

Board of Park Commissioners
Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:00 pm
City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room or Via Zoom
Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order

a. Chair Mayor Zoppo-Sassu called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

b. Attendance

Present: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Chairwoman
Sandra Bogdanski, Commissioner
Cynthia Donovan, Commissioner
Robert Fiorito, Vice Chair
Malcolm Huckaby, Commissioner
Robert Kalat, Commissioner
Sarah Larson, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Joshua Medeiros, Superintendent
Paula O'Keefe, Commissioner
Scott Rosado, Council Liaison

2. Acceptance of meeting minutes

a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to accept the April 21, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan, all in favor; motion carried.

3. Public Participation.

a. There was no public participation.

b. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Kalat to bring Agenda Item 7a., 7b., 7d., 7f., 7.e. up from under public participation

Seconded by: Commissioner Fiorito, all in favor; motion carried.

c. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the use of Brackett Park for children's activities at the Mum Festival.

Seconded by: Commissioner O'Keefe, all in favor; motion carried.

d. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the Bristol garden Club's request to install a Blue Star Memorial on Memorial in coordination with the Superintendent for the exact site and timeframe.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski, all in favor; motion carried.

e. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner O'Keefe to support the request of Bristol Youth Football and Cheer for financial assistance to restore electricity to the building should funding not be available through the Main Street Community Foundation.

Seconded by: Commissioner Donovan; Motion passes with 6 votes in favor and 1 abstention.

f. Michelle Rudy of the Kern Park Association presented on the Kern Park trail plan.

Discussion followed.

g. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the closure of Memorial Boulevard and allow commercial vehicle access for the duration of the two projects.

Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski, all in favor; motion carried.

4. Employee Recognition

a. Doug Trillo, Assistant Parks Supervisor, was recognized for his work on Muzzy Field

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- b. Staff volunteers, Candido “JR” Galindo, Robert Lincoln and Sarah Larson, were recognized for participating in the Community Clean-Up Day.

5. Superintendent’s Report

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Donovan to accept and place the Superintendent’s Report on file.
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski, all in favor; motion carried.

6. Old business

- a. Commissioner Donovan inquired regarding the Master Plan and the Page Park Rain Garden. Discussion followed.
- b. Superintendent Medeiros presented on the Page Pool Grand Re-Opening Fundraiser Event. Discussion followed.

7. New business

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to approve the Bristol Blues Firework Schedule
Seconded by: Commissioner Bogdanski, all in favor; motion carried.
- b. There was no new business by Commissioners.

8. Committee reports

- a. Event Committee: Commissioner O’Keefe advised the group of the schedule for the event and the sponsorship brochure.
- b. Building and Maintenance Committee: No report.
- c. Budget & Finance Committee: No report.
- d. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Superintendent Medeiros invited Commissioners to the Summer Kick-Off party.
- e. City Council Liaison updates: Councilman Rosado provided the commission with an update on the banners to be installed at Memorial Boulevard.

9. Other Business

- a. There was no other business by Commissioners.

10. Adjourn

- a. **MOTION:** Made by Commissioner Fiorito to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.
Seconded by: Commissioner O’Keefe, all in favor; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Larson, Deputy Superintendent