



**TOWN OF FOUNTAIN HILLS MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 24, 2016**

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER

A regular session meeting of the Community Services Advisory Commission was convened and called to order by Chair Sherman Abrahamson at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 2016 in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, located at 16705 East Avenue of the Fountains, Fountain Hills, Arizona.

ITEM #2: ROLL CALL

In attendance at roll call were, Chair Sherman Abrahamson, Vice Chair Jim Judge, Commissioners Pat Canning, Don Doty, Jerry Gorrell, Lynne Mott, Ron Ruppert, Natalie Varela, and Greg Woo. Community Center Events and Operations Supervisor Mike Fenzel and Executive Assistant Jennifer Lyons represented staff. Also in attendance was Klaus Schadle from the McDowell Mountain Preserve Advisory Commission.

ITEM #3: CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one from the public wished to speak at this time.

ITEM #4: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Doty made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 26, 2016 meeting and Commissioner Varela seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM #5: UPDATE ON THE WORK STUDY GROUP TO RESEARCH THE SOUND SYSTEM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Chair Abrahamson, Vice Chair Judge and Commissioner Gorrell make up the work study group that will be looking into this process. This is something that they can handle but it maybe greater than they anticipate.

ITEM #6: UPDATE ON RIBBON CUTTINGS AND EVENTS

- September events included Ballet Under the Stars, with around 1,500 in attendance
- Oktoberfest - which was the last weekend in September/first weekend in October
- The Movie in the Park was "Zootopia" with approximately 200 viewers
- Craft Classic Half Marathon with 1,300 registered runners
- Make a Difference Day (MADD) was held on October 22
- Fox News 10 will be broadcasting their morning show on Friday October 28th on the Avenue
- CopperWynd Challenge Tennis Tournament is October 30th - November 5th
- Halloween in the Hills on Halloween is on Monday October 31st from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the Avenue

- Behind the Badge is November 19th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with the fountain turning blue at 4:00 p.m.

November 5th we have 3 Ribbon Cuttings:

- The Rotary Community Musical Park at 8:30 a.m. at Fountain Park.
- The “Take Action” Project done by Cadette Girl Scout Troop (#1059). They cleaned and beautified the wash tunnel over by Golden Eagle Park, which is also the entrance to the Urban FIT Trail. They cleared out all the rocks and painted the walls. The ribbon cutting is at 10:00 a.m.
- The resurfacing of the tennis courts will have a ribbon cutting at 10:30 a.m.

ITEM #7: UPDATE ON RECREATION AND TOURISM AWARDS

- The Town’s Archery program was awarded the Outstanding Sports Program Award at the 2016 APRA Conference. (Arizona Parks and Recreation Association)
- At the IFEA awards (International Festivals and Events Association) Recreation received a Bronze award for Turkey Trot for the Best Misc. on Site Décor with a budget under \$250,000
- Tourism received three awards at IFEA: Silver for Best Single Display Ad, Silver for Best Ad Series and Gold for Best Organization Website; experiencefountainhills.org

ITEM #8: REVIEW OF COMMISSIONERS WITH TERMS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016

Vice Chair Judge, Commissioners Canning, Gorrell, Varela and Woo have terms ending on December 31, 2016. An advertisement was placed in the Fountain Hills Times this week and will run again next week for applicants. The closing date for applications is November 3, 2016.

ITEM #9: REVIEW WITH COMMISSION MEMBERS ABOUT CONTACT WITH DIVISION HEADS

Commissioner Mott went over the handout that she distributed to the Commission, regarding her meeting with Recreation Supervisor Rachael Goodwin and possible concerns with the proposed ideas. A copy of the handout is attached to the minutes.

- The Block Party and the Sunset Stroll – Businesses would not be too anxious to set up a booth for just a couple hours.
- All States Picnic – The Town does not have tables and benches to supply for the events, so they would need to be rented. Also if we were collecting tickets in an open space, then that area would need to be roped off and police would be needed.
- Yappy Hour – ADOG was too busy to partner with us to do this event. Commissioner Varela offered to assist Commissioner Mott with this idea and possible do this in February.
- Stay and Play Gold Package – This would take a lot of work. Rachael did say that they are missing something by not tying in Fountain Hill’s golf since Scottsdale does such a great job. Either this month or next month they are starting advertising in “Golf” magazine, in hopes that will get some attention.
- It came down to not having the equipment or not having the money. Commissioner Mott would like the Commission to come together and do one of these ideas.

Supervisor Fenzel suggested having more contact with the Division Heads and to understand how our operation works. For example “Illinois Day” and “WisconsinFest” are events held at the Community

Center that the Historical Society and the Museum pay for. When they rent the room, they get the tables, chairs and equipment. This year Saddle Bronc will be putting on the event. Movie in the Park, is something that the Town puts on with funds raised mostly through sponsors. For events at the Community Center, renters pay a facility fee that covers the room, tables and chairs. Then there is a fee schedule for all of the auxiliary items. Supervisor Fenzel suggested Commissioners contact him for information on how rentals at the Community Center work and contacting Supervisor Goodwin to get information about Town sponsored programs typically work and what the steps are behind that. Also help is needed for Turkey Trot so please contact Supervisor Goodwin if you are able to help.

Vice-Chair Judge suggested working with various organizations in Town to a group of them to adopt a project and then get volunteers from those groups, who in turn would get recognition for their organization.

Commissioner Varela suggested for the Sunset Stroll, teaming up with the Community Theatre and walking down to the Amphitheater, so they could do a partial act of one of their upcoming shows. That would give a preview of the show to the community and possibly sell tickets there.

Commissioner Canning is President of the Women's Club and stated that the group would be interested in helping with these activities.

ITEM #10: DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING MMPC MEETINGS LEADING UP TO THE COMMISSIONS CONSOLIDATING

The MMPC is slated to consolidate into the CSAC December 31, 2017. We are trying to facilitate both groups being acquainted with one another. Commissioner Doty volunteered to attend the MMPC meetings.

MMPC Commissioner Klaus Schadle introduced himself and gave an update on the MMPC as requested by Chair Abrahamson.

- There are some who believe it may take longer than December of next year for the Trailhead to be open and there is a tendency to think that the Commission should continue until the Trailhead is finished.
- Town Manager, Grady Miller has mentioned that he thinks that we can push the timetable down toward the end of 2017. The original estimates were April or May of 2018.
- A number of the Commissioners would like to extend the Commission until the Trailhead is open.
- If the Trailhead is finished by the end of 2017 we will integrate like everyone else did.

ITEM #11: UPDATE ON PUBLIC ART

- "Strength to Our People" otherwise known as "FDR" was dedicated on Monday, October 17th, 2016 at Fountain Park.
- "Sky Totem" and "Interactive Sunglasses" were installed on the Avenue of the Fountains.
- "Ascendo" was delivered and installed on Friday, October 21st, 2016 on the Avenue.
- "Gahn Dancer II" which is currently at the Community Center and "Carousel Horse" were approved by Council at the October 20th, 2016 meeting. "Gahn Dancer II" is slated to be moved from the Community Center to the Avenue. The "Carousel Horse" will be placed at Town Hall, going on the staircase between floors number one and number two.

ITEM #12: UPDATE ON THE LIGHTS AT FOUNTAIN PARK

This was on the Council’s agenda on October 20th, 2016. Michael Columbo from Kimley-Horn presented to Council his findings and in his report it was found that there was not a significant difference in the amount of light. Council unanimously decided to do nothing, so the bollards will stay as is.

ITEM #13: UPDATE ON ADERO CANYON

J2 is the engineering and environmental design company that is working on taking the plans from 95% to 100%. We are in the process of getting the stockpiled material tested to determine if it is meeting MAG specs for the roadway aggregate base. The next meeting with J2 is December 1st, 2016.

ITEM #14: CONSIDERATION OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Doty made a motion to adjourn at 5:38 p.m., Commissioner Gorrell seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Community Services Advisory Commission

BY: _____
Sherman Abrahamson, Chair

REVIEWED BY: _____
Mark C. Mayer, Director of Community Services

PREPARED BY: _____
Jennifer Lyons, Executive Assistant

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Session held by the Community Services Advisory Commission of Fountain Hills on the 24th day of October, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 27th day of October 2016

Jennifer Lyons, Executive Assistant