



1. Call to Order

Chairperson Rasso called the meeting to order at 6:14 pm. (Delayed due to need for quorum)

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Commission Present	Commission Absent	Staff Present	Staff Absent
D1 E. Kunter	D5 J. Ramirez	Deb Farrar	Alex Soto
D2. E. Hernandez	D6 D. Valdez	Heidi Strutz	
D3 P. Rasso	D4 L. Rivas	Dedie Lopez	
A/L M. Garcia		Felipe Vega, Jr	

4. Approval of Minutes

A. May 25, 2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Kunter and approved by a vote of 4:0 with Commissioner Ramirez, Commissioner Valdez and Commissioner Rivas absent.

5. Public Comments

Garry Grossich

6. Presentation

A. Staff Spotlight – Anthony Fernandez

Ms. Strutz introduced Anthony Fernandez who has worked for the City, in Recreation for 15 years; Mr. Fernandez thanked the Commissioners for the recognition.

- ✓ Kunter: thanked Mr. Fernandez for his dedication; said it is inspiring that someone from our own backyard is giving back to the community; Mr. Fernandez is a role model and commended Mr. Fernandez.
- ✓ Hernandez: congratulated Mr. Fernandez.
- ✓ Garcia: congratulated Mr. Fernandez.
- ✓ Farrar: said it has been a pleasure watch Mr. Fernandez grow to a responsible man; the full-time staff speaks columns from his colleagues and to who he is; he is a great person and a vital staff in the department.
- ✓ Rasso: said he is reiterating what Deb said; thanked Mr. Fernandez for all the things he does.

7. Commission Reports and Action Items

Report on Parks and Recreation Foundation of 6/13/2016 (Rasso)

Chairperson Rasso reported that for Quarter 2 of 2016 (March – May 2016)

- 44 applications were received and all approved with a total of \$1,967.
- Awarded to date is \$64,124
- Fundraising activity for quarter was \$20,948.89, with \$20,500 designated to the Colton's Birthday Celebration.

8. Staff Reports

A. Recreation Division Report (Strutz)

Ms. Strutz mentioned that July is National Parks & Recreation Month and the theme this year, set by the National Parks & Recreation Association, is Super Heroes and reported the following activities:

- Birthday Celebration
- 31 Days of Play Program
- Movies in the Park
- Teen Centers trip to the Beach
- Concerts in the Park
- Drop-in Basket Ball Program

B. Parks Division Report (Soto)

None

C. Budget Update (Farrar)

Ms. Farrar reported that Measure D passed and the City will proceed with Plan A which will provide the same level of services as the previous year, no additional programs and continuing goal to get sponsorships and fundraise consistently. Within the last fiscal year, the Recreation division was able to 'save', through donations and sponsorships to other programs, about \$7,000 which was used to purchase a new stage for events and activities.

D. Colton Sports Park Update (Farrar)

Ms. Farrar reported that staff met with the consultant regarding the feasibility study and they have noted the site plan will have to be amended due to the Woolly Star and Landfill. Full update will be provided at September meeting. Ballot measure to increase Transient Occupancy Tax was approved by City Council and if passed, the increased percentage will be designated to development, rehabilitation and maintenance of sports facilities within Colton. Currently working with Colton Joint Unified School District on a Joint Use Agreement for Colton Middle School.

✓ Garcia: asked about the Grand Terrace School being included in renovations.

9. Old Business

A. Staff Follow-up

a. Items from May 25 Meeting

Ms. Farrar announced that nominations for Hall of Fame 2016 is open and posted on the City Website and will be posted on Facebook also, with submission deadline of October 1, 2016. Next Allocation meeting is next week; concern raised from Youth Sport Summit regarding competing soccer league; this item will be added on the next meeting agenda.

10. New Business

None

11. Commissioner Comments

○ Garcia

- ✓ Thanked Dr. Gonzales for attending the meeting.
- ✓ Mentioned that he spoke with Commissioner Rivas regarding fundraiser and to have a pizza party to thank the volunteers.
- ✓ Thanked Felipe Vega and Gary Grossich for attending the meeting.

○ Hernandez

- ✓ No comment.

○ Kunter

- ✓ Congratulated Mr. Fernandez on the Staff Spotlight.
- ✓ Kudos to the Community Services Department for working so diligently and selflessly; she and husband attended the Birthday Celebration and this year's fireworks show was amazing; truly enjoyed the event; liked that way it was set up but concern that no one can walk on the sidewalk; like the games for the older kids; asked if there was Classic Car display; suggested to get more food vendors like nachos, pizza; happy to see that the surrounding homes are ready to participate and enjoy the Birthday Celebration; like that way the music was set up; well done; love the cape idea.
- ✓ Mentioned that she will not be attending September meeting because it will be her birthday but will get the minutes
- ✓ Bring the stats for the Summer Programs, Teen Programs for comparison.
- ✓ Asked how many people attended the Birthday Celebration and the gentlemen with different uniform, who are they?

○ Rasso

- ✓ Glad that resident voted for the Measure D.
- ✓ Recognized the hard work by the Recreation staff on the Birthday Celebration; asked how many staff members were there; fireworks were awesome.
- ✓ Kudos to Ms. Phelps for picking the bands; great job on the Concerts in the Park; great job on the 50/50 event; the healthy salsa was really good.
- ✓ Thanked Mr. Grossich for the update.
- ✓ Thanked Dr. Gonzales for his good words.
- ✓ Thanked the Community Services Staff for the amazing job for the City.

12. Staff Liaison Comments/Announcements

- Ms. Farrar reminded the Commission that next meeting will be lengthy because we will be recognizing the Sports League
- July is a big deal in Recreation because every day is full of activities
- Ms. Strutz is the Acting Recreation Manager and did a fantastic job with the Birthday Celebration.
- Ms. Phelps and every staff also did a wonderful job with Concerts in the Park;
- We are working on a new photographer to take pictures of the Commissioners and we will be contacting you when we have the date on a Saturday to schedule your photo session
- Met with Alfred regarding HEAL Campaign and Complete Parks System project, which will be appearing at events, starting this fall.

13. Upcoming Events/Meetings

7/22	Movie in the Park – “The Good Dinosaur”	Dauer	7/31	Concert in the Park – “Midnight Cruzers”	Fleming
7/24	Concert in the Park – “Sok Munky”	Fleming	8/6	Concert in the Park – “Mariachi Halcones”	Fleming
7/29	Movie in the Park – “Aladdin”	Fleming	8/13	Movie in the Pool – “Big Miracle”	Gonzales Pool
7/30	Movie in the Pool – “Cloudy w/Chance of Meatballs”	Gonzales Pool			

14. Adjournment

At 7:06 pm, Chairperson Rasso declared the meeting adjourned.