

**CITY OF SANTA MARIA
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION**

**REGULAR
MEETING**

**MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2011**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
110 EAST COOK STREET**

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Brunello led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL/MINUTES:** Present: Commissioners Spry, Blough, Brunello, Grennan, George

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2011 REGULAR MEETING:

MSC Commissioners Blough/Spry: Recommended adopting the minutes of the September 27, 2011 regular meeting, as submitted:

Ayes: Five (5), Noes: Zero (0); Abstain: Zero (0)

4. **RECOGNITIONS:**
 - a. **October Volunteer of the Month** – Commissioner Blough presented Humberto Espinoza with a certificate to honor his dedication and commitment to the youth in our community, while serving as head coach in the Summer Youth Basketball League.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**
6. **STAFF PRESENTATION:**
 - a. **Parks** – Roy Teniente introduced himself and presented a power point overview on the Spring/Summer renovations that have been made to the Multi-use fields at Atkinson Park, Minami Park, Adam Basin, and Hagerman Fields.
7. **PUBLIC PRESENTATION: NONE**
8. **NEW BUSINESS:** Joe Arredondo was not present.

MSC Commissioners Spry/Blough: Recommended adopting Resolution 2011-04 honoring Joe Arredondo:

Ayes: Five (5); Noes: Zero (0); Abstain: Zero (0)

9. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**
10. **REPORTS:**
 - a. **Director/Staff:**
 - **Meeting Time and Location** – Director Posada spoke regarding a recommendation from Commissioner Blough to consider changing when and where Commission meetings are held, with a trial period to begin after January 1, 2012.
 - **December Meeting** – Director Posada suggested foregoing a formal meeting and holding an informative meeting in conjunction with P.L.A.Y.
 - **Condor Call Newsletter** – Director Posada informed the Commission that Los Flores Ranch is featured in an article and a day pass included.
 - **Budget Update** – Director Posada reviewed the Budget Recap for the month of September

noting that "Everything is fine". He spoke of the challenge to continue to provide the highest level of service that we can with less staff and that Teresa Reyburn, Recreation Services Manager has provided staff with a new tool (report) to help the department/divisions stay on track.

b. Recreation Services Manager/Staff:

- **Future Events** - Teresa Reyburn summarized all future events to be held.
- **Lights, Sights, & Holiday Nights** – Teresa Reyburn noted that the next meeting this program will be presented and a proposed list of categories for consideration will be provided.
- **Oakley Park** – On Friday, October 14 a representative from the State Parks and Recreation department will be here to do a site visit as part of a \$2.2 million grant

c. Commission:

- Commissioner Spry spoke of his concerns with comments made by Louie Escobar at a recent Rotary Club meeting and an article in the Santa Maria Times regarding the use of Los Flores Ranch as an open-space.
- Commissioner George spoke of recent events held, the Special Olympics Regional games, and the Autumn Arts Grapes and Grains Festival. There will be an all you can eat Crab Feed to benefit Special Olympics to be held at the Veterans Memorial Center
- Commissioner Brunello complimented Kirk Spry on the recent VTC open house, and reported on his visit with Sister Janet Corcoran at Marian Extended Care

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at City Council Chambers, 110 East Cook Street, Santa Maria.

Alexander Posada, Secretary