

**March 16, 2023 MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
PARKS, RECREATION, & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

The Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs Commission (PRCA) of the City of Farmington met in a regular session on Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 6:45 p.m. at the Farmington Civic Center, 200 W. Arrington, Farmington, NM. Roll call was taken with attendance as follows:

Members Present: Debora Cutler, Chair; Evan Noel; Leslie Thompson; Ken LaCasse; Carla Stimac; Patricia Baca;

Members Absent: Larry Hilliard; George Golombowski, Vice Chair; Melissa Mortensen; Vicki Campbell;

PRCA Staff Present: Natalie Spruell, Interim Director; Christa Chapman, Assistant Director of Cultural Affairs & Marketing; Debbie Homer, PRCA Administrative Aide;

Guest(s) Mike Foster

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- ✦ Deb Cutler called the PRCA meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of February 16, 2023. A motion was made by Leslie Thompson, seconded by Patricia Baca to approve the minutes of February 16, 2023; upon vote, the minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

**NEW BUSINESS - NONE**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS -**

- a. Fees – First Responder Discounts

Ms. Spruell advised the commission that the previous fee proposal was approved by City Council, however they requested that First Responders be included for fee discounts. Staff met and agreed on recommendations. Ms. Spruell reviewed the recommendations with commissioners. After a brief discussion Chair Cutler said that if there was no other discussion she requested a motion. Mr. LaCasse moved to accept the First Responder discounts as presented. Ms. Stimac seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Chair Cutler recognized Ms. Spruell to present the department report. Ms. Spruell began the department report by announcing to the commission the City Council approved name of the new all abilities park is Boundless Adventures, All Abilities Park.

Ms. Spruell stated that the department will be very busy with events and activities for the upcoming spring break next week. She advised the commission that multiple projects have begun or will be completed in the next few weeks. These projects include: Phase 1A for Gateway Park, Brookside Skatepark, Brookside parking lot, and Sports Complex Field. Ms. Spruell said that Farmington Lake will open for the season Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Piñon Hills Golf Course grand opening date has been set for May 5<sup>th</sup>.

The question was asked if the trail tours of recently purchased property will begin again before summer starts. Ms. Spruell said absolutely and will look into possible tour dates for commission members.

**COMMISSIONER BUSINESS**

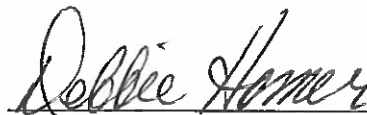
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**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further discussion, Ms. Baca moved to adjourn, Ms. Thompson seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next meeting will be held April 20, 2023



Deborah Cutler, Chair



Debbie Homer, PRCA Administrative Aide