

**CITY OF CAMPBELL
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
CAMPBELL, CALIFORNIA
May 1, 2019
MINUTES**

The Parks and Recreation Commission convened in a special meeting on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 7:00 pm, at the Campbell City Hall, Council Chambers, 70 N. First Street, Campbell CA.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Doherty, Ishibashi, Fidrych, Mitchell, Teeter,
Absent: Beitz, Abraham (excused)
STAFF: Recreation Services Manager Bissell, Public Works Parks Director Capurso, Recording Secretary Joy Francois

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MSC: Doherty/Mitchell to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Parks and Recreation Commission of April 3, 2019.

AYES: Ishibashi, Teeter, Doherty, Mitchell

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Fidrych

Oral Requests:

NONE.

Old Business:

A. FY 2019-20 Work Plan Approval

Ms. Bissell included the revised FY19/20 Work Plan in the packet. Fidrych felt that the Commission roles are missing from the Work Plan – such as gather feedback from members of the community. He feels that should be one of the goals.

Ms. Bissell stated that this is more a part of ongoing responsibilities. We can switch Good of the Game to Community Feedback.

Ishibashi proposed that we just give feedback at the end of the memos.

MSC: Doherty/Teeter to approve the FY 19-20 Work Plan as presented.

AYES: Doherty, Teeter, Mitchell, Ishibashi, Fidrych

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Committee Reports:

Parks and Creek Trail: Chair Fidrych said he stopped at Campbell Park on the way to the meeting, it was being heavily used. Teeter said she sees the same thing when she walks by there. Doherty said she sees the same at JDM, Edith Morley Park. She never realized until she tried to climb up the slide structure at JDM how tall it is.

Trees: Chair Mitchell had nothing to report.

Special Events: Chair Abraham is not here. Commissioner Mitchell said the Bunnies and Bonnets parade was fun, the weather was good. She is amazed at what Campbell does for the community and how much the community supports the events. Campbell is a pretty special place.

Staff Reports:

A. Parks: Public Works Director Capurso

- This year the Public Works staff who have worked on floats in the past for the parade, teamed up with some Recreation staff and the Youth Commission and an organization called Families with Children with Special Needs. They are the ones that had the band playing in the parade. We will go to Council at some point and give them some recognition. They regularly clean up a few of our sites a couple of days a week.
- Special recognition to a local small business called Balloonatics for all their help this year for the parade.
- Last week we had the Great American Litter Pick Up. We had nearly 200 participants that picked up 46 bags of debris. We had a great turnout of volunteers in all the areas.
- We are continuing to work with the Campbell Parks Foundation regarding the installation of the Par Course exercise equipment. The equipment is all in; the signage and the sponsorship plaques have not been installed yet. We will continue our effort to get that done. We did just encounter an Eagle Scout who is looking for a project so we will see if we can line him up with this project.
- We began work on the Creek Trail to do our annual weed abatement.
- Our next volunteer project will be at Edith Morley Park where we will replace some of the split rail fencing.
- We will be going to Council next week to propose transitioning to contractual services for landscape median maintenance.
- We had a kickoff meeting today with our Park in Lieu Fee consultant.
- Regarding the General Plan, we are trying to reconvene the GPAC. That's been a challenge. Not much to report.
- He would like to highlight the survey for Campbell Park. Please participate. An email was sent out by Recreation.
- The third week in May is National Public Works Week so you are all invited to the Public Works BBQ/Open House, Tuesday May 21, at the Service Center, from 11:30 to 1:00.

B. Recreation & Community Services – Recreation Manager Bissell

- The Summer Activity Guide is now out.
- Camp and swim lesson registration has been open since March.

- This Saturday there is a dance recital at the Heritage Theatre from 8:45 to 1:00; volunteers are needed.
- The preschool graduation will be held May 22 and 23 at JDM.
- Misty Booth is retiring in June after 35 years with the City. Jenny Bybee will fill in for her position for the summer and we will do a recruitment after summer.
- Do we want to cancel or move the July meeting? I will agendize it for next month's meeting.

Good of the Game

Commissioner Teeter said going back to the parade and Eggstravaganza – she's never seen so many people. The actual egg hunt is about 30 seconds. There were a lot of people from outside of Campbell. People were so happy and thankful that the City puts this on.

Commissioner Ishibashi said he was going to say the same as Commissioner Teeter. His wife's friends came from Menlo Park and Redwood City for the egg hunt.

Commissioner Fidrych shared that he was on vacation last week and his daughter met a friend there and he was talking to the mom, she's from Europe and the conversation turned to parks. She said that when she was small she remembered going to parks to see the flowers and art, then she mentioned Campbell Park. It's a great park if you're into health. You go from Campbell to Los Gatos there's no art. He never thought of parks as a place to go to see art and flowers. He was surprised by this. Perhaps we should think about this as we plan the new parks.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Joy Francois, Recording Secretary