Lake Havasu City Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

June 22, 2015 Lake Havasu City Police Facility Meeting Room 2360 McCulloch Blvd. Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

Summary Minutes

Call to Order: Board Member Jennifer Luzzi called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Eric Demyan, Jennifer Luzzi, Brett Miller, Robert Smith, Scott Welte, Aquatic/Recreation Manager Dan Keyes

Excused: Alexis Cooke, Jim Rosensweet, Mark Talley

Absent: Bart Wagner

Minutes: Approval of the minutes of meeting on June 2, 2015; Member Scott Welte moved to approve as written; seconded by Brett Miller and unanimously carried by the Board.

ADA Beach Access:

Dan Keyes, Division Manager introduced Vicki Warner with a citizen's interest group for improved ADA access to the lake. Vicki Warner addressed the Board with a presentation on different proposals to help enhance access for the growing need of ADA user friendly access at Rotary Community Park. Warner explained the different options the citizens group came up with. Various discussions took place regarding the suggested options. Mark Clark with Operations answered questions related to handicap ramps, and handicap parking spaces. Clark suggested the Board needs to concentrate on is this something we want at Rotary Park, is there specific areas you would prefer this type of activities to occur or not occur. The Board should make a decision on where access is appropriate. Keyes stated in his opinion we need to do something better for these folks that have access issues. Keyes would like Operations staff to come up with cost for the different options that were discussed and bring it back to the Board for further discussion and recommendation. Member Robert Smith stated the Board should prioritize sites and not try and do all the sites at once.

Over-seeding of Sports Fields:

Board member Brett Miller stated he asked for this item to be placed on the agenda. Miller stated the history we have had with the Soccer League playing at ASU the fields have essentially turned into dirt during the season which poses a safety risk. The league has to strip the fields multiple times a week which takes

approximately 4 hours each time, mainly because the dirt gets disturbed. Miller would like to see how much it cost to over-seed the fields and bring back to the Board for consideration. Mark Clark, Operations Division Manager gave a brief history on the over-seeding of the fields. Clark indicated funds are included in this year's budget to over-seed at ASU.

Athletic Field Improvement/Construction Funding:

Board member Brett Miller stated he asked for this item to be placed on the agenda. Miller stated the City is spending hundred thousand dollars on a field assessment study that is currently in process and there is no money set aside in the budget to act on the needs that are identified that come out of the study. The results are supposed to come back in September which is obviously after this year's budget is already approved. Most of the use happens with the athletic fields between September and May. A lot of the user groups are wondering why we are spending all this money on a study when they are not going to back it up by putting money in the budget. Division Manager, Dan Keyes indicated during the budget development process Council Member Michelle Lin tried to take this on and stated money that was earmarked for the Site Six project could be transitioned toward the field development once the study was complete. She had the same concerns as Mr. Miller. It was decided that City Council and staff decided to wait until the field assessment study is completed and they see the results. Miller indicated in his opinion he would have liked to see some skin in the game from the City Council saying we are not going to study it any longer we are finally going to do something about it because it has been studied numerous times and nothing has been done about it.

Aquatic/Recreation Update:

Division Manager Keyes provided the Board a report to include budget development schedule, Trails Advisory Committee Ordinance, Athletic Field Assessment Study, summer staff and registration, and aquatic division update.

Future Agenda Items:

ADA Beach Access

Call to Public: N/A

Adjournment:

There being no further business, member Brett Miller moved for adjournment at 7:10 p.m., seconded by member Eric Demyan and unanimously carried by the Board.