

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

Parks, Beaches & Recreation Commission

Regular Meeting

August 5, 2008 - 7pm

Convened 7:10pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Tim Brown, Chair
 Debra Allen (outgoing commissioner)
 Bill Garrett
 Kathy Hamilton (incoming commissioner)
 Phillip Lugar
 Marie Marston
 Greg Ruzicka
 Cristine Trapp

Staff: Mark Harmon, General Services Director
 Dan Sereno, Parks & Trees Superintendent
 Teri Craig, Admin Asst

PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING COMMISSIONER - Chair Brown presented an inscribed gavel to Commissioner Allen and congratulated her for her Civil Service Board appointment.

Chair Brown thanked Commissioner Allen for her 8 years of work specifically her work on the Council G-1 Policy.

Director Harmon also thanked her for her work on the G-1 Policy and for her patience and support of staff.

Commissioner Allen stated that during her tenure the City had opened two sports parks - Arroyo and Bonita Canyon and one view park - Back Bay View Park. She noted that her greatest personal achievement was the G-1 Policy and believes that the policy respects the view of the terrace community with CC&R's and the beauty of trees in the City. She thanked the Commission and staff for their support.

SEATING OF NEW COMMISSIONER - Kathy Hamilton joined the Commissioner. Commissioner Hamilton stated that she has lived in CdM for 40 years and loves the City. She looks forward to working with the Commission.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Brown opened the nominations for **Chair** for FY 2008/09.

Motion by Commissioner Garrett to nominate Commissioner Marston as Chair.

Hearing no other nominations, Chair Brown closed the nominations for Chair.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chair Brown opened the nominations for **Vice Chair** for FY 2008/09.

Motion by Chair Brown to nominate Commissioner Trapp as Vice Chair.

Hearing no other nominations, Chair Brown closed the nominations for Chair.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Admin Asst Craig announced that Acting Director Levin and wife Shannon had a baby 3½ weeks early.

Commissioner Brown reminded the Commission to attend *SunDay FunDay* at Bonita Canyon Sports Park on August 17 at 2pm.

Director Harmon updated the Commission on the Schuler Bench Donation. He stated that the plaque had been placed with all parties satisfied with the outcome. He noted that the City had survived another July 4th with 12 tons of garbage removed from the CdM State Beach and credited the General Services staff for all their hard work during the three day holiday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Minutes of the June 3, 2008 regular meeting.** Waive reading of subject minutes, approve and order filed.
2. **Park & Operations Division Activity Report.** Receive/file monthly Activity Report for activities and upcoming projects.
3. **Recreation & Senior Services Activity Report.** Receive/file monthly Activity Report for activities and upcoming projects.

Motion by Chair Marston to accept items 1-3 of the Consent Calendar. Motion carried by acclamation.

ACTION

Commissioner Brown suggested to the Commission that items 4-7 could be completed in one motion.

4. **Bench Donation Request.** Bench donation by Mr. Batelli and Mr. Gainey to be located on C Street and the boardwalk.
5. **Bench Donation Request.** Bench donation by Virginia McCully to be located at Ensign View Park
6. **Bench Donation Request.** Bench donation by Gayle Gardner to be located on 9th Street and the boardwalk.
7. **Bench Donation Request.** Bench donation by Balboa Island Community to be located adjacent to 320 Marine Ave.

Chair Marston opened the public discussion of items 4-7; hearing none the public discussion was closed.

Motion by Chair Marston to approve items 4-7. Motion carried by acclamation.

8. **Tree Donation Request.** Tree donation by Kristen DeCarbo to be located at Mariners Park.

Chair Marston opened the public discussion; hearing none the public discussion was closed.

Motion by Chair Marston to approve tree donation request by Kristen Decarbo to be located at Mariners Park. Motion carried by acclamation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS -

Parks - Chair Marston appointed herself to replace Commissioner Allen. Commissioner Trapp will serve as an alternate. Commissioner Brown will act as Chair.

Commissioner Brown stated that a meeting would be set for sometime in September to discuss the status of parks in the City.

RSS - Chair Marston appointed Commissioner Trapp as an additional member of the committee. Commissioner Trapp will serve as Chair.

Nothing to report

Budget - Sunset until next year.

AD- Hoc

–Youth Sports Liaison - Nothing to report

–Community Services Award - Nothing to report

–Budget - Nothing to report

Other

–Santa Ana River Vision Plan - Sunset

–1/1 Marine Memorial Committee - Sunset

–MarinaPark - Commissioner Garrett stated that the committee work is almost complete, as the next phase will include the EIR.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following are new or ongoing items to be discussed:

- City Council Policy B-17 - Future
- Dog Park
- Parking Signage at Back Bay View Park

Discussion ensued regarding a no smoking ordinance. Commissioner Garrett requested that it be added to a future agenda to discuss possible first steps, if appropriate.

ADJOURNED- 7:45pm

Submitted by: _____
Teri Craig, Admin Assistant