



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY HALL KIVA
3939 DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008**

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Robert Frost, Chair
John Faramelli, Vice Chair
George Adams
Jeanne Alspaugh
James Duchene (arrived at 5:03 p.m.)
Ron King

ABSENT: Ronald Petersen

STAFF: Scott D. Anderson, Recreation Coordinator
Linda Ayres, Recreation Coordinator
Leslie Clark, Parks and Recreation Manager
Trina Clemens, Admin Secretary
Kathleen Corea, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Terry Erickson, Sr. Recreation Coordinator
Paul Germinaro, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Liz Hildenbrandt, Senior Recreation Coordinator
Stephanie Johnson, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Mark Lescoe, Recreation Coordinator
Maureen McFadzen, Recreation Coordinator
Dan Miller, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
William Murphy, Parks and Recreation Director
Doug Nesselroad, Parks & Recreation Manager
Tim Nisbet, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Lorelei Oien, Admin Secretary
Mike Sepulveda, Teen Programmer
Jessica Watkins, Assistant Recreation Coordinator
Candice Winters, Assistant Recreation Coordinator

GUESTS: Alexis Christenson, Executive Director of Arizona Hemophilia Association

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Frost called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

A formal roll call confirmed members present as stated above, noting the presence of a quorum.

3. **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

At the request of Chair Frost, a moment of silence was observed.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of May 7, 2008.

VICE CHAIR FARELLI MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2008 REGULAR MEETING. COMMISSIONER KING SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF FIVE (5) TO ZERO (0). COMMISSIONER DUCHENE WAS NOT PRESENT.

5. **ARIZONA HEMOPHILIA ASSOCIATION 5K WALK CO-SPONSORSHIP**

Kathleen Corea, Assistant Recreation Coordinator, Facility Booking/Leisure Education Office, is providing the Commission with the Arizona Hemophilia Association request for City co-sponsorship. The organization is hosting a 5k walk. Money raised during this event supports the ongoing work of the Arizona Hemophilia Association, which provides local programs and services for those who have bleeding disorders.

Ms. Corea presented a co-sponsorship request from the Arizona Hemophilia Association. The non-profit organization has asked the City of Scottsdale to co-sponsor its 5k walk. The fundraiser is to be held at Chaparral Park on Sunday, September 28. The total cost for the park contract, without a co-sponsorship, would cost the AHA \$332. Staff requested that the Commission consider waiving \$325.00 of the park fees, leaving a \$7 processing fee.

Ms. Christenson provided a brief summary of the AHA. The organization helps provide financial assistance for medication, educational programs, and DNA testing for people with bleeding disorders. The funds that are raised at the 5K walk would be used to support those programs and services. The event is expected to last three hours.

Commissioner King expressed his support for the co-sponsorship. He requested that staff provide a report on the amount of out-of-pocket fees non-profits have had to pay for co-sponsorships in the past two years. He felt it sends the wrong message to nickel and dime non-profit organizations in this way.

COMMISSIONER KING MOVED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE ARIZONA HEMOPHILIA ASSOCIATION 5K WALK CO-SPONSORSHIP TO WAIVE FACILITY USE FEES OF \$325.00, AS SUBMITTED. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOTE OF SIX (6) TO ZERO (0).

6. SUMMER 2008 - THE PLACE TO BE IS SCOTTSDALE PARKS AND RECREATION

Recreation staff will update the Commission on our upcoming summer programs, classes, and special events.

The staff of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation presented a skit to illustrate the Department's summer programs for kids. Mighty Mud Mania, Wet and Wild, Fourth of July at Scottsdale Stadium, week-long junior golf camps, art programs, leisure education programs, yoga classes, zumba fitness, swimming and diving teams, dive-in movies, and adaptive recreation programs are some of the offerings this summer.

Ms. Hildenbrandt presented charts depicting various registration figures. There are still spaces available in many programs. Registrations can be taken on the City's website, or by phone at (480) 312-7957.

7. YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM UPDATES

Scott D. Anderson, Recreation Coordinator, will give a brief overview of Youth Sports programs. Paul Germinaro, Assistant Recreation Coordinator, will be discussing new Youth Sports summer programs.

Mr. Anderson presented an overview of the Youth Sports programs. The program has a budget \$210,000, and offers flag football, volleyball, dodgeball, basketball, track and field, sports camps, and assists with the summer recreation programs. Flag football drew 525 participants ranging from 4th to 8th grade. Volleyball had 288 participants. Dodgeball season attracted 110 participants from the 7th and 8th grades.

Basketball runs through winter and spring and this year had 611 participants. The season ends with the Rising Stars Basketball Tournament, featuring four on four competition. Youth Sports runs the middle school track and field events, while the schools provide the coaches. Nine middle schools compete for seven weeks, ending in an all-schools track meet. Youth Sports Track also runs a five-week season for children in 1st through 8th grades.

Mr. Germinaro highlighted several new summer camps that will be offered this year. They are weeklong intensive programs that cover baseball, basketball, volleyball, and non-contact football. The goal is to offer a more serious tone to prepare youth for the upcoming seasons, and the camps will utilize high school coaches.

Youth Sports has about 2,900 registration participants and about 45,000 participant contacts. Discussions are underway to determine how to better incorporate Youth Sports with the Fit City program.

In response to Commissioner Duchene, Mr. Anderson said there are plans to expand dodgeball to 6th grade as well.

Vice Chair Faramelli inquired whether the Ice Den has ever been considered as a location for youth sports programs. Mr. Anderson said the Ice Den has been a destination for summer excursions. He said he would look into possible sports programs there.

8. HORIZON PARK PROGRAM UPDATE

Maureen McFadzen, Recreation Coordinator, will present an overview of Horizon Park. Maureen will also introduce Candice Winters, Assistant Recreation Coordinator, who will present information on the Horizon After School program and Mike Sepulveda, Teen Programmer, who will present on our Horizon Teen Program.

Ms. McFadzen reported that Horizon's operating budget is \$513,055. The Horizon After School Program provides service to 104 children from three elementary schools, while the Teen Program provides service to 64 teens.

Horizon Park facilities include a 15,000 square foot community center, with a recreation room that is open to the public and a performing stage. The park is 95 acres, has four lighted softball fields, three lighted basketball courts, four lighted sand volleyball courts, two lighted tennis courts, and a dog park. Ninety-one leisure education classes are hosted at Horizon Park. In one year, Horizon handles 801 park bookings, and 494 community center bookings.

9. COMMISSIONER REPORT

The Commissioners will give updates on events and activities they have attended since the last Commission meeting.

Commissioner King praised the quality of the garden on the northeast side of Chaparral Park, describing it as a hidden gem.

Chair Frost said the landscaping on the corner of Chaparral Park at Hayden Road and Chaparral Road looks great.

Chair Frost announced that there will be another citizen meeting to discuss the site plan for Troon North Park on May 29 at Troon Country Club.

Commissioner Duchene said the Troon North process has enlightened him on how various City Departments work together to obtain citizen input and ensure that all user groups are recognized. He suggested the City could do a better job of promoting all the award winning park designs that Scottsdale has.

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORT OF CURRENT EVENTS (A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K))

William Murphy, Parks and Recreation Director, will update the Commission on the status of events and activities of the Parks and Recreation, and Parks and Grounds Management Divisions. This includes, but is not limited to, updates on programming, special events, calendars, and upcoming meetings.

Mr. Murphy reported that the McCormick Concert Series continues through July 13. The number of patrons using the train has increased almost 20% and revenue has increased by 9% over last year.

The Summer Youth Baseball program has just concluded at Scottsdale Stadium. May has also been busy with receptions and corporate rentals at the stadium. Saguro High School will hold graduation on May 28.

The Scottsdale Sports complex hosted the U.S. Adult Soccer Association Regional Cup. Teams came from throughout the western U.S. The complex will be closed for restoration from June 2 through the 21st.

A citizen meeting will be held on May 27 to provide updates on the Eldorado Park Master Plan. City Council has approved renovation work for the Eldorado north lake. Work should be concluded by September.

Changes have been made to the youth sports field allocation policy, and will be presented to the City Council in July.

In response to Vice Chair Faramelli's inquiry about the scope of work for City Hall lagoon renovation, Mr. Murphy said the total amount of water will be reduced, and fill will be brought in to elevate the lagoon. Edges will be rounded to improve circulation. The project should begin in June for September completion.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizens may address the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission during Public Comment. This "Public Comment" time is reserved for citizen comments regarding non-agendized items. However, Arizona State Law prohibits the Parks and Recreation Commission from discussing or taking action on an item that is not on the prepared agenda.

No members of the public wished to address the Commission.

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, and no need for an executive session, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
AV-Tronics, Inc.

Meets established criteria.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William B. Murphy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'W'.

William B. Murphy, Director
Parks and Recreation