

## **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **APPROVED MINUTES**

December 8, 2010

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Ron Treabess and Judy Friedman

STAFF PRESENT: Cindy Gustafson, Bob Bolton, Roger Adamson, Layne Van Noy and Amy Norman

OTHERS PRESENT: Justin Broglio with Tahoe City Downtown Association (TCDA), Andy Chapman with North Lake Tahoe Resort Association (NLTRA), Gary Spohr and Kelli Twomey

The December 8, 2010 meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

#### **3. PUBLIC FORUM**

**Mr. Spohr introduced himself and explained he was at the meeting to discuss options for another farmers market. Mr. Spohr sells fresh fish at a market in El Dorado County and wants to do his own market in Tahoe City. The Foothill Farmers Market won't let him into the current Tahoe City market so Mr. Spohr wants to add a second market and bring in more local vendors. Ms. Gustafson brought up the complications with another day time market including traffic and congestion.**

**Mr. Chapman entered the meeting.**

**Mr. Broglio said this has been discussed with the TCDA Board and they are not in favor of another day market. The Board wants to stay away from the stress that it would put on Commons Beach. There is the possibility of a night market or holding one at other locations. Ms. Gustafson suggested that a meeting be set up with Carol Arnold who runs the Foothill Farmers Market to discuss her reasoning for which vendors are allowed in the Foothill Market. The Committee was in favor of this. Mr. Broglio invited Mr. Spohr to the TCDA Board meeting the next morning where this issue will also be discussed.**

**Mr. Spohr left the meeting.**

#### **1. 2011 AMGEN BIKE RACE AT LAKE TAHOE**

**Mr. Bolton and staff recently met with representatives of NLTRA, TCDA, the West Shore Association and the North Lake Tahoe Historical Society to discuss the logistics of this event. The Historical Society is thinking about making a museum exhibit of bicycles. This spurred**

conversation of what the TCPUD is going to do to capture part of this huge event. Mr. Bolton introduced Mr. Chapman who is the Director of Tourism with NLTRA.

Mr. Chapman said NLTRA is doing a ten day countdown to the start of the tour which would begin on Cinco de Mayo. There would be an event each day to create excitement and build up to the race on May 15. It is up to the local communities to create events and NLTRA will promote them. NLTRA will be plugging all the different events into a ten day calendar. Mr. Bolton stated that the Bike Rally Parks and Recreation holds every year is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> which is the weekend before the race.

It also needs to be decided what the town will do the day of the race when the bulk of spectators will be here. Ms. Gustafson wants to keep the cars from parking on the street because of the danger presented when people start creeping farther into the street. It would also enhance viewing the riders.

Ms. Gustafson left the meeting.

Mr. Bolton stated the challenge for Parks and Recreation is not to over commit. At what level does Parks and Recreation want to commit? The bike trails will need to be cleared earlier than in past springs. The Historical Society wants to use one of the stages in three locations which TCPUD staff will have to move.

Ms. Twomey left the meeting

Discussion followed of different ideas for events that Parks and Recreation could be involved with including a bike decorating contest, light pole banners promoting the event, and promoting biking and the race at Snowfest. Director Friedman pointed out that when events are planned the committee needs to be mindful of staff time.

Mr. Chapman and Mr. Broglio left the meeting.

## 2. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Mr. Bolton had several updates. He is continuing to work with Melanie Jackson on remodeling the kitchen at Rideout. The projected cost for this is \$25,000 which Ms. Jackson is funding. The Davis Group is putting together a design to present to the School District and Placer County.

The Rideout gym lighting retrofit is complete. The new lighting is much better than the old lighting was.

Mr. Bolton is working with Ms. Gustafson and Mr. Adamson on a strategy to inform property owners of sidewalk repairs that need to be made. Staff will send out a letter with photos the beginning of the year and then set up a meeting with the property owners. The goal is to have all repairs completed by July 4, 2011.

Two snow storage agreements were worked out with Matty Daniels and Gensburg. Originally the contract committed both companies to 20 hours of volunteer service. Daniels and Gensburg had reservations about signing in the contract so it was removed and agreed to verbally.

The RFP's for the Parks and Recreations brochure went out and are due back January 3. Director Friedman would like to see the proposals.

Staff worked with TCDA, Rotary and other groups for the downtown holiday lighting event last Friday. It went off well but is has gotten to the point where there are too many different organizations involved and Parks and Recreation should probably take on this event next year.

Mr. Bolton and staff met with Todd Jackson to go over his summer events. He wants to add more events for 2011, one at the Highlands and a run on the bike trails that would start at Commons Beach.

Mr. Bolton met with the State Inspector to finalize the per capita grants. He is hoping to get reimbursed by mid January.

Waddles were put in place on the bike trail by the mid way bridge near Squaw Valley for erosion control.

Staff will meet with TRPA and TRCD staff to discuss staffing efficiencies at the boat ramp. It needs to be decided what to do with the ramp next winter. Is it of value to keep it open for such a limited number of users?

Mr. Van Noy reported on recreation. He met with Kevin and Valli Murnane from Tahoe Cross Country. They are interested in holding a biathlon program at Rideout.

The Craft Bazaar had a good turnout in spite of the weather. There were 18 vendors and approximately 150 visitors.

Mr. Van Noy toured three community centers in Reno. Two new interns are coming in January.

Kidz club participation is up from last year. It is averaging 15.5 children a day and last year at this time it was averaging 12 kids.

All the paperwork has been completed for the Boating and Waterways grant of \$25,000. Mr. Van Noy anticipates receiving the money before the end of the year.

Mr. Adamson reported that during Thanksgiving week there were three businesses in Tahoe City that didn't comply with Ordinance No. 240. TCPUD had to remove the snow after the businesses were given 24 hour notice. Bills for \$72 are going out tomorrow to these three businesses.

The log sign at the wye is rotting and needs to be replaced. TCPUD maintains this sign and it could be an opportunity for better signage but staff would have to get approval from Caltrans. John Schooner with Caltrans is aware that this sign needs replacing.

Director Treabess asked if staff had installed any new bike trail signs. Mr. Adamson replied that this would occur next spring. Director Treabess then asked Director Friedman if she wanted to remain on the Parks and Recreation Committee which she does. Director Treabess is willing to swap committees with Director Wilkins who has requested being on this committee.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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