

The Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission met in a regular session on April 10, 2019. The meeting was held at 4343 S. Avenue 5 ½ E, Yuma, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER:** At 5:31 P.M., Commissioner Cavanaugh convened the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission in open session.

**Commissioner present were:** Barbara Cavanaugh, Linda Elliott, Louie Galaviz, Tim Gilliland, Louie Gradias, Althea Evans and Judy Phillips. Sergio Davalos, and Rosalie Lines were absent.

**Others present were:** Deputy County Attorney Edward Feheley; Public Works Director Joshua Scott; Improvement District Coordinator Rachel Stallworth; Improvement District Analyst Bobby Lambert; from the Optimist Club, Ted Gaffin; from the Foothills Community Park Group, Jim Stange, Emily Stange, Sandi Rogabki.

**The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Cavanaugh.**

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

**1. Review the purpose for the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission with Joshua Scott, Public Works Director.**

Joshua Scott, Public Works Director reviewed the purpose of the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission with the Commissioners. The purpose was to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on actions related to Parks and Recreation. **NO LEGAL ACTION TAKEN**

**2. Foothills Park Group presentation of the Foothills Park Vision, within the Foothills area.**

Jim Stange from the Foothills Community Park Group presented on the Foothills Park Group's vision of a park in the Foothills area. The group would like to see a dog park in addition to a regular park. Mr. Stange stated that it was the counties and the Parks and Recreations boards' responsibility to find grants and funding to have the park built and not the Foothills Community Park group's responsibility. **NO LEGAL ACTION TAKEN**

#### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. Approval of meeting minutes for February 13, 2019.**

Motion to accept the minutes from the February 13, 2019 meeting was made by Commissioner Evans, and Second by Commissioner Linda Elliott.

The motion carried unanimously, 7-0

**2. Elect New Chairperson for the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission. (Current Chairperson Judith Gill resigned from the board effective 03/13/2019).**

Motion by Commissioner Elliott to nominate and elect Commissioner Barbara Cavanaugh as chairperson, Second by Commissioner Gradias.

The motion carried unanimously, 7-0

Motion to nominate and elect Commissioner Cavanaugh the Chairperson of the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission carried.

**3. Elect New Vice-Chairperson for the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission. (If the current Vice-Chairperson is voted Chairperson).**

Since the Vice-chairman was not elected as Chairperson in the previous item, no legal action was taken for Item No. 3. **NO LEGAL ACTION TAKEN**

**4. Optimist Club's request for proposed implementation of playground equipment in Optimist Park, within Mesa Del Sol. Discussion and Commission's possible recommendation to the Board of Supervisors would be subject to compliance with ADA standards, legal counsel review, permitting, and building inspector's review and inspection.**

Ted Gaffin of the Foothill's Optimist Club requested approving a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors that the Foothills Optimist Club be allowed and install playground equipment within the Optimist Park.

Motion by Commissioner Galaviz, Second by Commissioner Evans to approve the agenda item as is.

The motion carried unanimously 7-0, subject to compliance with ADA standards, legal counsel review, permitting, and building inspector's review and inspection.

**5. Discussion of Parks Visits by Individual Commissioners. This is to discuss the condition of each park and areas of improvement needed.**

Board requested that Public Works staff provide address for the parks to help them locate the parks during their visits. Public Works staff stated, they would work on getting better addresses of the parks to assist the Commissioners in locating the parks during their tours.

**NO LEGAL ACTION TAKEN.**

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:**

**1. Commissioners recommended the following items be considered for next meeting agenda:**

During discussion the following items were suggested for the next meeting agenda:

1. Discussion regarding meetings going “dark” during summertime.
2. Conduct a reach out to two (2) parks and have a representative speak about their park for no more than 15 minutes at each meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Yuma County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, Chairperson Cavanaugh adjourned the meeting at 7:03 P.M.

Adopted this 9th day of October\_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

/s/ Barbara D.Cavanaugh  
Barbara D. Cavanaugh  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

/s/ Rachel Stallworth  
Rachel Stallworth  
Improvement District Coordinator