

City of Lodi Park Commission
Minutes of March 26, 2019
Final Meeting as a Commission

Present: Cindy Heal, Allison Seaton, Suzanne Miller, Adele Van Ness, Mayor Jim Ness

Excused: Letha Kelsey-Kluberanz, Mikel Bilkey, Curt Hossman

Others Present: Kennan Buhr, Julie Ostrander, Kevin Sopha

1. Van Ness called the meeting to order at 6:48 pm in the Council Room, City Hall, 130 S. Main St.
2. Public input: none
3. Approve the minutes of the February 18, 2019. **Motion** (Welch/Van Ness) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
4. Review Restructure of Park Commission to Park Committee. A brief discussion was held as at the last meeting the topic was discussed. Van Ness added that the committee would be reporting directly to the Council as it was not folded into the Public Works as previously discussed by the Council.
5. Flood Report on Parks Damage and Future Damage Repair. Buhr showed pictures of Spring Creek during the flooding concentrating on the Parks destruction. He said that unfortunately, the 2019 budgeted \$25,000 that was earmarked for the repair of a portion of the Goeres Park creek wall, will be diverted to the repair of the wall in Veterans Park that had been partially washed out. This is the portion of the wall that had been repaired previously. He also reported that the creek had been widened in spots by erosion from the flood waters. He also reported that although Goeres Park had been flooded none of the water had breached the swimming pool walls, nor had any equipment been damaged that had been stored in the park building. It was suggested that since the community came together in response to the flooding, it was possible that the community might step up again to help clean up the parks. The ball parks fences had debris piled up in the fences and, along the whole line, there wasn't any damage to the reflecting pool in Goeres Park although the north side of the park on the west side of the creek was completely covered in mud. There are several other areas of the creek wall in Goeres Park that have been damaged. Buhr reported that repair work would be done with future flooding in mind.
6. Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. No report as we are waiting to hear from Paul Skidmore.
7. Earth Day. Allison Seaton reported that the grade schoolers were coloring paper bags for use at the Main Street Market.
8. Dog Park. No progress to report.
9. Kohn Park. No progress to report.
9. Suggested items for next agenda. None, since this is the last meeting of the Parks Commission.
10. **Motion** (Welch/Heal) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Adele M. Van Ness, President
President, Lodi Parks Commission