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**MINUTES**

Thursday, August 23, 2007 Special Meeting  
6:00 p.m.  
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 374-A

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

John Hybarger, Chairperson  
Sandra Aronberg, Vice Chair  
Timothy Jones  
Bradley Nuremberg

**STAFF PRESENT**

Janice A. Davis  
Andrew Sevrin

**INVITED GUESTS**

Hua Ling, Acting Facility Director, Hollenbeck Recreation Center  
Adrienne Wilson, Director, Hollenbeck Recreation Center  
Anne Foss, Past President, Optimist Club of Montebello  
Tim Bovard, Chairman, San Gabriel Valley Chapter, Quail Unlimited  
Roger Armijo, Habitat Coordinator, San Gabriel Valley Chapter, Quail Unlimited  
Brian Young, Departmental Facilities Planner, State Department of Fish & Game

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Hybarger called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

**GRANT REQUEST FROM THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF MONTEBELLO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500 TO PURCHASE CATFISH TO STOCK HOLLENBECK LAKE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2007 "YOUTH FISHING DERBY" EVENT AT HOLLENBECK PARK**

Hua Ling, Acting Facility Director for Hollenbeck Recreation Center reported:

- The event will be held at Hollenbeck Lake for primarily low-income families and would also be open to the community. The event has become an annual tradition for the Boyle Heights Community over the past 10 years.

- The Optimist Club has been unable to acquire funding for this event from the City of Los Angeles or the State Department of Fish and Game.
- They will be receiving sponsorship from local businesses to support the event.
- Five hundred (500) children are expected to attend.

Brian Young, Departmental Facilities Planner, State Department of Fish and Game gave the following report:

- The State Department of Fish and Game's budget has not been officially signed by the Governor, and the State cannot guarantee that there will be funds available in time for the event.
- The State Department of Fish and Game usually plants one thousand (1000) pounds of fish in the lake, a larger volume than the County, who normally stocks about 800 pounds of fish. They recommend fish in the 1 to 3 pound class, and recommend a lighter (1 pound) class of fish if funds are low for the event.
- If the State Department of Fish and Game cannot fund the event; it will still take place, but with much less fish.
- There will be five (5) rod and reel stations and a fish cleaning station. The volunteers from the "Fishing In The City" event will work this event as well.

**On motion of Commissioner Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Jones, the Commission unanimously approved the grant request for \$2,500 to purchase catfish to stock the lake for the September 22, 2007 "Youth Fishing Derby" event at Hollenbeck Park.**

**GRANT REQUEST FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER OF QUAIL UNLIMITED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,600 FOR GUZZLER REPLACEMENT ON PINYON RIDGE**

Tim Bovard, Chairman, San Gabriel Valley Chapter of Quail Unlimited reported:

- Guzzlers are a man-made drinking station for wildlife and it simulates a natural spring. They are important to wildlife because in the event of a drought, guzzlers never dry up.
- The drinking tanks are large enough for bear and deer to drink from. Guzzlers are important to safety because animals drink from the guzzlers instead drifting down into areas inhabited by people.
- Unfortunately, many guzzlers are old or damaged and in need of repair (i.e. pipe is broken down, apron is too small and plugged up, etc.)

- Quail Unlimited has not been able to acquire funding for guzzlers for the past three (3) years. The last time they appeared before the Commission was in 2003.
- There are currently seven (7) guzzlers in Pinyon Ridge. Two (2) are currently being fixed and should be done by the end of the year. Quail Unlimited is going to pay for two (2) more to be fixed from funds received by contributors. If the grant is approved from the Fish and Game Commission, it would pay for two (2) new guzzlers.

Because of the large amount of funds requested, the Commission asked for a progress report from Quail Unlimited at the January or May 2008 Commission meeting.

**On motion of Commissioner Nuremberg, seconded by Commissioner Aronberg, with a vote of three ayes: Commissioners: Hybarger, Aronberg, and Nuremberg; one nay: Commissioner: Jones, the Commission approved the grant request for \$6,600 for funding to replace two (2) guzzlers at Pinyon Ridge.**

### **FALL COMMISSION CONFERENCE**

Chair Hybarger asked the Commission if they were interested in hosting a Fall Commission Conference. Vice Chair Aronberg commented that there would not be sufficient time to arrange for speakers for a Conference this year. In addition Commissioner Nuremberg remarked that there hasn't been any support from the State Department of Fish and Game or any other Counties. None of the Commissioners expressed interest in hosting a Fall Commission Conference.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brian Young from the State Department of Fish and Game spoke about starting a pilot program with the Department of Parks & Recreation and volunteer staff at Whittier Narrows Regional Park. The pilot program would be a "Fishing Pole Rental Area". It would be staffed by a youth group that would perform services such as renting out poles, detangling lines, and other services for future events.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Commissioner Jones and seconded by Vice Chair Aronberg, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Janice A. Davis*  
Commission Services Division