## Town of Fairfax

Minutes of
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commission
Monday, March 12, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Youth Center
16 Park Road

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Sisi Parry-Hansen, Monty Stephens, Alexis Lynch, Chris Borjian, Daisy Stephens, Youth Commissioner. Staff in attendance: Anne Mannes, Recreation & Community Services, Programming; Maria Baird, Recreation & Community Services Manager, Events, Garrett Toy, Town Manager. Others in attendance: Mimi Newton, Richard Sloan, Joe Chambers

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The approval of the February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were put off until next month, since there was not a quorum of those attendees.

Public Forum: Mimi Newton attended the meeting to inform PARC she intends to hold "The Eleven" an annual benefit concert in Peri Park on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-6:30 p.m. She would like to request sponsorship for waiver of rental fees, and will come back to the April PARC meeting to officially request this. She submitted her application, which Maria will route to Public Works and the Police Department. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> annual concert. The funds will go to benefit Open Space Committee.

## **New Business**

- **1. Brewfest application-** Maria announced that Richard Pedemonte's application for the Brewfest for March 17<sup>th</sup> has been approved by Public Works and the Police Department.
- 2. Peri Park Playground Renovation Richard Sloan attended the meeting at Anne's request. Richard is on the Lagunitas School Board, which he has served on since 1971. In 1972, he built the playground at Lagunitas School. He has extensive construction experience. In 1982, that playground was remodeled, and he oversaw that. In 1992, that playground underwent a major remodel, which Richard was in charge of as well. He also worked on the Millenium Playground which was built in 2000 in San Anselmo. At the 2000 remodel, building codes had changed, and he was required to become a Certified Playground Inspector, so he went to Los Angeles, took the course, and became certified. At that time the Lagunitas School District passed a bond measure to remodel the entire campus, including putting in drainage and renovating the playground. They hired an architectural firm which brought a plan to the facilities committee, but it did not get approved. Richard then did a survey on what the kids wanted, and found it was a net climber, another slide, etc. Their playground encompasses 5,000 square feet. It cost \$135,000 to build, including the drainage component. Richard offered to volunteer his time to help renovate the Peri Park playground area. He suffered a stroke during the last Lagunitas renovation, so he is unable to drive, but

is still willing to help. He will work with Joe Chambers, a metal fabricator who is also willing to do pro bono work for Peri Park since he has young children in town. Joe can draft CAD drawings. Alexis will meet with Holly Selvig, who is redesigning Pixie Park in Ross. MOTION: A motion was made to notice the community of the Peri Park renovation, receive input from a core group of parents which Alexis has already solicited interest from via posters in the park. Then a design and concept will be developed. Based on that, an online forum will be put out to the community to receive feedback. The information gathered will go back to PARC, who will then work with Richard & Joseph. The project will be broken down into two phases, one for each structure that is being replaced. Playground quality wood chips will be used rather than sand, to make the playground ADA accessible. A small sand area will be kept for the 2-5 age group.

- 3. <u>Bike pump track update-</u> Garrett stated he met with the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) who is now requesting that in exchange for the Town installing a bike pump track at Deer Park, the Town take over maintenance for all of the property in the area, including cleaning & locking up restrooms, parking lot, trees, etc. This will not be possible for Public Works, given their work schedules. Garrett will have further discussions with Mike Sweeney, General Manager of MMWD to determine next step.
- **4.** Spring Egg Hunt- March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Bolinas Park-Maria announced this event currently in the planning stages. She will buy the candy and have her folks stuff the eggs. She requested PARC members come and help hide the eggs beginning at 9 a.m on that day. Abby Lauter will play the Easter bunny. James K will provide music. Bubble Man will be on site, and there will be facepainting available. Camille has designed a lovely poster which will be distributed to the merchants downtown.
- **Secap of Alice in Wonderland Tea-**Sisi announced the tea went extremely well. There were 57 participants in the audience, out of 60 available seats. Gross profit was \$650, expenses were \$108. A total of \$355 went to the Fairfax Theater Company.
- **6.** Goals & Objectives for 2018-Maria distributed a handout on the 2018 goals for PARC (see attached). PARC adopted the goals

Next meeting was set for April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Topics will include memorial bench for Diane Hoffman, and The Eleven Annual Benefit Concert.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.