



**RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FOWLER
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022
6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET
FOWLER, CA 93625**

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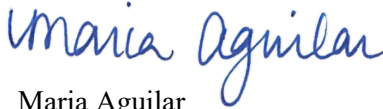
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1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call

3. Public Presentation – (This portion of the meeting reserved for persons desiring to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda. Presentations are limited to five minutes per person and no more than 15 minutes per topic).
4. APPROVE Minutes of the April 12, 2022, Recreation Commission Meeting
5. Monthly Budget Report
6. 4th of July
7. Veterans Day Fun Run
8. Pharoah's Car Club Event
9. Commissioner Reports and Comments
10. Next meeting: June 14, 2022
11. Adjournment

CERTIFICATION: I, Maria Aguilar, Administrative Assistant for the City of Fowler, California, hereby certify that the foregoing agenda was posted for public review on Friday, May 6, 2022.



Maria Aguilar

Administrative Assistant

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FOWLER RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER CA. 93625
APRIL 12, 2021

Pursuant to section 2-2.206 of the City of Fowler Code of Ordinances, the Recreation Commission shall hold meetings at least once each month, at a time and place set by resolution, and shall adopt rules for the conduct of business and shall instruct the secretary to keep accurate record of its minutes, resolutions, transactions, and other business.

Such records shall be a public record and shall be maintained in the office of the City Clerk.

All meetings shall be open to the public and shall abide by the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. A majority of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business. (Ord. 78-1, 4-5-78)

Pursuant to the notice of meeting duly given, a meeting of the City of Fowler Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in person at the City of Fowler City Council Chambers located at 128 South 5th Street, Fowler, Ca. 93625.

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Upon completion of roll call a quorum was established based on the following attendance:

Roll Call: Patric Jones (Chairman), Stephanie Mejia (Secretary), Jose Alvarez, Wilson Parker

Commissioners Absent: Monique Velasquez-Lopez, Roy Alatorre,

City Staff Present: Recreation Department Coordinator, Yvonne Hernandez

City Council Liaison Present: City Councilman, Juan Mejia

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Chairman Jones called for public presentations. There being no presentations from the public in person or via the teleconference, this portion of the meeting was concluded.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chairman Jones asked if there are any additions or corrections to the minutes of the March 8, 2022 Recreation Commission Meeting. There being no further additions, and upon motion by Commissioner Alvarez and second by Commissioner Parker, the following resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the minutes of the March 8, 2022 City of Fowler Recreation Commission meeting.

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Coordinator Hernandez gave the monthly budget report stating that we had \$3,469.96 and now have a balance of \$1,200 after the Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt event. This leaves us a bit of a cushion for the 4th of July event. Potential to utilize funds for traffic control signage which can be used every year.

SPRING FEST RECAP

Discussion ensued regarding the recent Spring Fest event. Coordinator Hernandez reported that we had great participation from vendors and would like to extend the footprint of the event to accommodate growth. Potential to incorporate a pancake breakfast in the park. Potential for improvement on the setup process for the vendors which can be discussed at a later date. Suggestion was made to create shirts to distinguish the Commission which will give attendees the opportunity to seek assistance if needed.

EASTER SCAVENGER HUNT RECAP

Discussion ensued regarding the recent Easter Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, April 9th. Chairman Jones said the event was great. Coordinator Hernandez reported that the community had positive feedback, the clues were great, people were engaged and moving throughout town. Donations from within the community were well received. Commissioner Alvarez asked how we had so many gifts and was impressed with the number of prizes. He continued to share that the new structure of the event with the citywide hunt has greatly improved the event and community participation. Councilman Mejia mentioned the success of the mini egg hunt for kids under 5 years of age and particularly enjoyed how the kids helped each other to find eggs. Participants leave with a substantial amount of candy and prizes. Coordinator Hernandez stated that businesses and churches donated all of the prizes.

FERRELL'S CAR CLUB

Coordinator Hernandez provided additional insight on the car club event and the partnership between the club and the City of Fowler. The city would assist with traffic control. Ferrell's would be responsible for collecting all fees (registration and other costs associated). The event typically contains a beer garden. Commissioner Alvarez asked how the event benefits children and families to which Coordinator Hernandez reported that a number of families come to this event. Coordinator Hernandez will get additional information after speaking with additional city staff before bringing this item back to the commission for final consideration. The Commission would also consider adding a chili cook-off to the event sponsored by the city.

FABULOUS 4TH OF JULY FIREWORK SHOW

Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming firework event. Decorations and fireworks are paid for. Chairman Jones asked if a nonprofit had come forth to sell waters at the event. A band at the rate of \$500 is available as well as a new sound engineer which Coordinator Hernandez will secure for the event. She will also take care of the facility use permit with the school district. Setup will begin at 8am the morning of the event which is when Commissioners should arrive. Early May the flyer will go out in the water bill. Chairman Jones requested that the water bottle fundraising opportunity be given to an organization that really needs it.

VETERANS DAY FUN RUN

Chairman Jones shared the cost ensued with the event and the potential to build the event up if the City of Fowler adopts this into its inventory of events. Coordinator Hernandez recommended a partnership with BeeSweet or Jaylene Budwig. Chairman Jones would continue to speak with the current event organizer and the Commission will revisit this subject after further consideration.

FARMER'S MARKET

First Farmer's Market is scheduled for July 27th which will be Heroes night (both characters and Police Department, Fire department, EMT, etc.) Music, vendors, and specific themes each week. Will also have Christmas ornaments towards the end of the series. Additional lighting for the events and lighting has been updated at the Senior Center which helps provide additional lighting for evening events. Chairman Jones would like to bring out the kids from the dojo. Will do another Redcat night with a DJ and youth football. Commissioner Parker asked about bringing the school band out and Coordinator Hernandez agreed that the Jazz Band would be a great addition. Fowler alumni invited as well.

SESQUICENTENNIAL

Chairman Jones asked for an update on the status of the 150-year celebration. Commissioner Mejia reported that the Committee has selected additional community members to join the planning committee and that planning was halted with the passing of Mayor Cardenas. Further updates forthcoming.

The Committee is scheduled to meet monthly and additional updates will be provided as they develop.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Chairman Jones asked for Commissioner updates. No reports provided.

OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Jones reported that the next Recreation Commission meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Alvarez to adjourn the meeting which was concluded at 7:00pm.

Patric Jones
Commissioner Chairman

Stephanie Mejia
Commission Secretary