



CITY OF BRAWLEY
TUESDAY, JUNE 21st, 2022

The Parks and Recreation Department of The City of Brawley, California met in a regular session at 12:00 pm, Lions Center Office 225 "A" St., Brawley, California, the date, time, and place duly established for holding of said meeting.

The meeting to order @ 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Garcia, Jauregui, Benavides, Estrada, Benavides, Diaz

ABSENT: Dickerson

STAFF: Fonseca, Duarte, Avina

CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE: Hamby

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted. m/Estada s/Rubio

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS.

Garcia introduced John Grass. Grass stated he wanted to get to know everyone and be as involved as possible within the community. He explained his focus was on building and strengthening city services. He went on to say he wanted to prepare for the economic changes coming to the city by strategically planning the citizen's tax pay as well as handling issues involving tax funds.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from May 17, 2022 were approved as submitted. m/Benavides s/Jauregui.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Staffing**

Fonseca explained the Parks & Rec department has been short staffed, making it difficult to keep up with maintenance. However the upkeep of parks remained a priority. She further explained that the Parks Coordinator position had opened up and there was movement around the department.

b. **Water Conservation Measures**

Fonseca mentioned the state of California had passed a water conservation measure on June 10th that was affecting parks, however the measure excluded school and sport parks but instead affected ornamental areas.

c. **Meserve Softball Fields**

Both Garcia and Fonseca brought up a "homerun fencing" that Carlos Weir offered to raise money for. Fonseca explained this fencing would allow softball to have tournaments on both sides as well as create room for teams to warm up on the side fields. Garcia added the fence would be a permanent chain-link fence.

d. **Dive-In Movie**

Fonseca excitedly mentioned the Dive-In movie is rapidly approaching and went over sponsors for the event. The commission discussed amongst themselves what each person would contribute.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. **Parks Update:**

Duarte explained the Splash Pad was up and running Monday-Sunday, and the upkeep of parks remained a priority. Up keeping such as tree trimming, watering and mowing.

b. **Recreation Update:**

Avina stated summer program registrations had come to a close with a significant amount of participants for both swim lessons and Summer Day Camp. Fonseca added on to say that this year Parks & Rec had a full staff of lifeguards excited to work.

c. **City Update:**

Hamby announced there would be a council meeting where the budget for the upcoming fiscal year would be discussed. He mentioned the finance department has been doing a fantastic job, as well as the City Manager, Salcido. Hamby explained how the city was positively improving at a significant rate since the pandemic.

6. OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 12:00 pm in the Parks and Recreation Office.

7. Adjournment @ 1:10 p.m. –m/s/c-Benavides-Estrada 7-0

Rachel D. Fonseca, Parks and Recreation Manager