

Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission

**County Administrative Center
1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1st Floor
Board of Supervisors Chambers
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
6:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Kern County Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019. Madam Chair Arnold-Chambers presided.

Present: Commissioner Gary Bray, District I; Commissioner William Chapman, District II; Madam Chair Kathleen Arnold-Chambers, District III; Lorena Cervantes, District IV

Absent: Vacant, District V

Staff: Carl Brewer, Senior CAO Manager – General Services; Matt Howard, General Services Manager – General Services; and Amanda Ruiz, Senior Fiscal and Policy Analyst – County Administrative Office.

Others: There were seventeen (17) others present

NOTE: Br, Ch, Ar, Ce are abbreviations for Commissioners Bray, Chapman, Arnold-Chambers, and Cervantes. As an example, Br-Ch denotes Commissioner Bray made a motion and Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion.

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m. Flag Salute: Madam Chair Arnold-Chambers

1. Approval of the Minutes of May 15, 2019

The minutes from May 15, 2019 were reviewed. Br - Ce , to approve the minutes.
4 Ayes, 1 Absent. Motion carried - minutes were approved as written.

2. Public Presentations

G. Rengal was present before the Commission to thank Staff for attending the recent community meeting in Frazier Mountain Park, to provide Staff with the master plan for Frazier Mountain Park, and to request that that review and advise on the master plan.

3. Public Requests

There were no public requests before the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and/or consideration.

4. Correspondence

Staff provided the Commission with the written correspondence dated April 24, 2019 from the Kern Audubon Society regarding the proposal to allow jet skis on Lake Ming and the written correspondence dated June 13, 2019 from Eddy Laine regarding previous decisions made related to the use of jet skis on Lake Ming. Br – Ce, to receive and file the correspondence. 4 Ayes, 1 Absent. Motion carried.

5. Department Staff Report

Carl Brewer, Senior CAO Manager provided the Commission with a Department Staff Report. Mr. Brewer reported:

i. Hart Memorial Park

- Five (5) restrooms have been re-roofed;
- The second restroom remodel is currently underway and is scheduled to be completed by July 3, 2019; and
- The sump culvert repairs have been completed.

ii. Nature Park

- The fencing repairs and extension have been completed;
- The split rail fence will be scheduled once the restroom renovation project at Hart Memorial Park is completed; and
- Staff is exploring Proposition 68 funding opportunities for the completion of the project.

iii. CA State - OHV Grant Process

- Staff responded to the request for additional information and confirmation the grant was accepted and received in form.

iv. Proposition 68 – Current and Future Funding Programs

- Amanda Ruiz, Senior Fiscal and Policy Analyst updated the Commission regarding Staff's efforts on the Proposition 68 funding opportunities.

v. The CA Boating & Waterways Commission – Grant

- The County of Kern was awarded a grant in the amount of \$1.16M from the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund (HWRF) for improvements to the Lake Webb West Boat Launching (BLF) at the Buena Vista Aquatic Recreation Area (BVARA).

Park Ranger – Status Update

Shane Denton, Supervising Park Ranger provided the Commission with a monthly overview and statistics report for the Kern County Park Ranger Division. Mr. Denton reported that in the past 30-days:

Felony Arrest	7
Misdemeanor Arrest	15
Incident Reports	26
Parking Citations	43
Misdemeanor Citations	5
Traffic Citations	14
Certified Field Trainers	2
Administrative Citations	22
Vehicle Impounds	3
Water Rescues	7
Vessel Accidents	1

6. New/Unfinished/Other Business

Monthly Park Showcase – Staff provided the Commission with a showcase of Delano Memorial Park located at S. Lexington St. and Garces Highway in Delano, CA as the monthly park showcase. Delano Memorial Park is a neighborhood park with a lighted baseball stadium, bleachers, concession stand and brick dugouts, softball field, t-ball field, 2-5 yrs. old tot-lot, 5-12 yrs. old play equipment, group picnic shelter, raised platform/stage, arena with bleacher, large metal storage building, concession buildings, and lighted restrooms.

Parks and Recreation Commission – Duties Under Ordinance – Staff provide the Parks and Recreation Commission with the Codification of the General Ordinances of Kern County, California as it applies to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Parks and Recreation Commission – Publication of Meeting Documents – Staff discussed the process in which information and documentation for the future Parks and Recreation Commission meetings will be published to the public. Following discussion, Staff informed the Commission that they would speak with the Clerk of the Board regarding the public process and follow that same process and procedure.

Lake Ming

- i. California Boating Accident Statistics – Staff provided the Commission with the California Boating Accident Statistics report as request at the May meeting.
- ii. Proposed Jet Ski Ordinance - Staff presented a request for direction to the Commission regarding a proposed change to the Jet Ski ordinance change at Lake Ming. Br – Ce to delete the proposed redline changes to the jet ski ordinance and not move the matter forward to the Board of Supervisors. 3 Ayes, 1 Opposed. Ch – opposed.

- iii. Monofilament Fishing Line Disposal Signage – Staff provided the Commission with proposed signage options regarding the proper disposal of fishing line at Lake Ming. Following review and discussion, the Commission requested that Staff provide additional signage options for review and consideration at the July 17, 2019 meeting.

8. Commission Comments

The Commission requested that staff include the following topics on the July meeting agenda: Lake Ming – current jet ski ordinance and history of the change in ordinance, and status of Camp Okihi.

9. Dates and Locations of Future Meetings:

The meeting time is at 6:30 p.m.

Future meeting dates and locations (subject to change):

- July 17, 2019, County Administrative Center, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield,
1st Floor - Board of Supervisors Chambers.

10. Adjournment

Commissioner Arnold-Chambers adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.