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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE SCHEDULED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2003, IN THE LIBRARY BASEMENT, CLARKDALE, ARIZONA.**

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Monday, January 13, 2003 at 1:00 pm in the basement of the Clarkdale Memorial Library.

Parks and Recreation Commission:

Chairperson:	Tom Evans
Vice Chairperson:	Elizabeth Rose Augusto
Commissioners:	Rodney Fielitz Ed Knight-absent Dewey Reiersen
Staff:	Gayle Mabery, Town Manager Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk Coleen Gilboy, Finance Director Beth Escobar, Grants Administrator
Members of the Public:	Mr. Jess Valdez Ellie Bauer, Vice-Mayor Leslie Owens, Director, Buena Vista Children's Services

Chairperson Evans called the meeting to order at 1:03.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Valdez informed the commission that he has a lot of information from his research on the historic Centerville trail that he can share with the commission.

Vice Mayor Bauer stated that she would like to encourage the Commission to expand its vision to include more programs for all ages.

Vice Chair Augusto moved that the Commission change the order of agenda, taking item #3 next. Chairperson Evans seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Presentation from Buena Vista Children Services:**

Ms. Owens gave a brief presentation on the After School Activities Program, an after-school and summer school program funded by a 21<sup>st</sup> century grant from the Department of Education. This program will be offered in Clarkdale, Cottonwood, and two locations in Camp Verde. The after school program will begin in March, and the summer program will begin in June. The summer program will be a 6-8 week program. It will run from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. The program will be curriculum based with some remedial

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components, some physical and art activities.

Quality staff will be hired that meet the State standards. Fees will be based on DES eligibility and a volunteer sliding scale. The program must become self-sustaining in 5 years.

Ms. Owens stated that this is a great opportunity to work collaboratively, and that she can work within whatever framework the Commission and staff design. Options include supplementing teacher salary for the ASAP program and not offering a separate summer program, or working the summer program in with the ASAP program which will be offered at the Clarkdale-Jerome school.

Chairperson Evans moved that staff and the Commission schedule a work-session to plan the summer program. Vice Chair Augusto seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson Evans thanked Ms. Owens for her report. Ms. Owens departed the meeting along with staff members Gilboy, Mabery, and Driscoll and Vice-Mayor Bauer.

#### **Chairperson's Report:**

Commissioner Reiersen introduced himself to the Commission.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Vice Chair Augusto moved the minutes from December 16, 2002 be approved. Chairperson Evans seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Agenda Items:**

##### **Budget Plan:**

The Commission voted to table agenda item #4 regarding the budget until staff can provide a detailed report on budget amounts.

##### **Caballero Park:**

The Commission voted to postpone discussion on planning an event for Caballero Park.

##### **Tour of Town Parks:**

The Commissioners agreed to meet next Wednesday, January 22 at 1:00 at the Town Hall to take a tour of all Town parks. Grant Administrator Escobar will contact

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Commissioner Knight to let him know about the tour.

**Playground Equipment for Clarkdale-Jerome School:**

Commissioner Fielitz gave a report on his efforts to obtain equipment for the Clarkdale-Jerome school playground.

The commission discussed sponsoring a fund raiser to get money to purchase equipment for the school, including having a cookout during one of the summer concerts.

Chairperson Evans asked Grant Administrator Escobar to research whether there is any used playground equipment being stored by the Town.

Chairperson Evans requested that it be on the record that the Commission supports the continuation of the summer concert series.

Chairperson Evans also requested that the Town Council advise the Parks & Recreation Commission as to the quality of trails to be installed in the future so that the Commission can determine the cost for these trails. Chairperson Evans also requested that each Commissioner be given a full size land use map.

**Future Agenda Items:**

The following agenda items were identified for the January meeting:

- Budget planning for the 02/03 fiscal year.
- Chairperson Evans will report on the impact on storm-water runoff and wastewater on parks and trails.
- Planning an event for Caballero Park
- Assistance with Clarkdale-Jerome school playground equipment purchase

**Adjournment:** With no further discussion items, Commissioner Fielitz moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Reierson seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned the 2:34p.m.

Submitted:

Approved:

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Beth Escobar, Grants Administrator

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Tom Evans, Chairperson

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