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Washoe County Open Space and Regional Parks Commission
July 8, 2013

Eric Crump, Park Operations Superintendent called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

1. Roll Call.

Members present: Jim Nadeau, Anne Buckley, Allan Sheakley, Tom Guinn, Nathan Daniel and Sarah Chvilicek. Scott Pierson had an excused absence.

Staff present: Eric Crump, Deputy District Attorney Leslie Admirand, Al Rogers, Denise Evans, Dave Solaro, Bill Whitney, County Clerk Nancy Parent and Joanna Schultz

2. Public Comment.

No public comment

3. Administer Oath of Office to reappointed Commissioner Anne Buckley and newly appointed Commissioners Tom Guinn, Allan Sheakley and Nathan Daniel.

Nancy Parent, Clerk’s office administered Oath of Office.

4. Election of Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Chairman and Vice-Chairman for a term of through January 1, 2014.

Commissioner Buckley motioned to elect Commissioner Chvilicek for Chairman and Commissioner Nadeau as Vice-Chairman. Seconded by Commissioner Guinn.

In response to Commissioner Sheakley regarding not knowing candidates, Commissioner Buckley explained that there are four returning Commissioners present. Commissioner Chvilicek term ends next year and she has experience as a Chairman and feels it would be appropriate to give her a turn as Chair. Commissioner Nadeau has two more years left on the Commission.

Commissioner Nadeau said that if anyone has questions he’d be happy to answer them.

Motion carried.

Eric Crump turned the meeting over to Commissioner Chvilicek.

Commissioner Chvilicek thanked the Commissioners.

5. Recognition and Appreciation of outgoing Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioners: Chairman Clifton Young, Vice Chairman Bill von Phul, Patty Moen and Robert Jacobson.

Eric Crump, Park Operations Superintendent presented Patty Moen and Bill von Phul plaques thanking the former Commissioners for their service and dedication to Parks.

Cliff Young and Bob Jacobson were not present.
6. Commissioner’s Comments.

Commissioner Daniel would like for a future agenda a discussion on subcommittees.

Commissioner Chvilicek would like for a future agenda an update on North Valleys Water Park.

Commissioner Nadeau would like for a future agenda the status on Betsy Caughlin Donnelly Park. He is very concerned about the damage being done to the park.

7. Public Comment

Eric Crump, Park Operations Superintendent invited everyone to a BBQ and tour of Bowers Mansion with Ranger Matt Erwin when the meeting is adjourned.

Al Rogers, Projects and Programs Director thanked the outgoing Commissioners on behalf of the Parks staff and former Directors Karen Mullen and Doug Doolittle for their service. Mr. Rogers also welcomed and thanked the new Commissioners for serving on this Commission.

Bill Whitney, Planning and Development Director said looking out across the street he had to point out that for the last 14-15 years the County has been working with its partners to acquire almost 2,000 acres of open space on the old Winters Ranch. The last 320 acres is right across the street and is almost a done deal. Many locals and agencies have been trying to make it public land and we’re almost there.

8. Adjournment

Chairman Chvilicek adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanna Schultz