



Sausalito Parks and Recreation Commission
420 Litho Street, Sausalito, CA 94965
Edgewater Room, City Hall
Wednesday, October 20, 2010 6:30 PM

Agenda

Call to Order

- Approve Minutes of June 16, 2010
- Approve Minutes of September 15, 2010

Public Comment

Open time for the public to comment on any item not on the agenda.

Business Items

- Operation of Cass' Marina – Heather Richard
 - Oral report and Commission questions
 - PUBLIC COMMENT – limited to 3 minutes/person
 - Commission discussion and direction, if any
- Robin Sweeny Park, Landscape Architect Selection – Mike Langford
 - Oral report and Commission questions
 - PUBLIC COMMENT – limited to 3 minutes/person
 - Commission discussion and direction, if any
- Report on Special Events 2010 – Erin Stroud
 - Oral report and Commission questions
 - PUBLIC COMMENT – limited to 3 minutes/person
 - Commission discussion and direction, if any

Director's Report - to include but not limited to:

- Halloween
- FY 2011 Budget Update
- Statistics
- Harrison Park Update

Communication Includes selection of Future Agenda items

Commissioners may speak briefly about items of interest to the Commission that did not appear on the agenda. No action may be taken on any items.

Adjournment

Up-coming Community Meetings

- Sausalito Marin City School District Board Meeting November 18th @ 7pm
- City Council Meeting November 9th @ 7 PM
- Chamber of Commerce Mixer November 18th @ 5:30pm – 7:30pm- TBA
- Sausalito Merchants Meeting November 9th @ 8:30am- 9:30am - TBA
- Next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting December 15th @ 6:30pm

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Minutes

Call To Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by John Lerner, Commission Chair.
- Commissioners Present: Doreen Gounard, Joe Burns, Melissa Mooney, and Sela Seleska
- Staff: Mike Langford- Parks and Recreation Director, Erin Stroud- Recreation Coordinator

Minutes

- Approve Minutes of June 2, 2010 with the following amendments:
 - Tom Perazzo stated that there was a decrease in sales at Jazz and Blues by the bay as a result of the Farmer's market.
- Recommendation for Annette Rose to be nominated for Grand Marshal for 4th of July
- Motion by Doreen Gounard to accept changes, second by Joe Burns

Business Items

- Harrison Park Playground Improvements
 - Been out of play equipment for 10- 15 years
 - About 10 years ago Lions Club would like to be part of this rehabilitation project of the park
 - 2 ½ year ago a proposal was put forward for re-designed of new play equipment
 - The proposal was pulled by City Manager, he felt the equipment in adequate and issues with height of retaining wall and amount of fill
 - Working with Don Olson's architects and various playground manufacturers in regards to various designs, ADA requirements, safety and guidelines
 - Biggest issue was working with such a small space to meet requirements and fitting equipment
 - A designed sketch was presented by Don Olson and Associates
 - Using the same entry zone with ramp of max 5 degree per ADA with decompose granite when it rains the water goes right through it
 - Getting paver to reduce water issues
 - Thoughts of grass be put in but becomes an issue with maintenance and pets
 - Drinking fountain next to steps
 - Main play area with tot swings and normal child swings, largest structure with stairs with a 60 inch platform transitioning to a 72 inch platform leading to a spiral slide, and a teeter totter
 - Safety Zone: Area around front of swing area needs to have a clear space and cannot be shared verse teeter totter is allowed to have shared area
 - Working with architect to make equipment fit in space appropriately
 - Surfacing will be wood chips and meets ADA requirement
 - Another \$15,000 CIP funds \$30,000 committed from the City
 - Waiting for any comments and then back to Planning Department in July
 - Accommodates two age groups 2 to 4 and 6 to 12

- Motion to pass this on to Planning for approval, all in FAVOR
- 4th of July Parade Grand Marshal
 - In the last meeting Elmo Maggiora was suggested to be Grand Marshal
 - Melissa Mooney: unsure of who this person is, do we have a a little bio about this person
 - Doreen Gounard: suggested Annette Rose because she's been in the community and have participated in supporting the community with various things
 - John Lerner: Elmo Maggiora has been going through kidney dialysis and has been very ill but in hopes he'll be able to participate. We might need to suggest a secondary in case he's not physically able to participate.
 - Melissa Mooney: who's Ann Arnott?
 - John Lerner: has been on several different boards and have volunteered in the community, served on numerous boards, commission and committees, been with the Art Festival for over 30 years
 - Melissa Mooney: How about Leonard Kaprillian?
 - John Lerner: Leonard has been around the community for many years, been on boards with Chamber of Commerce and Art Festival. Has participated in scholarship programs for students. But he's been very ill, in his 80's
 - Melissa Mooney: all these people who have been described are worthy of the honor in being the grand marshal but seems these people may not be able to participate due to health issues. Maybe we can elect Annette or Ann for next year. And narrow down Elmo and Leonard for this year
 - John Lerner: Leonard's on a wheelchair and probably won't be physically up to it. And think Elmo will be the same.
 - Doreen Gounard: Wouldn't it be more appropriate to have their families represent them even if they weren't able to participate?
 - John Lerner: I think Leonard has participate before. Would like to make a recommendation to elect Elmo to participate.
 - Melissa Mooney: It's a good choice to elect Elmo if Leonard has already been grand marshal but also make sure to have Ann Arnott on the list for next year
 - Erin Stroud: If she is not elected this year, I think she would be great as one of the judges for the parade
 - Joe Burns: in support of the decision of selected Elmo and Ann for next year
 - John Lerner making a motion in contacting Elmo for Grand Marshal
 - All in FAVOR

Director's Report

- FY 2010 Budget Update
 - Total Park & Recreation have spent 85% of our budget
 - 140% was spent for furniture but will be receiving a reimbursement from Rec'ers
 - Arias was budget for \$9000 and spent under \$6000
 - Revenue of adopted budget was \$324,000 up to \$365,000. \$345,000 in mid- year adjustments. Out of the \$365,000 approximately \$6000 received and will be transferred into the next fiscal year's budget for Fireworks
 - Adult classes has been a success, more classes have been brought in with good revenue
 - For next year's budget for adult classes it's budget for \$41,000

- May Statistics
 - Exactly the same
- Jazz and Blues by the Bay Update
 - 3 new staff members on Jazz crew, they are great hard working
 - 6 returning staff members
 - New design on sweatshirts almost sold out, had to re-order
 - Had staff members work the fireworks donation box every night of Jazz. First night got \$600 in donation towards fireworks fund
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- Caledonia Street Spring Faire Report
 - Erin: street faire was awesome
 - 95 booths total: 60 was artists/ vendors booths, 4 Caledonia Street Merchants, 11 sponsor booths, 4 Caledonia Restaurant booths
 - Evaluation form went out to all vendors who participated in the faire. This form will give us great feedback of how the faire was and how their sales were
 - The faire was filled with lots of people
 - The Nursery School who organized the food booth had lines all day long and did very well in sales and raising funds
 - Over \$6000 was made from the kids area
 - Expenditures were \$17,000
 - Seed money was given by the Nursery School
 - Will anticipate on making \$12,000 each to city and to Nursery School
 - Pancake Breakfast did not do well, not publicized enough
 - The Pancake Breakfast funds would benefit the firework fund
- Vina del Mar Sister City 50th Anniversary Update
 - Saturday, June 12th from 11am to 1pm
 - Great music and dancers taught the Commissions how to dance
 - Great weather was on our side
 - They made empanadas, wine
 - A new plaque was installed
 - Our event was in the Marin Scope front page
 - Rec'ers sold wine sales
 - Erin: presented John Lerner a Kit Kat Bar for being part of the Rec'ers
 - Rotary Club is working on the Vina del Mar
- 4th of July Parade
 - Have received several entry forms already
 - Erin will be running the parade in line-up
 - Jeff will handle the evening activities leading up to fireworks
 - Mike will be helping on day festivities after the parade leading to Dunphy Park fun
 - Commissioners will be on a float or vehicle
 - Table sales for night of fireworks
- Arias in the Afternoon
 - San Francisco Opera has agreed to come back
 - They requested to have mirrors in their tent
 - Each table will have basket of strawberries and bottle of champagne

- Saturday August 8th from 2pm to 4pm
- Memorial Bench
 - New bench installed at Gabrielson Park
 - 10 new benches and all replaced

Communication

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Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Langford
Parks and Recreation Director

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Minutes

Call To Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by John Lerner, Commission Chair.
- Commissioners Present: Doreen Gounard, Joe Burns, Sela Seleska, and John Lerner
- Staff: Mike Langford- Parks and Recreation Director

Minutes

- Approve Minutes from June – postponed as minutes are not completed.

Business Items

- Renaming of Harrison Park to Maryann Sears Park.
 - Councilman Herb Weiner presented the idea to the Commission of renaming Harrison park to Maryann Sears park.
 - Maryann was a long term resident who lived near the Park.
 - She was an advocate for the park
 - For years she planted and maintained the foliage in the Park as a volunteer
 - Motion by Doreen Gounard to recommend to Council to change the name of Harrison Park to Maryann Sears Park, Second by Joe Burns.
 - All in favor.
- Sausalito Art Festival 2010 High Impact Event Application
 - The Art Festival has submitted an application for the 2010 Sausalito Art Festival to be held at Marinship Park over Labor Day Weekend.
 - The Art Festival has satisfied all conditions of the permit.
 - Motion by Joe Burns to approve the application, second by Doreen Gounard.
 - All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned so Parks and Recreation Commissioners could attend the Planning Commission meeting where plans for new play equipment for Harrison Park were to be discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Langford
Parks and Recreation Director

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Minutes

Call To Order

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- Commissioners Present: Doreen Gounard, Joe Burns, Melissa Mooney and Sela Seleska, John Lerner
- Staff: Mike Langford- Parks and Recreation Director, Jeff Dybdal- Recreation Supervisor

Minutes

- Approve Minutes from June postponed (no meeting in July and August)

Business Items

- Request to relocate sculpture from old PD to Bocce Courts – Tom Clark
 - Tom Clark was unavailable but Mike has been in discussion with him about relocating a sculpture the Bocce Courts
 - Granite benchers have been installed around the courts in addition to the new court
 - By the old Police Department there's a sculpture donated by Steve Willis years ago
 - Bocce players have talked with City Manager and Steve Willis about relocating the sculpture to the Bocce Court area in Dunphy Park
 - Stanford Hughes (architect) will be choosing the site of where the proper location will be.
 - To secure the sculpture we might need to cement it under ground or what's appropriate according to the architect
 - Melissa: has the location been determined? Closer to the street side or water side?
 - John: We would like to know where it goes before making the decision. What about the expense?
 - Commission requested more information on exact location of sculpture and how it will be secured before approving.

Director's Report

- Halloween
 - Plans will be similar to years past. Parade will line-up at intersection of Johnson and Caledonia walk down Caledonia Street.
 - Caledonia Street Merchants are asked not to distributed candy until kids reach our Trick or Treat Lane at the basketball court
 - Our non-profit groups will pass out candy in the Basketball court/ Trick or Treat Lane
 - Haunted House will be in the Edgewater Room.
 - Erin is in charge of the parade and trick or treat lane and Jeff is in-charge of the Haunted House portion.
 - Requesting the Commissioners to give a helping hand by participating in creating and working this event.
 - Melissa wants to help but can't commit as of right now. But is thinking of dropping by if available
 - Will be sending out letters to request help from Non-Profit groups
 - Have a Halloween committee about 6 people to help support with planning and creating the effects of a haunted house
 - Sela: what's the time frame?

- Set-up from 4:30pm to 6:30pm, Haunted House for 6:30 to 8:30/9pm, clean up until 10 pm.
- Adults and children of all ages will walk through and come to this event, estimate of 300 to 500 attended last year
- Parks & Recreation will have a table for the Trick or Treat Lane to pass out candy and goodies
- John: Parks & Recreation will appreciate any donations from Non-profit groups to help with fund for purchase of Halloween bags and candies
 - Used reusable bags last year from the Walk Bike Marin
- Caledonia Street will be CLOSED for traffic during this event and the Police Department will determine when it's safe to allow vehicles to be on streets
 - VIPS will monitor the streets until safe to open
- FY 2011 Budget Update
 - For the past three years the Department has grow while maintaining the total cost to City at \$250,000. Increased revenues have covered increased expenditures.
- Jazz and Blues by the Bay
 - Erin will present at next meeting
- 4th of July Events Report
 - Erin will present at next meeting
- Marinship Drinking Fountain Update
 - Rotary Club have been working on a replacement drinking fountain
 - Approximately 10 years ago the fountain was taken out due to poured concrete and a tree and drinking fountain was never reinstalled
 - By next week the fountain will be operable all plumbing and safe to drink from
- Harrison Park Update
 - Met with Don Olsen in moving forward in the process
 - Neighbors in area is still requesting smaller features lower equipment
 - Melissa: could have sworn the last meeting attended, the neighbors at the meeting supported the plans as presented at that time
 - Doreen: apparently it was brought to Planning Commission Meeting and minds were changed
 - Mike: some people want the plans less concrete to have it fit more to the environment. Will discuss with Don about making it anti-concrete plans which will incorporate with the Planning Commission
 - Before bringing to Planning Commission want to present to the Parks & Recreation Commission first for discussion
 - John: Feels that Planning Commission shouldn't have the authority to tell the Parks & Recreation Commission of what to do. We should not need permission on how to put structures put into the park
- Robin Sweeny Park Update
 - RFP- Request for Proposal for landscape architecture services has been emailed and sent out to 20 different firms in Bay area
 - Heard from 3, met with one who interested in looking at the park
 - Deadline is end of October
 - On RFP there's an extensive criteria required from the architecture firm interested
 - The architect will need to focus on what the community wants and present 3 different plans

Future Agenda Items

- Group who wants to propose to run the Casa Marina
- Bocce statue
- Initiate a discussion about proposing the parks to be smoke free and ultimately to make all City property to be smoke free
- Charter and authority of parks and recreation Commission

Communication

- Community Garden
 - What's the status?
 - Have contact Kat Mullin but she has not responded
- Low water demonstration
 - Have not been contact yet

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Langford
Parks and Recreation Director

Cass Gidley Marina,
a Sausalito Community Boating Center

Our mission is to preserve a gathering place in Sausalito's unique Waterfront Community to engage and educate the public about our rich maritime history and small craft heritage through affordable direct experience. The center will provide a community platform to advocate environmental awareness, seamanship and safety, promote traditional wooden boats and maritime crafts and teach life skills through maritime education. It will be a place for local maritime groups to hold classes, access the waterfront and build community through outreach.

Current Initiatives:

Poll locals about the needs of the community that such a place could address and come up with a viable strategic plan including community partners.

Define partnerships and uses for the marina, under the umbrella of the non-profit organization we are now forming.

Fundraise. The Richardson Bay Maritime Association, a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, has graciously agreed to be our fiscal sponsors until we establish our non-profit status.

Work with the City of Sausalito in negotiating Parks and Recreation relationship and a lease for the former Cass Marina property.

Assess physical structures and docks and plan upgrades.

The proposed center would house the following activities:

- Local boatbuilders' showcase
- rental boats
- public sails on historic vessels for all ages and some for especially for seniors
- free or low-cost youth sail training
- affordable or market-rate adult sail training
- environmental ecology workshops
- police/fire and at-risk youth partner sailing to prevent youth crime and provide positive role models (like the Bluewater Foundation and Pegasus programs)
- House the boats built by kids at the Spaulding Center and use them for youth sail training

- expansion of Sausalito Yacht Club youth programs
- Parks and Recreation use
- Register of locally built wooden boats, historic documentation
- Water taxi stop

The concept is to have a place funded privately as a non-profit that can serve the water access needs of many other non-profits under one roof and best utilize the dock space, publicly supported as a Parks and Recreation facility. There are many successful community boating centers around the country like this to model our selves after including:

Courageous Sailing Center, Boston <http://www.courageoussailing.org/>

Hudson River Boating, New York City <http://www.hudsonsailing.org/>

Center for Wooden Boats, Seattle <http://www.cwb.org/>

Community Boating, Boston <http://www.community-boating.org/>

Treasure Island Sailing Center <http://www.tisailing.org/>

Lake Merritt, Oakland <http://www.oaklandnet.com/parks/programs/boating.asp>

Bluewater Foundation, <http://www.bluewaterfoundation.org/>

Pegasus Project, <http://www.pegasusvoyages.org/project.html>

Living Classrooms, Baltimore <http://www.pegasusvoyages.org/project.html>

Bellingham, WA Community Boating, <http://www.sailpaddlerow.org/>

Providence, RI Community Boating <http://www.communityboating.com/>

Benefits for the City of Sausalito:

- The center will continue to provide public waterfront access and boat rentals as it has for over 40 years.
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- The center will draw unique visitors and repeat visitors to Sausalito and will generate revenue for local businesses.

- The center will encourage public participation in the waterfront and promote waterfront community.
- The center will fill the void between local boatbuilding and access to the finished boats.
- The center will be strategically located between the ferry/yacht harbor and the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center on the public pathway along the waterfront. It will also neighbor the current Galilee maritime community.
- It will enhance the appearance of the waterfront with beautiful wooden boats on display and preserve Sausalito's small craft heritage for future generations.
- It will provide a place for local families to learn together and experience the Bay at an affordable rate.
- It will provide a location for the maritime workers of Gate 3 and the Arques Property to meet and introduce their work to the public.
- It will offer an ecological, environmental, and naturalist education site on Richardson Bay including marsh, tidal wetlands, eelgrass fields and open estuary that does not impact the environment by requiring dredging in the near future or expansion of current footprint.
- It will provide a resource center for marine services and historical records of boats built in Sausalito.
- It will provide valuable life skills to the low-income populations in our neighboring communities and the children in our school district.
- It will provide valuable life skills to the low-income populations in our generate revenue for the City of Sausalito

Current Board Members:

Mary Gidley

Mary Gidley and her former husband Cass, who passed away in 1998, established the original Cass' Marina in the 1960's. Previous to, and along with the sailboat rental and sailing school at the marina, they operated a successful commercial fish-buying business on the old Napa Street pier. Mary and Cass lived and raised their three children on the Bay aboard the classic wooden sailboats, the Tia Mia and the Yo Ho Ho. On the off seasons the Gidleys cruised the Pacific Coast and sailed often to Mexico where two of their children were born. On one adventurous occasion Mary was co-navigator as part of an international crew on the raft Acali that drifted across the Atlantic Ocean. Life

eventually became tamer for her. Mary retired 10 years ago from teaching at the College of Marin and now lives in San Rafael. Her love of the water, the sea, and of wooden boats in particular, however, has never waned. Her son, Memo, and daughters, Lupe and Sharon, share her enthusiastic support of this project.

Russell Huebschle

Inka Petersen, Sausalito boat builder, inka@da-prince.com

Inka is a boat builder and woodworker originally trained in Emden, Germany. She worked on the design and construction of the *Grace Quan*, a replica of a San Francisco Bay Shrimp Junk for the San Francisco Maritime Museum where she also spent many years as a volunteer at the small boat shop. She also worked at Richardson Bay Boat Works and Ways in Sausalito on famous sailing vessels like *Black Witch*, *Polaris*, *Patida II*, *Trigger* to name a few. She worked for the Arques School of Traditional Boatbuilding on the construction of small sailing craft as well as the documentation, lofting and reframing of the "Freda". Inka is an avid ocean sailor with aprox. 18,000 ocean miles and has worked in sail training and maritime education with children and adults. From another life (before returning to her roots) Inka holds an MA in Visual Communications and spent many years in an art director's chair making things look good while bringing a message across.

Anton Hottner, Sausalito boat builder, northbayboatworks@yahoo.com

Anton trained at the Arques School from 2002-2003. Since then he has been self-employed at North Bay Boatworks and has built the last two boats for Galilee Harbor's Maritime Day. He built the *Charlie Merrill* for the Richardson Bay Maritime Association. He is currently working on his eighth new wooden vessel as well as repairing local historic wooden craft. He teaches at the Arques School of Traditional Boatbuilding.

Steeenie Wicks, photographer/historian, Steeenie@aol.com

Steeenie is a founding member of the Galilee Harbor Community Association. She has been part of the Sausalito Waterfront for the past 27 years, was appointed twice to the Sausalito Arts Commission and is currently working with the San Francisco Historical Society. Her most recent work has been published in the San Francisco history magazine the *Argonaut*.

Heather Richard, former sailing coach and youth program director

Heather learned to sail for free at a community boating center in Boston and started her high school sailing team. She was crew captain for the National Champion varsity sailing team at Boston University. She ran successful youth sailing programs for the Courageous Sailing Center in Boston and the US Navy in Yokosuka, Japan. She captained 50 foot yachts with teenagers at Sail Caribbean Voyages and coached the Saint Francis Yacht Club youth program. She is a trained teacher and currently makes her living sewing boat canvas, teaching and selling her maritime art. She lives aboard her wooden ketch in Galilee Harbor with her two children ages 4 and 6.

Organizations who endorse this project:

The Richardson Bay Maritime Association

The Spaulding Wooden Boat Center

Call of the Sea

Individuals who agree to support and/or endorse this project:

Mary Gidley, wife of Cass Gidley and co-founder of the original marina

Memo Gidley, son of Cass Gidley (founder of Cass Marina)

Annette Rose, former Mayor of Sausalito

Bob Darr, director of the Arques School for Traditional Boatbuilding

Andrea Rey and Michael Wiener, directors of the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center

Stephen Canright, Park Curator at San Francisco Maritime National Historic Park

Jody Boyle, Sausalito traditional boat builder

Rudy Salazar, Sausalito traditional boat builder

Jeff Reid, Sausalito traditional boat builder

Todd Bloch, President of the Sacramento Chapter of Traditional Small Craft Association

Peri Burns, US Sailing small boat training director

Harold Sommer, mariner

Tom List, owner of List Marine and past president of Spaulding Wooden Boat Center

Bert Damner, current president of Spaulding Wooden Boat Center

Russell Huebschle, current president of Sea Education Adventures

Alan Olson, founder of Call of the Sea

Ken Neil, founder of Call of the Sea

Jerry Stafford, active local sailor and Sausalito resident

Lee Stimmel, Founder of the Bluewater Foundation