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**Visalia Parks & Recreation Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 8, 2021**

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

The Visalia Parks & Recreation Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, via Zoom video conferencing. The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Steven Woods at 5:30pm.

**Members Present:** Steven Woods, Patrick Lozano, Rick Eastes, Lisa Walsh and Shann Blue

**City Staff:** Jeremy Rogers, Alvin Dias and Kathleen Machado

**Presenting Guest:** Greg Collins, Visalia City Councilman

**1. Public Comment:**

- None

**2. Review and Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting of 5/11/21**

MOTION: Motion to approve minutes as presented, carried 5-0 SB/PL

**3. Presentation on Possible Future Aquatics Facility – *Greg Collins, Visalia City Councilman***

- California Water Service is interested in securing naming rights of the aquatic complex and will donate \$500,000 over 10 years to reduce annual maintenance cost.
- Commissioner Woods suggested Commissioners Blue and Eastes attend the City Council meeting Councilman Collins will be presenting the aquatics facility proposal to answer potential Council questions. Both agreed.

**4. Request from Visalia Youth Baseball – Cal Ripken to charge spectator fees at the CR Shannon Baseball Complex for the 2021 Cal Ripken State Tournament - *Jeremy Rogers, Community Services Director***

- Commissioner Eastes asked if the admission fees received belong to Visalia Youth Baseball. Director Rogers confirmed.

MOTION: To grant permission to Visalia Youth Baseball to charge spectator admission into the CR Shannon Baseball Complex for the duration of the 2021 State Tournament scheduled July 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, carried 5-0 PL/SW

**5. Update on City Council Reports & City Staff Announcements:**

- **Recreation Programs and Special Events – *Jeremy Rogers, Community Services Director***
  - Group Swim Lessons started this week at full capacity
  - Camp Kaboom started this week with 30 enrolled; maximum capacity 50

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- **Parks & Urban Forestry Projects, Programs and Special Events** – *Alvin Dias, Parks & Facilities Manager*
    - Riverway Sports Park soccer fields are now closed for maintenance; keeping 3 of the fields closed until the beginning of 2022 for extensive maintenance
    - Wrapping up playground wood fiber installation
    - Moving ag equipment at East Side Regional Park site to be sold at surplus
    - Downtown irrigation repairs
    - Well-replacement project awarded, replacing 3 pumps with VFD pumps
      - Commissioner Blue asked if City well water levels are dropping
      - One of the projects is to send down a camera to inspect the well and find where the water table level is
  - **Administrative Items** – *Jeremy Rogers, Community Services Director*
    - Inclusive playground update
    - Leslie Caviglia will become City Manager upon Randy Groom’s retirement
- 6. Commission Requests and Comments:**
- **Visalia Community Enhancement Report** – *Lisa Walsh, Commissioner*
    - Commissioner Walsh asked if the City was going to move forward with an on-staff grant writer. Director Rogers will ask Leslie at his next meeting and follow up.
  - **Greenway Trail Naming Subcommittee** – *Patrick Lozano, Commissioner*
    - Nothing to report.

Adjourn to the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm

MOTION: Motion to adjourn, carried 5-0 SB/SW

Respectfully submitted by,  
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