

**CITY OF ONTARIO
RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
MARCH 2018
MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: DEAN, NELSEN, RILEY, BINNEY, OVITT,
SAUCEDO, TON

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: DOREY, MCALARY, CHASE, MICHALAK,
HUISMAN

MEMBERS ABSENT: TRINIDAD, (excused absence), NAVARRO-LOPEZ

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting called to order by
Commission Chair, Kenneth Dean at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Kayla Ton, Alternate Student Representative

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**M/S (RILEY/BINNEY) TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2018 CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Monthly Statistical Reports for February 2018.

**M/S (BINNEY/SAUCEDO) TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT
FOR FEBRUARY 2018 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. **Recreation and Community Services** – Julie Dorey, Director narrated a Power Point presentation on department highlights of center activities that occurred in February 2018.

A copy of the department presentation may be obtained upon request from the Commission Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **State of the City Reminder** – Julie Dorey, Director reminded the Commission of the State of the City event at the Ontario Convention Center on March 21, 2018.
2. **Whispering Lakes Dog Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Reminder** – Julie Dorey, Director reminded the Commission that the event will take place on March 30, 2018 at 10:00 am.

3. **Volunteer Banquet Reminder** – Julie Dorey, Director reminded the Commission that the Annual Volunteer Banquet will take place at the Ontario Convention Center on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 6:00 pm. The banquet will take the place of the regularly scheduled April 2018 Recreation and Parks Commission meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Introduction of New Staff** - Julie Dorey, Director introduced Stacy Michalak to the Commission as the other half of the new department Manager team. She will be working with Kathy Hickey. Stacy Michalak came to us from Anaheim's Recreation Department. She previously worked with Fullerton's Recreation Department as well as our own Department many years ago as a part-time employee.

COMMISSONER / LIASON COMMENTS:

OVITT: "Welcome Stacy! Tell me what new and different ideas are you going to do?"

MICHALAK: "Thank you! I'm looking forward to bringing ideas and re-creating ideas from Anaheim to work in our environment."

BINNEY: "We are looking forward to your new ideas and seeing you put them to work."

2. **Introduction of new Executive Staff** – Mark Chase, Public Works Director announced staff changes within the department and agency. Mark stated he is happy to announce the promotion of Julie Dorey as the Recreation & Community Services Department Director and have been very excited about the implementation of the re-structure. Consideration and planning was taking place even prior to the new City Manager coming on board. Mark stated he is pleased to announce that the City has created a new Agency combining the Library, Recreation, Arts and Culture and the Museum. Helen McAlary has been the Library Director for the past 7 years. She has been promoted as the Director of the new "Community, Life and Culture Agency." Mark announced that he is also part of the re-structure and will still be overseeing Parks but now adding Facility and Custodial Maintenance, Fleet and Equipment Services and Design and Construction. Mark expressed his appreciation and stated that it has been a great honor and privilege to work with the Commission, Library, Recreation and Community Services Department and the Museum and he will miss everyone. Mark stated that he is excited and confident that it is the right thing and will better serve this community. "You are in good hands!"

Helen McAlary stated that she has been the Library Director for the past seven going on eight years. She is highly motivated to serve this community and looks forward to working with the Commission.

COMMENTS:

OVITT: "Mark, I am pleased with the work you have done over the years with us. Helen has done a wonderful job at the library. I look forward to a new focus and great programs. The City of Ontario is blessed!"

- TON:** "Welcome to the team! There is a lot to look forward to."
- BINNEY:** "Mark, you have changed lives in the city and I thank you for that. Helen, I look forward to working with you!"
- SAUCEDO:** "Welcome Stacy and Helen! This is an exciting time to move forward with changes and growth. Mark, I appreciate all that you have done. You're the right man for the job with your new responsibilities."
- RILEY:** "Congratulations to Mark, Helen, Julie and Stacy! I remember when I first met Mark at Bon View School many years ago. Helen and I met while participating with the Ontario/Montclair Soroptimist organization. On April 18th, our Teen Action Committee will be honored at the Soroptimist Prism Awards Luncheon. Also, Naomi Orozco who is also a member of our T.A.C. program will receive the Violet Richardson award."
- NELSEN:** "I am so happy for Julie! Ken Meyers introduced me to Julie many years ago. Ken Meyers also took me on a parks tour many years ago and that is where I met Mark Chase. Ken talked about Mark in such a positive way and Mark; you have always been there for me. Thank you for everything you have done! Stacy, you are going to blend right in! I am proud of you and wish you well."
- DEAN:** "Congratulations to all of you! Stacy, Wayne's chair is not cold now. Thank you Helen for helping us out. I want to thank the city for sending members of the Commission and staff to the C.P.R.S. Conference this month. I attended workshops covering "healthy eating" and they shared ideas of changing how the community can be reached at the Centers. I talked with others who share ideas about healthy eating habits. We have already implemented many changes and I look forward to learning more and seeing growth reaching the community on this very important subject."

M/S (RILEY/BINNEY) MOTION TO CANCEL THE APRIL 2018 RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION MEETING DUE TO THE ANNUAL VOLUNTEER BANQUET.

M/S (BINNEY/RILEY) ADJOURNED THE MEETING UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING ON MAY 21, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

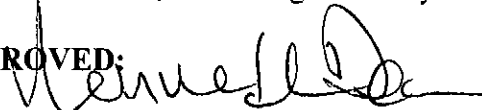
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MEETING ADJOURNMENT: 7:15 P.M.



Ann Huisman, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Kenneth Dean, Chairperson