recreation Board, item 8d, 8a, 8b, and 7a (in that order) were moved to this portion of the agenda to accommodate the many guests in the audience.

- 8d. Local contractor Mark Travaille, who was awarded the bid for the reconstruction work at Chautauqua Hall, came to the meeting to answer any questions the Recreation Board member might have about the project. He said expects to begin work in February and believes at this time that the work will take about one month to complete, barring complications.
- 8a. Michelle House, Tobacco Control head for Monterey County, addressed the Recreation Board about the growing trend in many California cities to adopt no-smoking policies at public beaches. Most of the cities so far have been in Southern California; however Santa Cruz and Capitola city councils recently adopted ordinances prohibiting smoking. Pacific Grove would be the first in Monterey County, she said, should the Council decide to take this step. She explained the problem of cigarette litter on beaches as well as the health hazard to people and shore animals such as birds and mammals and urged the Recreation Board to consider recommending to Council that they look into banning smoking at Lovers Point Beach, since it is the primary public beach in the City. Her plan would include putting smokeless cigarette receptacles along the staircases leading to the sand area at Lovers Point and posting signs urging smokers to use these. Her department budget would cover all signage and receptacles. The Recreation Board unanimously agreed to recommend that City Council investigate adopting a policy prohibiting smoking at Lovers Point Beach.
- 8b. The Recreation Board also unanimously chose to post no-smoking signs at the City's playground and tot lots. This prohibition has been in effect for a number of years. Although posted signs are not required, the Recreation Director thought this might deter the public from smoking in our playground areas.
- 7a. The Board considered the applications of several residents who were interested in serving on the ad-hoc Skate Park Committee. The Board recommended seven voting members be on the committee. Three of the spots were already designated (Rec Board member, Chamber of Commerce member, and City Council member). One spot was to be held by a student, the final three could be at-large. The following were recommended: Matt Bell (Rec Board); Michelle Pisciotta (Chamber rep); Derek Hanneman (student). The three at-large spots went to: Brenda Roncarati, Steven Polkabra, and Shelly Holt. Babs du Pont Hanneman and student Sean Paulhus were recommended as alternates. Another individual, Rod Rodrigues, was selected to be a technical (non-voting) advisor. He grew up in Pacific Grove but now resides in Carmel Highlands. He is extremely well-informed about skate parks and the Recreation Board believes his knowledge will be invaluable. The City Council will select one of its own to serve on this committee at the next Council meeting. Derek Hanneman and two of his young skating friends spoke at length about their passion for a skate park and their desire to help make it a reality.

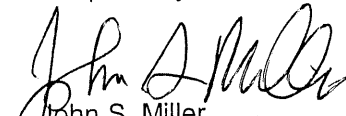
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- 6a. Coordinator Amber Alewine reported about the Youth Center activities. She said nearly 190 students came to the Halloween Dance and had a great time. She had 81 contestants in the "Fear Factor" competition. The Red Ribbon (anti-drug/alcohol) Week activities were popular and included student pledges to live drug free and a poem/artwork display at the Youth Center on this topic. Next for the Youth Center: a free throw contest and mini karaoke contest. Finally, Amber praised the tremendous support the Youth Center continues to receive from local businesses and individuals.
- 6b. Senior Coordinator Don Mothershead reported that youth soccer has only two more Saturdays left. The youth basketball skills contest will take place at the PGHS gym on Saturday, November 13. Almost 240 students in grades K-8 have registered to play youth basketball. The sectional level of the NFL Punt, Pass and Kick competition took place on October 16th. Of the 27 participants, five were from Pacific Grove. Adult socko is almost over and – weather permitting – the playoffs will begin on November 10th. Adult basketball is set to begin on January 9th.
- 6c. Coordinator Christina Ferrante reported that she is reviewing the fees paid by the professional providers and plans to increase them for the new year, based on the size of the room used and the number of hours of use. She plans to give a PowerPoint presentation to the Recreation Board next month.
- 8c. The Recreation Board reviewed and considered a letter from Greg Bullock, president of the Chautauqua Dance Club, requesting the use of Chautauqua Hall for a New Year's Eve dance party. The group, which normally meets on Saturday nights, would like to hold an event until 12:30 a.m. The Recreation Board saw no reason to object and unanimously recommended this request be sent to City Council for its approval.
- 8e. The Recreation Board reviewed the bid from Saviano Company to resurface the Morris Dill Tennis Courts. Awarding of this bid will be approved by City Council on November 17.

The meeting adjourned at . The next meeting of the Recreation Board will be a special meeting, held on Tuesday, December 7, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pacific Grove Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,


John S. Miller
Director of Recreation