

CARSON CITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Donna Curtis
Vice Chairperson James Smolenski
Commissioner Charles Adams
Commissioner Barbara Howe
Commissioner Tom Keeton
Commissioner Steve Lasco
Commissioner Sean Lehmann
Commissioner Pete Livermore
Commissioner Todd Westergard

STAFF: Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Department Director
Scott Fahrenbruch, Parks and Recreation Director of Operations
Vern Krahn, Park Planner
Thoran Towler, Deputy District Attorney
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary*

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CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (5:31:27) - Chairperson Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present. Commissioners Lasco, Livermore, and Westergard arrived after roll call. Ex-Officio Commissioner Walt was not in attendance.

(5:47:22) Chairperson Curtis introduced Commissioner Barbara Howe, the School Board President and liaison to the commission.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (5:32:11) - None.

1. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 6, 2009 (5:32:20) - Vice Chairperson Smolenski moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Lehmann seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

2. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA (5:32:50) - At staff's request, Chairperson Curtis modified the agenda to address item 3-D prior to item 3-A.

3. STAFF UPDATES:

3-A. MORGAN MILL ROAD RIVER ACCESS PROJECT (5:47:58) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Mr. Krahn thanked the Airport Authority for the rock material contributed to this project. He advised that clearing and grubbing was done to prepare the site for the upcoming rafting season. There were also some road improvements and the parking lot was lined with boulders. All permits

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are underway through the various federal and state agencies. Open Space Coordinator Ann Bollinger is tracking these. With the exception of any comments coming back from these agencies, the design is done. He anticipates an August 1st construction window. In response to a question, Mr. Krahn advised of discussions with Vidler Water Company representatives regarding property adjacent to the Empire Ranch Golf Course on which to drill induction wells. With that, they were going to bring water lines to the water lines on Morgan Mill Road. Mr. Krahn expressed the understanding that the wells were not productive, and that Vidler will not be using the route to "come through our area." In response to a further question, he reiterated that the water lines will not be brought through park property. A good share of the property on Hells Bells Road, which is owned by Vidler will be donated to the Open Space Program.

3-B. MEXICAN DITCH TRAIL BRIDGES PROJECT (5:53:23) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Mr. Krahn invited the commissioners to the project site between 7:30 and 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2009 to witness the installation of the bridges. He provided direction with regard to parking on Buzzy's Ranch Road to avoid any conflict with the contractor. Chairperson Curtis advised of having received an e-mail communication from an adjacent neighbor that trash has been accumulating in the area. Mr. Krahn acknowledged that the Mexican Dam and Ditch water was diverted to facilitate some of the dewatering necessary to pour the concrete footings for the bridges. As soon as the project is complete, the water will be returned to the ditch. The contractor is responsible for cleaning up construction debris in the area. Mr. Krahn clarified that blowing trash is not unusual this time of year. He offered to have Parks Department staff visit the area.

(5:57:35) In response to a question, Mr. Fahrenbruch advised that the Mexican Ditch shareholders maintain the ditch and usually hold a clean up day in February or March of each year. He advised of a meeting scheduled for Thursday at 2:00 and offered to bring up the issue of trash in the ditch. Mr. Krahn thanked the Capital Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers who provided the design work for the bridge abutments at no cost to the City. He also thanked Anne Macquarrie and Muscle Power who were very instrumental in securing the grant funding.

3-C. CARSON RIVER PARK PHASE II, PARKING LOT LANDSCAPING (5:59:42) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Mr. Krahn advised that one key component of this project is the well, for which volumes need to be considered. Once that can be determined, a well contractor will need to conduct a test of the well to determine what kind of draw down it has and what type of volume it will produce. That information will be given to the landscape architect to design the irrigation system. Once that is done, the anticipated target date is late summer/early fall to landscape the parking lot. In response to a question, he acknowledged that the well house is in an old restroom building but there are no plans to refurbish the restrooms for use. He indicated the preference to keep the facility that a porta-potty can slide into. Other than irrigation, no potable water will be made available. He further advised that the well is active, and that consideration has been given to removing the existing pump and installing a variable speed pump. The hope is to avoid the additional expense associated with holding tanks which are most likely not necessary. If demand for the irrigation system is only five gallons a minute, the pump will produce it.

3-D. FEDERAL LANDS BILL (5:33:13) - Chairperson Curtis introduced the item and Planning Division Director Lee Plemel updated the Commission on the status of the Federal Lands Bill. Mr. Plemel referred to a map submitted by Senator Reid to the Senate in the Fall. He advised that it did not make it through the 2008 congressional sessions but since then has been combined in an omnibus bill. As it wasn't

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adopted in 2008, it was grouped with a lot of other bills and passed by the Senate in mid-January. It now resides in the House but there has been no action since then.

(5:35:12) - Staff hasn't seen a revised map since that time, however, Mr. Plemel is aware of one amendment relative to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) property at Koontz Lane on the east side of South Edmonds Drive, forty acres below the location of the water tank. BLM has been considering a location for a hot shot crew. At the February 25, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, BLM will present an Interagency Fire Facility proposal. As BLM is sharing it with U.S. Forest Service crews, it's going to be their base of operation for the crews who come in for the summer. There will be barracks so they have a place to stay. It will be a good presence for that type of fire crew to be in Carson City and they're excited about the opportunity to help maintain trails. In response to a question, Mr. Plemel advised that BLM was given mailing labels for all of the property owners within a quarter mile of the location, so residents in that area will be notified. Commissioner Livermore guaranteed that there will be a huge turnout of residents as they will not want any development there. He advised that the residents use it as a park and enjoy the trails and pathways. He advised that in his term of office, there have been at least five proposals for that location and this will be a very heated issue as residents will not embrace it. Mr. Plemel advised that this may be the first that people are hearing about it, but that's why he wanted to bring it up, and the property owners within a quarter mile will be getting notices in the mail by BLM. In response to a question, Mr. Plemel indicated that it is not application, but a presentation and commentary. They are using it as a public process so they can get comments and are going through a federal process to put it there which includes an environmental assessment.

(5:40:19) Mr. Plemel advised that the plan subsequent to this is to go back through the language in the bill. There are actions that Carson City needs to take which need to be evaluated. He foresees staff coming back to the boards, commissions, and committees to provide status updates. In response to a question, he acknowledged that BLM was considering other locations on BLM land. The reason this isn't a City application for a special use permit is because it's a federal facility on federal land. Non-profits can use BLM land, but BLM requires them to get local permits whereas federal facilities on federal lands are exempt even from building permits. Mr. Plemel clarified this is based on discussions between BLM and a congressional delegation to meet BLM needs. Because of lack of water and sewer connections, the Arrowhead/Goni area is no longer being considered and their preferred site for that facility is now Koontz Lane. In response to a question, Mr. Plemel clarified that the BLM has a process and federal requirements that requires public notice and could be done despite Carson City objections. He's heard from the local office that they do listen to the public. In response to a further question, Mr. Plemel advised of direct meetings between congressional delegation and BLM representatives. There was no involvement in terms of the hot shot facilities. BLM has attempted to communicate with City staff in identifying issues associated with various locations around the City. Chairperson Curtis inquired as to the size of the parcel and the amount of land proposed to be taken up with the facility. Mr. Plemel advised there is no map showing the proposal. Generally, the federal lands bill will retain 40 acres and the facility would be, as proposed, only on the south side of Koontz Lane and not spread out. He's not sure how much acreage they would take up in terms of a fenced-in area. Chairperson Curtis inquired as to the remaining time line. Mr. Plemel and other staff members advised there has been no word. The House of Representatives was busy with other things and probably still is with the focus on the economic stimulus package right now. In response to a further question, Mr. Plemel again advised that the Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25th in the Sierra Room. Mr. Plemel advised that also

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at that meeting, there will be a presentation and comments on the new Comstock Wind Energy Project regarding the windmills along the Virginia Range.

4. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

4-A. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW ONLY OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION'S BY-LAWS INCLUDING ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS (6:03:10) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item, and reviewed the agenda report. The requirement for attendance is a minimum of 75 percent of the time. The by-laws discuss excused vs. unexcused absences but doesn't clarify the difference between the two. Another problem is that the by-laws don't discuss how to address the issue if someone misses more than 25 percent of the meetings. At her request, Mr. Towler reviewed the provisions of CCMC 2.16.045. He read a portion of the same into the record, and explained that the commission can recommend removal of a commissioner to the Board of Supervisors. Any time that the competence or the alleged misconduct of a commissioner is discussed in an open meeting, notice has to be provided pursuant to the provisions of NRS 241.033.

Commissioner Keeton noted that the by-laws specify the commission will determine an excused absence, not the chairperson. He suggested amending the by-laws to authorize the chairperson to determine an excused or unexcused absence or vote to determine whether the absence is excused or unexcused. He opined that it should be changed to read that the chairperson can excuse anyone for appropriate cause. Commissioner Livermore advised of several commissioners which have been removed during his tenure. He further advised that the responsibility has always been that of the chairperson to determine an excused or unexcused absence.

Mr. Moellendorf suggested the possibility of adding a permanent item on the agenda entitled 'possible action on approval of absences' so notice is given that possible action could be taken if someone is missing and the committee could vote on whether his absence is excused.

Commissioner Westergard expressed agreement with Commissioner Keeton's suggestion to authorize the chairperson the discretion to excuse members. He believes it's a "little bit silly to have an attendance provision. We're all appointed by the Board of Supervisors." He stated that it's interesting to consider the notion of a term because for many in state government, there is no leeway to remove people in the absence of malfeasance. He expressed the opinion that unless a commissioner commits a cause for removal, they have to answer to the Board of Supervisors if they want to be reappointed and at that time their attendance would be evaluated if there was an issue. This is an advisory commission which serves an important function. All the commissioners applied for these positions because they want to serve and are interested in the subject matter. If someone decides they can't attend a meeting, they should let the chairperson know as a matter of courtesy. He also stated that he has served on several other committees and hasn't seen an attendance clause like this before and doesn't see it as something essential to take roll and have a threshold.

(6:18:27) Commissioner Livermore stated that attendance has been in the by-laws for many years and only the Board of Supervisors can remove someone from a board or commission. He suggested that the by-laws provision pertinent to attendance has been there as a guide over the years. Commissioner Lehmann expressed agreement that if the Board of Supervisors is going to remove someone from the commission based on their lack of participation, there should be a threshold or guide so it's applied evenly. He also agreed with Commissioner Keeton that there should be one go-to person, most likely the chairperson, to

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be authorized to determine an excused or unexcused absence. Voting on every absence is going to be cumbersome. He related his understanding of the by-laws language pertinent to other than regular meetings. In response to a question, Commissioner Keeton stated that any amendment to the by-laws should be consistent, either have a commission vote or change it so that the chairperson may excuse anyone. The consensus of the commission was to propose that the chairperson can excuse anyone and to present amendment language at the next meeting. Chairperson Curtis requested the commissioners notify both her and Mr. Moellendorf of absences.

Commissioner Howe encouraged a clear code of behavior in the by-laws and very explicit ramifications if that behavior is not met.

4-B. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE FUTURE USE OF REMAINING ALLOCATED CARSON CITY FAIRGROUNDS PROJECT FUNDS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL SITE IMPROVEMENTS (6:25:20) -

Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Mr. Moellendorf provided historic information on the funding sources made available to the subject project. In July 2001, funds from the Costco settlement were created as a capital improvement project account for improvements to Fuji Park, creating about \$500,000 in that capital improvement account. On December 7, 2006, an approval for the fairgrounds and Fuji Park site development plan and approval for the joint use parking lot agreement between Carson City and Bodine's owner, Michael Pegram, were brought to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors approved transferring \$1,000,000 in the Question 18 Quality of Life funds from the John D. Winters Centennial Park to the fairgrounds for the purpose of completing the renovations and improvements of the fairgrounds. The Board of Supervisors also approved an offer from Mr. Pegram/Bodine's of \$1,000,000 for the donation to the Carson City fairgrounds project. On August 2, 2007, the Board of Supervisors approved a \$1,000,000 transfer from the Question 18 Quality of Life fund from the recreation center project to the fairgrounds project. Mr. Moellendorf noted that the project is substantially complete and all portions of the contract have been funded leaving a surplus of approximately \$63,000 in the project and approximately \$117,000 from Mike Pegram's donation. He reviewed the staff report.

At Chairperson Curtis' request, Mr. Krahn reviewed the completed improvements using the Fairgrounds/Fuji Park Conceptual Plan which was displayed in the meeting room. The plaza area, containing the grandstands, bleachers, entrance ramp into the grandstands and a restroom, parking lot and associated landscaping for the parking lot have been completed. Part of the plaza design yet to be completed is the concession stand. Multiple improvements to the plaza area have been discussed along with benches and additional landscaping within the plaza. The east end of the plaza area is currently dirt but discussion has been to make that a turf area with picnic tables and a few trees. There's also been discussion of a possible picnic shelter. The intent of the plaza has always been to make it a people friendly space. Architectural arches have been identified in the design. An entry arch into the grandstands has also been discussed. The master plan has always included a maintenance facility. Everything else is in place on the north side of the creek.

On the south side is a 100 x 200 foot steel covered free standing arena. The urban fishing pond project is outside this scope as a part of the fairgrounds project as it has its own funding sources and timeline based on funding and grant sources. Another aspect is a turnaround or second entrance on to U.S. 395. These are some larger features that are yet to be completed as part of the overall master plan for the fairgrounds.

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Mr. Krahn discussed a target range of \$250,000 for a concession stand which is a building very similar to the restroom. The entry arches could be very custom so there is no cost estimation at this time. Design fees could add another 10 percent. In response to a question, Mr. Krahn advised that the sewer stubs, water and electrical conduits are in. A grease interceptor is about \$30,000, but is not yet installed.

Mr. Fahrenbruch added that cost estimates for the 100 x 200 foot open area riding arena range from \$400,000 to \$800,000. He also added that the least expensive one he found was a kit for \$300,000 but figuring in installation, prevailing wage costs and other factors, it gets pretty pricey.

Mr. Krahn stated that part of the recommendation is based on public safety and reducing staff maintenance time. Staff time is at a premium with all the open positions available. New equipment is needed in order to get jobs completed in a timely and efficient manner. The funds are available and there are some needs at the public safety level and reducing the staff maintenance level. In conjunction with the displayed conceptual plan, he reviewed the recommended list of operational equipment and site amenity improvements which was included in the staff report.

(6:45:37) Mr. Fahrenbruch advised that the current tractor which is dedicated to the fairgrounds was purchased in 1996 and has twice as many hours as it should have before replacement. It has always been placed on the back burner due to the need for fire engines, police cars, etc. A dedicated tractor is needed for the fairgrounds as it is maintained year round, not just for events, but also for drop in riding. The arena has to be maintained weekly and ripped to a depth of 12 inches. The current tractor is 60 hp which is inadequate and in very poor condition. The proposal is to purchase an 80 hp tractor. This is critical in marketing the arena. The equestrian groups won't come back to the arena if it isn't maintained properly. Vehicle maintenance did an inquiry on repair and maintenance costs on the current tractor over the last 10 years which totaled \$7,000. It's not fiscally feasible to keep it. The cab is critical as the fairgrounds are maintained year round and the tractor operator needs to be protected from the elements. The implements are very aged and obsolete. A new fast track (a deep ripping implement), tine harrows, discs, and things to prep the arena are all needed.

The metal cold storage building is critical from a manpower and resources standpoint as everything can be kept there so time is not wasted going to and from Butti for materials and tools. There is no storage for anything there right now. A yard has recently been built for outdoor items, but tools and miscellaneous equipment need to be kept indoors. There will be a need for miscellaneous equipment for things that might come up, i.e., trailers.

In response to a question, Mr. Moellendorf advised that the left over funds from Mr. Pegram's donation were specified to be used throughout the project. In response to a further question, Mr. Fahrenbruch anticipates that the implements will be site specific. At Vice Chairperson Smolenski's request, Mr. Krahn pointed out the proposed location for the cold storage building. Mr. Moellendorf explained the intention for the cold storage building to fit in with the site. Mr. Fahrenbruch advised that the cold storage building was master planned as a maintenance shop. Mr. Krahn added that the donated funds were not only for the parking lot, but also for demolition. It was a projects donation, not necessarily for a specific thing.

(6:53:45) Commissioner Livermore advised of having discussed this item extensively with Chairperson Curtis, Mr. Moellendorf, and Mr. Fahrenbruch. He commented that the fairgrounds were torn down and a new fairgrounds built and a lot of equipment and mechanical items existed. He further advised of having

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priced tractors, and expressed the understanding for the need for a new tractor. He further advised of a “fully-metal super secure restroom and concession building” which staff decided to remove from the complex and is currently stored in the corporate yard. “That could have been part of the design and reduced the cost of that building.” He expressed the understanding for mechanical needs of the staff. The user groups which were involved with Fuji Park and Fairgrounds, i.e., Fuji Park Horseman’s Association, helped the City operate the facility. He advised that the Youth Sports Association is providing funding for City maintenance employees. He suggested that the Fuji Park/Fairgrounds user groups could do the same. He questioned \$250,000 as good judgment for a concession building and not reconstructing the “super secure restroom and concession building”. He advised that amenities should be built for the customers and renters and not for the employees. The fairgrounds picnic plaza shelter could be an attractive amenity. The five additional site amenities are crucial to the user wanting to return. Spectators are paying an entrance fee to attend an event, and if the amenities are not available, they may not want to enter and the event may suffer. A concession building is critical for any type of function. He advised of the portable concession building that is currently at the ice skating rink which can be brought down and imbedded in the structure. He said it’s a matter of water, sewer and power that can be somewhat semi permanently mounted until funds become available and encouraged staff to look into that.

(7:01:48) In response to a question, Mr. Moellendorf acknowledged that the fairgrounds needs amenities to make it comfortable for patrons and spectators. Right now, it’s kind of a harsh area. From the very early stages of the design process, staff knew there was a very limited budget and had the assistance of the fairgrounds user groups. It wasn’t just staff’s decision to do away with the restroom complex, but a joint decision made with the user groups. From the beginning, staff looked at the restroom and concession complex and decided the restroom complex was a higher priority. The sewer and water infrastructure needed to be in place. The mobile canteen was discussed, so concessions could be provided on a semi-permanent basis. It may also be possible to contract the concessions out with Bodine’s or another company on a per event basis. Often the event promoter arranges it accordingly. When there are large events, concessions will be available. He then complimented Mr. Fahrenbruch and Mr. Krahn on developing the site improvement list as including only things that are really needed. “We are building a first-rate facility and it deserves first-rate maintenance.” It is important that maintenance issues are addressed in the best manner possible. Commissioner Adams commented that he has dealt with a similar type arena where patrons bring horse trailers in with living quarters in which there is obviously a lot of money involved. A concern was providing hookups for those rigs, otherwise they may be using generators and creating noise issues. He suggested that it was something to think about in the future. Mr. Fahrenbruch suggested some of the needs listed by Commissioner Adams will be addressed as part of the west end improvements.

Chairperson Curtis commented that if we get an event that brings in \$100,000 to the City, it’s unfortunate because of system, that the Parks Department can’t get that \$100,000 because they’ve done all the work to bring the people to Carson City. If fire engines are needed first, then that’s where the money is going to go. Commissioner Livermore commented that generally speaking the budget allows for smaller equipment. In response to a question, Mr. Fahrenbruch advised that no funding was allocated to Parks Department small equipment. In response to a further question, Mr. Moellendorf anticipates carrying over capital requests from the current fiscal year to the next fiscal year.

Chairperson Curtis opened this item to public comment; however, none was forthcoming.

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5. ACTION ITEMS:

5-A. ACTION TO ADOPT A BY-LAW AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY COMMISSIONER WESTERGARD THAT PROVIDES FOR AUTOMATIC ASCENSION FROM THE VICE CHAIR POSITION TO THE CHAIR POSITION ANNUALLY AT THE OUTSET OF THE CALENDAR YEAR (7:10:08) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item, and Mr. Moellendorf reviewed the staff report. He read the existing and proposed language into the record. Commissioner Westergard provided background information on the proposed amendment. He commented that if there is a chair that's dedicated and effective, then "don't fix what ain't broke." The chair position has extra duties in preparation of, followup and presiding over the meetings. To not saddle anyone with that is fair. This option basically allows for grooming someone to take over for the chair and work with them for a year and bring someone else in. Another option would be to have a rotating chair. Chairperson Curtis expressed the belief that the chair position should rotate, and that everyone who would like to serve as chair should have the opportunity. She expressed concern that someone may accept the position of vice chair but would not want to ascend to the position of chair. She suggested the possibility of limiting the number of years one person could serve as chair in succession.

Commissioner Lehmann agreed that part of the idea is to get different people in the seat. He expressed concern that if the vice chair wasn't the best person for the job, then the commission would be required to keep that person, or if the chair was doing a great job, the commission would be bound to replace that person. Commissioner Livermore commented that most chair people who retain their seat work really hard and should be rewarded by that position. The work of an individual is recognized by their leadership and the time they've dedicated. The Board is relying on this commission to have good sound discussions and debates and provide them with the best information they have. He commented that term limits is going to start being an issue in the next four years, but will have a detrimental effect on the public. There will always be a right to turn out the mayor, commissioner, supervisor, etc., which is the election process. By rotating chairs or having an ascension policy, is a means to obtain something by no hard work.

Commissioner Adams commented that when he came on the commission, everyone was inexperienced with the exception of Commissioners Livermore and Curtis. He doesn't want to put rules and regulations in place which give the commission a chance to make that decision at this point. The process is working good at this point. Commissioner Lasco expressed agreement with Commissioner Adams' comments, and the opinion that the existing system works well. Commissioner Keeton commented that he is constitutionally opposed to rushing elections to the next post simply because they held the one below and doesn't believe in term limits. He commented that in years past when election time was coming up, people would be asked if anyone wanted the job. It generally went around the room and there would be a vote. That process worked fine. Perhaps the current chair can suggest everyone think about it and make it open. He doesn't believe in succeeding automatically to next chair. Commissioner Howe concurred, and expressed opposition to ever giving up her choice. Chairperson Curtis advised that she invests a great deal of time in the commission because she has time available. She suggested discussing other meetings and activities relevant to parks and recreation at the goal setting workshop. Commissioner Westergard expressed appreciation for the discussion, and the hope that it is worthwhile to revisit things from time to time. The consensus of the commission was that no formal action was necessary.

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5-B. ACTION TO SELECT SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2009, AS THE DATE FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION'S ANNUAL GOAL SETTING WORKSHOP (7:27:04) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item, and Mr. Moellendorf reviewed the staff report. Commissioner Livermore commented that the Board of Supervisors has previously had a strategic planning session and this commission needs to identify what road it wants to drive. This commission should have some time in a planning session where they can express why part of its budget should be devoted to this or that. **Commissioner Howe moved to select Saturday, March 21, 2009 as the date for the Parks and Recreation Commission's annual goal setting workshop. Commissioner Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.**

6. MEMBERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION (7:32:55) - Dave Morgan inquired as to the date and time of the workshop for the people at home. Chair Curtis advised it is scheduled for March 21, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. A place has yet to be determined. Commissioner Lehmann commented on his orientation today with Roger regarding the funding sources for Parks and Recreation and advised that there are only two areas where Parks and Recreation can increase their budget: grants and donations. He commented that the City is extremely adverse to tax increases. In the last election cycle, public safety went down in a huge defeat. Yet, the City approved Question 18 which is more taxes for parks and recreation which indicates that this is one area in which citizens are ready to "pony up." He's looking for a way to inform citizens that they can donate to Parks and Recreation and that it's a tax deductible donation. Commissioner Livermore added that there is a Parks Foundation for the betterment of Parks and Recreation.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (7:36:10) - None.

8. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (7:36:25) - Commissioner Livermore moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smolenski. Motion carried 9-0.

The Minutes of the February 3, 2009 Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission meeting are so approved this 3rd day of March, 2009.

DONNA J. CURTIS, Chair

*Minutes transcribed by Jano Barnhurst, February 26, 2009