

SIERRA VISTA PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 13, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Sierra Vista Park and Recreation Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Oscar Yrun Community Center, 3020 E. Tacoma Street, Sierra Vista, Arizona 85635.

**ROLL CALL**

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| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Wesley Hewitt  | Scott Weiss  |
|                  | Ryan Hightower | Joy Mims     |
|                  | Larry Hampton  | Rosi Southee |

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| MEMBERS ABSENT: | Scott Loucks | Brad Dale |
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| OTHERS PRESENT: | Victoria Yarbrough |
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**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

Joy Mims made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Ryan Hightower seconded the motion.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The motion carried.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 4, 2014**

Scott Weiss made a motion to accept the minutes from November 4, 2014 as written. Ryan Hightower seconded the motion.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The motion carried.

## **LEISURE SERVICES REPORT**

Victoria discussed an article that appeared in Sunday's paper concerning the City's budget. The department will be preparing recommendations to present to City Council as a part of the budget proposal that will affect all buildings and services and let council know how much it will cost to continue to support our current services.

The strategic plan is approaching; this commission has already been active with a couple of items that will be included from last year to present to City Council. Victoria asked members to be thinking of some more suggestions.

The City Council presentation will be in April, not sure of the date yet.

## **CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT**

Nothing to report, Councilman Blanchard was absent.

## **CALL TO PUBLIC**

Mayor Mueller was present and also mentioned the article in Sunday's paper. Important to know that this is part of the budget process. A lot of the numbers will not be firmed up until February and the council will look at all departments, not just Leisure & Library Services. He is confident that Council will put everything on the table and come up with ways to keep moving on as a profitable city.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Veterans Park Playground**

Construction on this will begin in the next couple of weeks.

### **2. Proposed SV Trail Expansion**

There was nothing new to report, this is a strategic plan item.

### **3. West End Linear Park**

This is also a strategic plan item. There are a few things going on with Fry Township so Victoria will look into this and report back later.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Election of New Officers**

Joy stated she was okay with continuing on as Vice Chairperson and then nominated Wesley Hewitt to continue on as Chairman.

Joy Mims made a motion to nominate Wesley Hewitt as Chairman. Scott Weiss seconded the motion.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The motion carried.

Scott Weiss made a motion to nominate Joy Mims as Vice Chairperson. Rosi Southee seconded the motion.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The motion carried

### **2. Kings Court**

Wes briefed the commission on why this item is back on the agenda. He stated he would like to support a modified strategic plan item to put money into putting tennis courts in a new location, he does not believe Kings Court is a safe environment. Scott Weiss stated we should be sensitive to the budget – there are 6 good courts and 8 playable courts out of the 12 there. He agrees the buildings are not in good condition at all, but believes there would be a major lag time in selling the property and thinks the courts and restrooms are worth utilizing.

A discussion was held on what the city pays to maintain the facility and the approximate cost of new courts. Victoria stated the facility is in an underserved area for parks, the open space plan tries to have parks within a ¼ mile of neighborhoods, and this is a consideration to keep in mind.

Ryan stated that he would like to see it sold, but we should still continue to utilize it until that happens, as long as it is not a burden on the city's budget. His only concern is the City would be liable if anything were to happen.

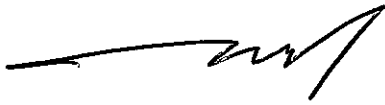
Wes would like to keep this item on the agenda so that the commission can monitor what is going on with it.

## **REQUESTS OF COMMISSION**

Larry Hampton stated he was pleased to be back on the commission and gave the members a brief summary of what he has to offer.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



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Wesley Hewitt  
Chairman