



**RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FOWLER
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022
6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET
FOWLER, CA 93625**

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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 May 10, 2022, Recreation Commission Meeting
5. Monthly Budget Report
6. Veteran's Day Fun Run Final Vote
7. Pharaoh's Car Club Event Final Vote
8. 4th of July
9. Farmers Market
10. Commissioner Reports and Comments
11. City Council Liaison comments
12. Next meeting: July 12, 2022
13. 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 Thursday June 9, 2022.



Maria Aguilar

Administrative Assistant

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FOWLER RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 SOUTH 5TH STREET, FOWLER CA. 93625
MAY10, 2022

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, May 10, 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.

In the absence of Chairman Jones, Commissioner Secretary Mejia called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

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

Roll Call: Stephanie Mejia (Secretary), Roy Alatorre, Jose Alvarez, Susie Rico-Vasquez, Monique Velasquez-Lopez

Commissioners Absent: Patric Jones (Chairman), Wilson Parker,

City Staff Present: Recreation Department Coordinator, Yvonne Hernandez

City Council Liaison Present: City Councilman, Juan Mejia

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

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

NEW COMMISSIONER WELCOME

Secretary Mejia welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Susie Rico-Vasquez to the team and invited her to share a bit about herself. Commissioner Rico stated that she has been a proud resident of Fowler for the past 12 years and looks forward to joining the Commission and all that we will do together. Secretary Mejia informed Commissioner Rico that she is welcome to reach out to any member of the Commission if she had any questions as she settles into her new role.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Secretary Mejia asked if there are any additions or corrections to the minutes of the April 12, 2022 Recreation Commission Meeting. There being no further additions, and upon motion by Commissioner Alvarez and second by Commissioner Alatorre, the following resolution was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the minutes of the April 12, 2022 City of Fowler Recreation Commission meeting.

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Coordinator Hernandez gave the monthly budget report stating that we began this fiscal year with \$36,000 dollars and have a remaining balance of \$248.00. Signage and decorations are already purchased for the 4th of July event. Overall, the budget moving forward has been increased to \$50,000. Additionally, there is \$10,000 in the Recreation budget which is designated for the sesquicentennial celebration and festivities.

FABULOUS 4TH OF JULY FIREWORK SHOW

Coordinator Hernandez gave a report on the upcoming event highlighting the following elements:

- Band named 4-Play has been secured and will perform from 6:30pm to dusk.
- New sound engineer booked for the event.
- Banner will go up on June 1st on Merced Street, all flags will go up on Merced Street as well.
- Commissioner responsibilities will be assigned at the June Recreation Commission meeting.
- Commissioners' arrival is at 8am. Commissioners can bring friends or family members that are willing to assist with setup. Once decorating is complete Commissioners are excused to return to the stadium at 5PM.
- Gates will open to the public at 6PM.
- Signage will be added along the fence stating "no ice chests permitted" - advertise on social media as well.
- Pyrotechnician is also ready to go, and they have a special firework in the shape of 150 in honor of the sesquicentennial. This is a ground show visible by everyone attending the event in the stadium.

Commissioner Mejia reported on the VIP Lounge area which is intended to provide additional fundraising for the sesquicentennial. Additionally, Coordinator Hernandez reported that the snack bar and paid parking which are normally given to a local organization may be used as fundraising opportunities for the Sesquicentennial event. Final plans for these elements will be reported in the June Recreation meeting.

VETERANS DAY FUN RUN

Coordinator Hernandez reported on the Fun Run, as it was requested that the Commission partner in the ownership of the event. Coordinator Hernandez will report to Larry, the event coordinator, alternatives for sponsorship opportunities. At this time, the City of Fowler does not intend to fully adopt this event.

PHAROAH'S CAR CLUB

Coordinator Hernandez provided additional insight on the car club event and informed the commission that the City of Fowler would assist with rental of restrooms, road closure signs, and advertisement of the event.

Coordinator Hernandez would communicate with both leaders to explain the cities position on both events.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Secretary Mejia asked for Commissioner updates and explained that this portion of the meeting was designated to give each Commissioner the opportunity to share community feedback and new event ideas. Commissioner Alatorre suggested a business expo be considered as part of an already existing event to help support local businesses within the community (potentially part of a Farmer's Market). Commissioner Mejia recommended that planning begin earlier for the Trunk or Treat attractions in order to open up options. She also stated that with the increase in budget for this fiscal year each event should have age specific attractions or activities in order to provide options for every age resulting in fully balanced experience for our residents. Coordinator Hernandez discussed the potential to rebrand the Farmers Market since most residents attend for the atmosphere and the selection of food vendors. A heavier focus will be to secure even more food vendors to build on this experience and Commissioner Mejia recommended bringing in an attraction every other week to keep residents engaged and looking forward to attending.

OTHER MATTERS

Secretary Mejia reported that the next Recreation Commission meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Alatorre and seconded by Commissioner Rico-Vasquez to adjourn the meeting which was concluded at 6:58pm.

Patric Jones
Commissioner Chairman

Stephanie Mejia
Commission Secretary