

RIPON PARKS AND RECREATION MINUTES

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 - 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL: Chairman Rod Wright, Commissioner Jim Schuller, Commissioner Louis Rivera, Alternate Commissioner Joshua Sarratt and Director Kye Stevens.

Absent: Vice-Chairman Bryce Perkins and Commissioner Steve McPeak.

Others Present: None.

MINUTES: MOTION: MOVED, SECONDED (RIVERA, SCHULLER) AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 13, 2024 REGULAR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: MOTION: MOVED, SECONDED (SCHULLER, RIVERA) AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0 TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2024 AND JANUARY 2025.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

1. **Welcome Joshua Sarratt to the City of Ripon Parks and Recreation Commission.**
Director Stevens introduced Joshua Sarratt and welcomed him to the Commission as the new Alternate Commissioner.
2. **Discuss the current and upcoming Parks and Recreation projects for 2025.**
Director Stevens reported he wanted to discuss and inform the Commission about several ongoing and upcoming parks and recreation projects in the City of Ripon.

The tennis courts at the Community Center are being renovated at this time. The old courts have been taken out and replaced with brand new courts including nets, posts, water dispensers, and lines for both tennis and pickleball. The courts are open now and have temporary striping but will get new paint and an acrylic surface at the end of May 2025 when the weather is warmer.

The City is planning to make improvements to the parking lot and fields 1 and 2 at the Community Center. Engineering is working on the drawings and a cost estimate for the project to move forward.

The Senior Center is undergoing some improvements which include the installation of new windows and doors, fresh paint and new siding to improve the exterior of the building. Additionally, a new outdoor seating area is under construction which will feature a metal pergola with updated landscaping and irrigation.

The Ripon Bike Bridge was damaged and a section of the bridge needs to be replaced. The bridge span has been ordered and is under construction at this time. The City is working on getting permits and environmental approval to reconstruct the bridge as soon as possible.

And finally, the Ripon Garden Club has been given approval to construct a community Rose Garden at Stouffer Park. They have submitted drawings and are currently working on the irrigation, grading, fencing and walkways before they plant all of the roses. The Rose Garden project should be completed this summer.

3. Other Reports - Director or Commissioners. None.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

(Signed) Rod Wright

Chairman

ATTEST:

(Signed) Kye Stevens

Director