



Chair McNally asked if they have about 125 members. Mr. Krause stated the organization itself is larger but they have pushed it to 136 athletes. The novice squads are a bit smaller than usual. The additional eleven members do not put more rowers on the water since they only take out so many rowers at any given time. Chair McNally asked if the rowers were from Redwood High School. Mr. Krause stated most of the rowers are from Redwood High School, but some are from Tamalpais High School, Marin Academy, Marin Catholic, etc. They also have a large adult membership who row at different times during the day.

M/s Friedel/Matteo, to recommend extension of the permit conditions for the Marin Rowing Association with the changes noted by staff.

Ayes: All    Absent: Blauvelt

## 2. PowerPoint Progress Report on Mini Park Action Plan by PW/Eng Director Houilhan

Public Works Director Houilhan made a staff report. She stated the Mini Parks Action Plan was progressing. The landscape architect has completed the assessment. She is working on the noticing for the meetings that would be held at Heatherwood Park and Greenbrae School Park. The intent of the meetings was to gain information from the local residents about what they would like to see and how they would like to participate in a joint community involvement effort. The meetings would occur in mid-February. The goal is to have the meetings at the parks on a Saturday morning. Advertising for the meetings would occur at the parks and on the City Website. Staff is also preparing a mailer and info survey for the businesses and residents around Hamilton Park. She would be coming back to the Commission with the results and recommendations that come from those meetings. She would like to hold a Beautification Day in May that would involve the community in helping with some type of enhancement in one of the parks.

Public Works Director Houilhan reported that the City Council recently awarded the construction contract for the Public Works Building. Demolition has started. The Public Works Department should be out of Piper Park by the end of May. Staff would be coming back to the Commission for some ideas about that area of the park, the parking lot area, etc.

Public Works Director Houilhan reported that the various projects associated with the Bon Air Bridge mitigation are progressing. Staff is working on permitting, environmental clearances, etc. She will return to the Commission sometime in the spring for direction on the design of these projects- the conversion of the current Dog Park to wetlands and construction of a new Dog Park. Chair McNally asked if the City Council approved the location (next to the Central Marin Police Facility) of the new Dog Park. Public Works Director Houilhan stated "yes". Restoration of the current Dog Park would include an educational overlook. Both docks near the Marin Rowing Club are included in the remediation and staff is working on designs. She discussed the plans for Hillview

Park including some re-grading, realignment of the multi-use pathway, and re-vegetation to better filter stormwater runoff.

Chair McNally thanked staff for pruning the bushes around the Magnolia (Centennial) Park sign.

Commissioner Matteo asked about the funding for the Mini Parks Action Plan. Public Works Director Houilhan stated it was being funded through Measure “A”.

Chair McNally asked how the mitigation funds for the Bon Air Bridge would be used. Public Works Director Houilhan stated the projects include the restoration of the current Dog Park, construction of the new Dog Park, rehabilitation of the docks at Marin Rowing Club, modifications of Bon Air Park to accommodate ADA access down to the dock, modifications to Hillview Park, and the modifications to the Magnolia Avenue street frontage that she discussed.

### 3. Nomination/Installation of new Parks and Recreation Commission Chair/Vice Chair

M/s Friedel/Hauser, to elect Commissioner Matteo as Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Ayes: All     Absent: Blauvelt

M/s Friedel/Matteo, to elect Commissioner Hauser as Vice Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Ayes: All     Absent: Blauvelt

Recreation Director Whitley thanked Commissioner McNally for his year of service as Chair of the Commission.

### RECREATION DIRECTOR’S ORAL REPORT

Recreation Director Whitley reported newly elected Councilmember Catherine Way was appointed as the Parks and Recreation Commission Liaison and that she was in attendance this evening. Plans are under way for this year’s Super Cool Summer School. Staff has already received registration forms for Kinder Kamp. The Hooked on Marin Speaker Series, sponsored by the Larkspur Recreation Department, Larkspur Library, Town of San Anselmo, Corte Madera Recreation Department, College of Marin, and the Tamalpais Union High School District, will begin in the fall. He would inform the Commission about the topics chosen for next year. The Measure “A” funds have been received by the City of Larkspur and he would report back to the Commission next month about the amount.

Commissioner Matteo asked if people could do on-line registration for the Super Cool Summer School. Recreation Director Whitley stated this type of program did not lend itself to on-line registration and a “personal touch” was needed.

Recreation Supervisor Clegg reported on the very successful Teen Programs including Ice Skating, Dodge Ball, Movie Night, and more. She is making plans for the summer. Commissioner Matteo had questions about the rental of vans.

#### COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Friedel briefly discussed the formation of a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization called the Larkspur Rec’ing Crew. The funds generated would be used to support Parks and Recreation Department activities, capital projects, etc. They are working on the incorporation papers, the by-laws, the formation of officers, etc. She noted all the individuals involved are donating their time- lawyers, accountants, etc.

Commissioner Matteo reported on the last Station Area Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting and noted the group has disbanded.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary