

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
OF THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE**

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Wednesday, March 9, 2011, at 5:30 p.m., in the Men's Lounge of the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

Chairperson: Lynda Zanolli (Absent)
Commissioners: Barbara Van Wye
Debbie Pickard
Shannon Westcott
Vacant

Town Staff:
Community Development Director: Sherry Bailey

Others in Attendance: JD Maddy, Karen Maddy

AGENDA ITEM: CALL TO ORDER – Vice Chairperson Van Wye called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. It was noted that a quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM: PUBLIC COMMENT –

JD Maddy - Requested that the Commission identify a community area that will promote the sky star park concept. He provided the Commission with the Global StarPark Network 'One Star At A Time' brochure explaining that the park would be a gathering place for the public to view the dark skies. The park proposed in the Highlands Development located at Mescal Spur and Old Jerome Highway could incorporate this concept as one of the uses of the park.

Karen Maddy - Community outreach and education programs could be offered at the Highlands Development park. She would like to see this park add to the benefits of our community. The park could include an event center similar to the Clarkdale Town Park and a community garden. Programs offered at the park could include a Solar System Sidewalk program similar to the Silver City, New Mexico experience as well as Recycling Programs.

AGENDA ITEM: MINUTES - Discussion and consideration of minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 9, 2011.

Commissioner Pickard motioned to approve the Regular Meeting minutes for February 9, 2011 as written. Commissioner Westcott seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEM: PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN – A work session to discuss the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

There was open discussion on programming, including:

- The long term goal to establish a community center where activities could be held throughout the year.
- Seminars/Speakers - schedule every quarter and hold in the library.
- Coordinate with partners including non-profits and individuals with expertise as well as partnering with our local resources - schools, churches, Chamber of Commerce, Yavapai-Apache Nation, etc.
- Reading to children
- Teen Nights
- Inter-generational programs
- Free programs in the park
- Community Resource Center/Information Referral Resource, including page on website
- Outdoor track
- Hotline for teens - work with others to establish mentoring programs, possibly Mingus Union High School
- Physical, medical and spiritual programs
- Garden area
- Establish Volunteer Coordinator/information and referral
- Social Media for businesses
- Sustainability/Recycling

There was open discussion on developing a community like 30 years ago when communities took care of each other.

AGENDA ITEM: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Listing of items to appear on future agendas.

Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Clarkdale Pool

Highland Subdivision Parks

Clarkdale Sustainability Park Update

AGENDA ITEM: ADJOURNMENT-With no further business before the board and with no objection, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

APPROVED:



Lynda Zanolli
Chairperson

SUBMITTED BY:



Dawn Norman
Community Services Supervisor