

Town of Fairfax

Minutes of
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commission
Monday, May 13, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Sleeping Lady Cafe
23 Broadway
Fairfax

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Elon Rosenfeld, Richard Pedemonte, Monty Stephens, Sisi Parry-Hansen, Shoshana Parry, Sam Parry. Staff in attendance: Maria Baird, Community Resources Coordinator, Anne Mannes, FOCAS Coordinator, Mayor John Reed. Others in attendance: Matt Tasley, David Johnson, Jo Carson-Reed, Veronica Perry, Holly Bragman, Ted Pugh

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The May minutes were approved.

1. **New Business**

1. **Proposal for tennis lessons in Fairfax-** David Johnson, representative of the United States Tennis Association (USTA) made a presentation on a program he is offering. He is proposing to give free tennis lessons to youth in Fairfax, for ages 5-10, at the Peri Park tennis courts. He has obtained grants through the USTA to purchase equipment such as nets, rackets & balls for youth. He will incorporate the lessons into the Camp Fairfax through FOCAS during the last week of camp. Then he would like to offer lessons on Fridays & Saturdays. His classes can accommodate 48 children.

MOTION: PARC made a motion to support the program being offered by David Johnson of the USTA. PARC requested that David also attend the August meeting to give an update as it gets closer to the tennis clinics. All members supported the motion.

2. **Introduction of new Artist-in-Residence-** Matt Tasley was welcomed as the new artist-in-residence for the Town. Maria presented Matt with the signed agreement between the Town and Matt. The next step will be to provide Matt with a key to the loft. Sam & Shoshana have cleared out half of the loft space; the remaining area will be cleared by the end of July.
3. **Proposal for mural at the parkade** –Veronica made an informational presentation to the group. She submitted photos of the proposed artwork, which consists of a mosaic (see attached). The wall she is proposing runs along Broadway, from the movie theater to the corner (across Fradelizio's). Veronica would like to enlist the help of youth for the project. Maria explained that the parkade will soon be undergoing a construction upgrade, thanks to a recent grant (Parkade

Circulation project) that has been obtained. Veronica responded it would give her more time to raise money to conduct the project. Maria also announced that PARC will be revising the process of how public artwork gets approved later in the meeting, so there will be new guidelines for potential artists to follow. There was a previous request from Chris Lang regarding a mural on the parkade, which will also be addressed once the new policy is adopted. Maria added that the process may include a Request for Proposals (RFP), since there is now more than one applicant interested in conducting such a project. At this point, Elon requested the revision process be held over until the next meeting, due to time constraints. Richard invited Veronica to come back to a future meeting to formally submit her project proposal.

4. **Recognition ceremony for outgoing Artists-in-Residence-** Maria presented Sam & Shoshana with a Certificate of Appreciation, signed by the Mayor. PARC then bestowed a gift certificate for a two night stay at a Bolinas beach house (courtesy of Richard Pedemonte) to the couple. Lastly, Holly presented the artists with a gift basket to enjoy their weekend getaway.

The following items were held over until the next meeting:

- Discussion/Revise process for considering Public Art Policy
- Fairfax Festival report
- PARC's input on Town Council interviews & appointment process
- FOCAS update on Camp Fairfax

Next Meeting: set for Monday, August 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Youth Center. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.