



## SAN BENITO COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

481 Fourth Street, Hollister, California

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<b>Mindy Sotelo</b>	<b>Tim Powers</b>	<b>Timothy Foley</b>	<b>Paul Hain</b>	<b>Luis Patino</b>	<b>Don Pidd</b>	<b>Richard Gallagher</b>
District No. 3	District No. 2	District No. 1	District No. 4	District No. 5	Historical Society	Veteran's Park Commission

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### MINUTES REGULAR MEETING August 8, 2018 5:30 PM

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Commissioner Don Pidd.

##### A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Pidd.

##### B. Roll Call

Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager called roll. Commissioners Mindy Sotelo, Tim Powers, Marie Peterson, Paul Hain, and Don Pidd were present. Commissioner's Luis Patino and Richard Gallagher was absent.

##### C. Acknowledge Certificate of Posting

MOTION:

To acknowledge the certificate of posting:

Made by **Paul Hain** and seconded by **Timothy Powers**

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For (0): Against (0):

#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one from the public who wished to speak.

*Opportunity to address the commission on items of interest not appearing on the*

*agenda or not scheduled for public hearing. No action may be taken unless provided for by GC 56954.2. Each speaker is limited to five minutes.*

### **III. CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. Approve the action minutes of the February 14, 2018, March 14, 2018, April 11, 2018 and the May 9, 2018 meetings.

MOTION:

To approve the minutes of the February 14, 2018, March 14, 2018, April 11, 2018 and May 9, 2018 meetings.:

Made by **Paul Hain** and  
seconded by **Mindy Sotelo**

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For (0): Against (0):

### **IV. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS - Information Only**

A. **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Introduction of new Parks Recreation Commissioner: Marie Peterson.

Commissioner Don Pidd introduced new member Marie Peterson.

Ms. Peterson said that she looks forward to working with the Commission and to help serve the Community. She provided some background information about herself.

B. **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Update on New Staff Department organization relative to Parks Recreation Commission and County Parks and Recreation Program.

Commissioner Don Pidd announced that there hasn't been any changes in staffing that he new of and RMA was not able to attend.

C. **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Update on website (sbcparks.org) operation and content development.

Commissioner Don Pidd said that they want to work on getting the website up to date as it has been about a year now.

IT was not able to attend.

### **V. COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

A. Commissioner's Reports.

Commissioner Tim Powers reported that the Aromas sports park is putting in seed for the soccer club. He said that R.E.A.C.H. is working with San Juan Bautista to put together their parks master plan.

Commissioner Don Pidd mentioned that they are continuing to plant trees at the Historical Park and will be working on the restoration and re channeling of the Tres Pinos Creek since we had the flooding a couple of years ago.

He also mentioned that he got a call from Gavilan College to do an environmental study class out at the Park to help improve the park.

He announced that they would be having the Blue Grass Festival out at the Historical Park on Friday through Sunday, August 10th - 12th. He said it is a fun weekend if you have a chance to go out.

**B. Committee's Reports.**

There were no committee reports.

**VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The Commission will consider and may take action on the following items:

**A. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Update on Upcoming Subdivisions: The commission will receive a report of the Upcoming subdivisions for the unincorporated area if any and be given an overview in regards to park elements within the subdivisions.

Commissioner Don Pidd said there was nothing new to report other than they are moving forward in developing the bypass by the High School, which will be huge for us because they will be developing the Resource Park.

**B. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Update on proposed restoration of the Tres Pinos Creek at the San Benito County Historical and Recreation Park.

Commissioner Don Pidd said that all he knows is that they have hired some engineers to work with FEMA to try and keep the channel where it was or move it back to where it was two years ago.

**C. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Discuss plans to update the San Benito County Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan per recommendations of the Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Committee.

Commissioner Don Pidd mentioned that they would hear from the Ad hoc committee which consists of Commissioner's Paul Hain and Mindy Sotelo. He invited new Commissioner Marie Peterson to replace Commissioner Foley on the Ad hoc committee.

Commissioner Paul Hain said that they met with Don Kelley who was one of the original members of the Parks & Recreation Commission. He said that they got some background information from him in regards to the Parks & Recreation.

Commissioner Sotelo said that it was a very informative meeting with Don Kelley. She said that maybe some of the things that they could work on in the future would be to reach out to the City of Hollister Parks & Recreation commission and try to work together and work with county staff and Supervisors. She said that after meeting with him I feel that this is doable.

She said that a few of the things that they would like to see done was to get a completion list from RMA of all of the completed items out of the master plan; Park impact fees-amount in fund and the expenditures over the last three years; Designated staff person with the County to work with; Copy

of the Regional Park Plan and to maybe have a Commission workshop to go over everything to talk about what they want to do and move forward.

Commissioner Pidd mentioned that maybe have RMA Director John Guertin contract Commissioner Sotelo in regards to the master plan.

Commissioner Sotelo suggested maybe having a community meeting after they have got their ducks in a row. She said at that time we need to make sure our website is up and working.

Commissioner Pidd said that we need to have a clear way to get the community involved. He talked about having a retreat or workshop off site, it would be a special meeting.

Discussion ensued by the Commissioners in regards to having a retreat possibly in October.

Commissioner Pidd said that they would work on the September meeting to get items from RMA that they need for the master plan and possibly schedule a retreat for October. He provided the process that it would have to go through in order to complete.

Commissioner Sotelo asked if there was a deadline for the master plan.

Commissioner Pidd replied hopefully by next years budget period.

Discussion ensued by Commissioners.

Commissioner Sotelo said that she would reach out to John Guertin instead of him trying to contract her.

Commissioner Pidd asked the Commissioners to reach out to their supervisor to keep them aware what the Parks & Recreation Commission is doing and would like to do.

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:22  
p.m.:

Made by **Paul Hain** and seconded by **Timothy Powers**

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For (5):

Against (0):

*Ayes: Hain, Patino, Pidd, Powers, Sotelo*