



**SAN BENITO COUNTY PARKS AND  
RECREATION COMMISSION**

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<b>Mindy Sotelo</b>	<b>Tim Powers</b>	<b>Marie Peterson</b>	<b>Sandy Swint</b>	<b>Nelda Escamilla</b>	<b>Paul Hain</b>	<b>Maria Spandri</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  
February 13, 2019  
5:30 PM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Commissioner Paul Hain.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Tim Powers.

**B. Roll Call**

Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager called roll. Commissioners present were: Paul Hain, Tim Powers, Maria Spandri, new members present were: Nelda Escamilla and Sandy Swint. Commissioners Marie Peterson and Mindy Sotelho were absent.

**C. Acknowledge Certificate of Posting**

Acknowledged Certificate of Posting.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no speakers from the public.

*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 December 12, 2018 meeting.

MOTION:

*Motion to approve the actions minutes of the December 12, 2018 meeting:*

Made by **Timothy Powers** and seconded by **Maria Spandri**

**5 - 0**

*For (5):*

*Against (0):*

*Ayes: Escamilla, Hain, Powers, Spandri, Swint*

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

##### **A. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Update on New Staff Department Organization relative to PRC and County Parks and Recreation Program.

There was no one present from Resource Management Agency with any update.

##### **B. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

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

Commissioner Tim Powers provided an update. Said that he was able to meet with Sacramento from the IT Department and showed him how to make edits to the website. He said that in order to do anything to the parks website he would need to do it here in the administration office on a county computer. He said that we know have the ability to make edits to our web page.

Valerie Eglund had a question in regards to linking to other links.

Commissioner Powers said that is possible if she provided the links.

#### **V. COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

##### **A. Commissioners' Report.**

Commissioner Powers reported that we have a couple of projects going on; Aromas Eagles is going to paint a mural over one of the bridges heading over to 129; the soccer park is still moving forward, the Aromas Soccer Club has put down some grass, working on irrigation and are planning on holding practices there sometime in August.

Commissioner Swint, said that she had nothing to report.

Commissioner Escamilla, said it was a pleasure to be here, but she had nothing to report.

Commissioner Hain said that he is representing the Historical Society, he has been going out and opening and closing the gates. He mentioned that he met with RMA Director John Guertin and Adam Goldstone in regards to going out to recruit for an assistant capital projects manager, which is what Adam Goldstone is doing right now and spoke about budgeting for a Master Plan update for Parks and Recreation.

##### **B. Committees' report.**

## 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.

There was no one present from Resource Management Agency with any update.

### B. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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

Nothing to report

### C. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Update on plans for water treatment at the Historical Park.

Nothing to report.

### D. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Update on Regional Park.

Reach representative's spoke of being in support of the river parkway and that they are here to support the river parkway anyway that we can. They are looking forward to it moving forward with the Parks Master Plan.

Commissioner Hain asked that they contact S.T.R.A.W., student and teachers restoring active water sheds. He said that he thought it would be a great opportunity and that it is a very successful program.

President of the Historical Society spoke about the opportunity to work with the local girl scout troop 455 on their silver award project. She said that they are building owl nesting boxes and three of those boxes will be put on the historical village sight at the historical park. She said that they would like to advocate to place owl boxes on the county park property. She said that she would come back to the commission with an update at a later date.

### E. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Discussion of naming the Drive Over in memory of Jim West.

Valerie Egland spoke of the Anza Trail and Jim West being one of the first commissioners on the Parks and Recreation and that he was part of the parks plan. She said that Jim West thought that a proper way to do a drive over of the trail was to gather some antique vehicles and do a drive over of the trail from gate to gate and it happened to be the 100th year of Tiffany Ford, so it was called the Tiffany tour. From that point on every year Jim West organized an antique car club tour and would start from Hollister. She said since Jim has past several have mentioned that the drive over should be moralized as the Jim West Memorial Antique Auto Tour. She said that Granite Rock has recommitted as apparent company of the trail to continue to work on it. Don Chapin takes care of the bathroom and Recology recently installed two garbage cans and the City of San Juan Bautista has installed a doggie bag post.

Ms. Egland announced that on March 19th will be their 2nd Annual Moon lite Walk on the Anza Trail starting at 6:00 p.m.

Keith Sevarson of Granite Rock said of course we miss Jim West and that they would like to offer support of the Jim West Memorial Antique Auto Tour. He said that they are tentatively looking at a date of May 11th.

Commissioner Powers asked what was the recommended name for the memorial was.

MOTION:

Motion to recommend that the name of the Jim West Memorial  
Antique Auto Tour goes to the Board of Supervisors for  
approval:

Made by **Timothy Powers**  
and seconded by **Maria  
Spandri**

**5 - 0**

For (5):

Against (0):

*Ayes: Escamilla, Hain, Powers, Spandri, Swint*

**F. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Discussion of dates and place for retreat.

Commissioner Powers spoke about dates to come up with for the retreat. He said that he is willing to throw something together as a pole for the retreat. He mentioned that the main topic of discussion will be the Parks Master Plan.

Discussion by Commissioners that weekends are best, possibly Sundays in March, April and May.

Commissioner Powers said that he would send out a pole in the next couple of weeks.

**G. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Discussion in regards to having monthly or quarterly meeting.

Commissioner Hain mentioned possibly going to quarterly meetings.

Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager mentioned that meetings are set by Ordinance as quarterly meetings but if the Commission would like to have monthly it would be up to the majority of the Commission. A special meeting could be held in between the quarterly meetings if needed.

The consensus of the Commission Discussion was to discuss at the retreat.

Commissioner Hain mentioned it would be nice to have a tour of our parks with the Board of Supervisors and other VIP people.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION:

Motion adjourn meeting at 6:09  
p.m.:

Made by **Maria Spandri** and seconded by **Nelda  
Escamilla**

**5 - 0**

For (5):

Against (0):

*Ayes: Escamilla, Hain, Powers, Spandri, Swint*