

# MEETING MINUTES

## TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

July 1, 2009

4:35 p.m.

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Chino Valley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and to the general public that the Advisory Board held a meeting open to the public on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, at 4:30 p.m., at the Chino Valley Aquatic Center, Conference Room, located at 1615 North Road 1 East, Chino Valley, Arizona 86323.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

4:35 by Vice Chair Albert Gonzales

### 2. ROLL CALL

Present: Albert Gonzales, Vicki Warner, Cheryl Romley, Lori Heiner

Staff: Jason Kelly

Guests: Ron Grittman & Robin Allen, Engineering and Public Works; Bill Cook,  
Inducted Board Member

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 27, 2009

Ms. Romley moved to accept; Ms. Heiner 2<sup>nd</sup>; accepted as written.

### 4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Jason Kelly

**Board Term Applications:** Everybody on current PRAB who submitted applications has been accepted. Bill Cook will fill the vacancy position. The ceremonial swearing in will take place July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Documents provided for signatures, to be submitted to Town Hall. Clarification is requested for corrected name for Albert: Albert Gonzales.

**Equine Law:** Town Attorneys are researching the AZ State Statute absolving liability. This statute limits liability on the rider only; does not apply to the spectator.

**Park Policies and Regulations:** Staff is reviewing the Rules and Policies developed by the Parks and Trails Committee. This will be brought to PRAB. There will be a study and then recommendations made. This will be drafted then taken to the Police Department and then Code Enforcement for review. This will be clarified re: the need to get into the Code to make enforceable regulations. Then this will go to Town Council for resolution. There are a number of codes that have not been enforced due to the need to have the Police Department and Code Enforcement in communication and appropriate signage posted.

**Letter of support re: Peavine Trail connection to Prescott:** Town Manager requests more information before sending a letter. There may be other items to discuss ie: connectivity, regional recreational opportunities, and tourism.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Party in the Park, Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**July 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, Triathlon:** Need volunteers from 7 a.m. – Noon. Show up at the Pool and see Dean Smith.

**5. COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS:**

**a. AQUATICS:** *Presented by Lori Heiner*

*The programs are going well. Learn to Swim classes have been very full. The weather affected attendance in June. Attendance is up now with warming weather. There is accommodation made for Lap Swim, with a lane set aside during some programs. The public has made many good comments about the pool being open as much as it is; surveys have been done. The Aqua Fit surveys have come back that an outdoor clock is desired along with a clock easily seen by public swim.*

*Recommendation is to re-evaluate the entrance fee for those people who are not swimming. Preference would be that the adults be encouraged to come in to watch the children; the current fee protocol discourages this participation; this would enhance the safety factor. There are options for some participation to do some volunteer chores in exchange for swimming.*

**b. RECREATION:** *None*

**c. PARKS AND TRAILS:** *Presented by Vicki Warner*

*Annual Report Overview Outline provided. Detailed notes on progress and action are on file in previous minutes and available by Committee Chair. Over the past year the Committee has held monthly meetings where there has been field trips to all Parks Facilities, County facilities, Trail & Safety concerns (including along roadways through Chino) and review of ADA Accessibility and Usability. Members and Staff have attended several meetings held in Prescott re: connector Trails and forest trails and grants. Items discussed during Committee are:*

- Peavine Trail & Trailheads (Brightstar, Center St. Trailheads)*
- Connector Trails through Town*
- Rules & Signage Suggestions for all Parks Facilities, along with matching Codes to Rules. Spreadsheet presented to Staff for approval*
- Xeriscaping /Green Space Removal– primarily Field 5*
- Parks & Trails Master Plan*
- Phase III Grant: Dog Park*
- Old Home Manor: AZ Equine Risk Statute*
- Sustainability Strategies*
- Scheduling User Groups/Fees*
- Quail Ridge*
- Adopt-A-Park & Ranger Program*

**d. FINANCE:** *Presented Cheryl Romley*

*The budget was submitted and the Town Council just approved it. Everyone must be more resourceful, identify what is absolutely necessary. Staff is to be commended for what was submitted. Parks and Recreation went back and scrutinized the budget; an excellent job. The overall budget had been presented at Town Council, very understandably, by Vera.*

**6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** *None*

**7. CORRESPONDENCE:** *None*

**8. OLD BUSINESS:**

**Recovery and Reinvestment Act:** Presented by Jason, The Town did not qualify for the USDA Community Facilities Loan. Another application has been submitted for \$10,000 to the Saucony Run for Good Foundation regarding Health Fitness for Youth through running. Other applicable enhancements would be through trail head improvements, signage, and connection to the Southern corridor to enhance recreation in the region. Parks and Trails Committee requests a follow-up meeting to catch up on the status of projects. Jason will be present at the next committee meeting for updates.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Presentation by Town Engineering Department regarding future expansion of roadways to include bicycle pathways and multi-use trails in Chino Valley:** There was an overview given on prospective transportation systems: improvements of roadways, building connector trails, and different zoning districts throughout town. Studies of capacities of the roads in 2030 have been done. Roadway standards have been created built upon what other municipalities have done that have both on-street and off-street bike paths as well as multi-use paths. Jason will reserve a projector for next month. Engineering will return next month with a slide show presentation and a more in-depth discussion.

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- a. Continued presentation by Town Engineering Department regarding bicycle pathways, multi-use trails and transportation planning.
- b. Nominations/election of Officers and Committee Chairs.
- c. Recommendation to Council to approve expenditure of \$5,000 from grants and sponsorship funding to construct a parking lot in Phase 3 of the Community Center Park.

**11. ADJOURNMENT: 6:45 p.m.**

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009 by: Acting Secretary Vicki Warner