

Town of Fairfax
Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC)

Elon Rosenfeld, Chair; Vicki Burns, Treasurer; Richard Pedemonte, Monty Stephens, Sisi Parry-Hanson, Shoshana Parry, Sam Parry, Artists in Residence, David Smadbeck, Community-at-large representative, Camille Esposito, FOCAS Coordinator

Minutes of
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commissions
Monday, March 14, 2011
7:00 –9:00 p.m.
16 Park Road
Fairfax

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Elon Rosenfeld, Richard Pedemonte, Sisi Parry-Hanson, Shoshana Parry, Sam Parry. Staff in attendance: Camille Esposito, FOCAS Coordinator; Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator. Others in attendance: Susan Brandborg, Fairfax Historical Society; Steve Gallagher, West Marin Little League

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes of the February 7th meeting were approved.

1. New Business

- 1) **Night time lights at Contratti field (for baseball games)**-Steve Gallagher, President of West Marin Little League, made a pitch for temporary use of lights at Contratti Field to allow for nighttime games. His request was for just one weekend (Friday and Saturday night) in late Spring, early Summer, as a trial run. The lights are being donated by West Bay Builders, so there is no cost involved. They will be rolled in on Friday evening, and rolled out on Saturday night, so they will not remain on the field. They would be run by a generator. He is not sure of the volume of the generator, but will test it out beforehand. If there are any complaints, the lights will not be used again. Steve will give Maria the dates of usage in advance. **MOTION: PARC voted to approve the one time use of temporary lights at Contratti Field for evening baseball games this season.**

- 2) **Film Night by Fairfax Historical Society**- Susan Brandborg had attended the February meeting and submitted an application on behalf of the Fairfax Historical Society to host a “movie night” at the Fairfax Women’s Club on Friday, March 18th from 8-10 p.m. The movies shown will include “Bronco Billy and the School Mistress” (1911); “The Man from Tiajuana”(1917); and “Emma’s Time Machine (1946) as well as additional slides. The event is free to the public. It has been

promoted in the IJ and on the Town's website. Susan invited all the PARC commissioners to attend, Sam will be there. **MOTION: PARC recommended to approve the sponsorship of this event.**

- 3) **Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday, April 23rd)**-Maria announced the event is planned for 10:00 a.m. in Bolinas Park on this date. She will purchase plastic eggs and candy and have volunteers stuff the eggs. She will inquire as to whether Ivy will still play the bunny. Camille suggested Monty's daughter might be interested if Ivy is not available.

II. Old Business Reports/Updates

a) **FOCAS & MOU Update**- Camille announced the MOU was dissolved with San Anselmo following each Town's Council meeting. She submitted a mock up of a FOCAS brochure she is working on, which was well received by PARC members. Maria suggested she make copies of the brochure available at the egg hunt since there will be many families present. She is considering offering a martial arts class on Monday & Wednesday afternoons in the Pavilion. The martial arts class will be debuted at summer camp, and FOCAS may have a float in the Fairfax parade. Camille will also take over all bookings at the Pavilion, to make the programming of the facility more uniform. The San Anselmo Recreation guide has been distributed to all households in Fairfax, and FOCAS has advertised on the entire back page for advertising for \$500.

b) **Artists-in-Residence**-Shoshana wrapped up the ceramics class this week. She has an opportunity to obtain an electric kiln for firing as a donation from College of Marin and is looking for a location. She will consult with Judy Anderson, Town Clerk and Mark Lockaby, Building Inspector on the process. She is also considering adding another ceramics class in May to run through mid-June, due to popular demand. Sam announced the play is moving forward.

c) Goals for 2011-

- Revamp stage in the Pavilion so it is user-friendly (submitted by Sam). Sam would like to build a better stage in the Pavilion so it extends out longer, and is one level. He will discuss this with Michael Rock, and then submit plans for his proposal. Sam will find the materials to make the stage more viable at no cost to the town. He would like to extend it out an additional 10 feet on each side. He also recommended moving the piano that is in the Youth Center to the Pavilion, which Camille supports.
- Embark on a joint venture with the Marin County Bicycle Coalition(MCBC) (submitted by Elon). Elon will approach the

MCBC about a project that PARC can collaborate on, such a car free Sunday, or event of that nature.

- Work with the Chamber of Commerce and Fairfax Volunteers to recruit more volunteers (submitted by Camille).
- Continue with the Pavilion Restoration/Improvement Project to maintain upgrades to the Pavilion (submitted by Sisi).

c) **Peri Park clean-up** –Camille announced she is looking at May 14th for a potential Peri Park clean-up/social event. The goal is to bring in more parent volunteers to maintain the park, and have an ice cream social as an ice breaker for new residents. She also mentioned there is an accessibility issue with having a second gate in Peri Park. She will bring this to the attention of Public Works.

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Monday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.