

**SOLANO COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
March 14, 2024**

**County Administration Center – 675 Texas Street,
1st Floor, MP Rooms 1600-1620, Fairfield
10:00 a.m.**

Members Present: Chair Mike Alvarez
Vice-Chair Michael Whited
Commissioner Donta Kendrick

Members Excused: Commissioner Robin Leong

Staff Present: Parks Manager Chris Drake
Clerk Melissa Catron

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Alvarez called the meeting to order at 10:02am. A quorum was confirmed.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The meeting minutes for January 11, 2024 were approved.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was unanimously approved as prepared.

4. Chair and Commissioner Comments

Chair Alvarez advised that he would not be present for the May 9th, 2024 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. He requested the other Commissioners communicate with Parks Staff regarding absences for any future meetings to ensure a quorum is met.

5. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6. Staff Report

A. Attendance & Revenue Summary

Parks Manager Chris Drake reported that as of 2/29/2024, Parks revenues are sitting at 76% of the 2023/24 revenue goal (FY23/24 revenue goal is \$700,000).

B. Status Updates

Public Access: Patwino Park is not yet open; it is not known at this time when the new park will open to the public. Discussion took place regarding the installation of infrastructure and other projects to be completed by Solano Land Trust in order to open the park to the public.

Chris Drake reported to the Commission that there were wet weather closures at Lynch Canyon on 1/21 and 1/22/2024; 2/2/2024 through 2/25/2024; and 3/2/2024.

Projects and Initiatives: Parks Manager Chris Drake reported that the environmental review process is still ongoing regarding the ARPA funded projects at Lake Solano park and Sandy Beach park.

Discussion took place on various small vegetation restoration projects taking place at Lake Solano park as well as Sandy Beach park and minor updates to park assets that were started prior to the LNU fire in 2020.

For public safety, the boat launch and dock at Sandy Beach park have been closed until the appropriate repairs can be made.

FWPF Grant Fund Balance: Parks Staff reported to the Commission the current balance of the Fish and Wildlife Grant Fund.

7. Confirm date of next regular meeting on May 9, 2024 and Adjourn

The next Commission meeting was confirmed for May 9, 2024. Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42am.