

Town of Southwest Ranches
Recreation, Forestry and Natural Resources Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2015

Start: 7 P.M. with the Pledge, followed by roll call of members

Attendees: Board-Chris Brownlow, Mary Gay Chaples, Debra Goff-Rose, John Herring, Aster Knight, Karen Parkerson, Kathy Sullivan, Luis Rodriguez(pending); Resident/s-Newell Hollingsworth; Council-Gary Jablonski; Staff-December Lauretano-Haines

Motions:

1. Election of Chair: motion by Aster to approve Mary Gay, second by Chris; motion carried.
2. Election of Vice-Chair: motion by Chris to approve Aster, second by Debra; motion carried.
3. Election of Secretary: motion by Debra to approve Chris, second by Kathy; motion carried.
4. Excuse absences of Marie Nix and Manny Hagen: motion by Debra, second by Aster; motion carried
5. Approval of December 2014 minutes: motion by Aster, second by Debra; motion carried.
6. Recommendation to Council of Luis Rodriguez's appointment to the Board: motion by Aster, second by Debra; motion carried.
7. Adoption of 2015 Board meeting schedule: motion by Karen, second by Kathy; motion carried.
8. Recommendation to Council to replace tables at Equestrian Park: motion by Aster, second by Debra; motion carried.
9. If grant allows, remove/replace old signs along trails: motion by Debra, second by Aster; motion carried.
10. If grant allows, remove (and do not replace) old step-ups along trails: motion by John, second by Debra; motion carried.

Discussion Points:

- December reviewed the packet contents (resolutions, handbook, ethics, maintenance update)
- Luis introduce himself; he lives in Green Meadows and is a firefighter with Miramar
- Mary Gay hopes to expand board size to 11 with representation from the western area of SWRanches

- Discussion of median maintenance and trail cleaning; new landscaping company has been hired (give December four months for improvements); broken and old items to be either removed or replaced along trails
- Equestrian Park playground needs some work; December to bring catalogs for equipment reviews
- Mary Gay discussed the opening of the ROCA barn