

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**VENTURA COUNTY PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION (PAC)**  
**Regular Meeting**

Hall of Administration, Atlantic Conference Room  
800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura  
Monday, January 12, 2009  
3:03 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Proceedings called to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Commissioners: Paul Nicholson, Paul Rockenstein, Harvey Paskowitz, Bob Purdum.

Staff: Ron Van Dyck, Pam Gallo, Michelle J. Smith

Guests: None

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Paskowitz presides as Chair. Minutes of November 10, 2008 were approved by Motion made by Rockenstein, seconded by Nicholson. All in favor.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Vote to amend PAC By-Laws to Adopt a Quarterly Meeting Schedule:** Motion to approve made by Nicholson, seconded by Purdum. All in favor. The revised PAC meeting schedule for 2009 is as follows:

- January 12, 2009
- April 13, 2009
- July 13, 2009
- October 12, 2009

**B. An Ordinance to amend the fine/bail amount for the Rincon Parkway:** The Board will consider an amendment to an Ordinance on January 27, 2009 and then adopt the Ordinance on February 10, 2009 to increase the parking fine/bail for Limited Parking Violations on the Rincon Parkway. Fines will go from \$90 to \$175.

The purpose of the increase is to deter people from illegally parking overnight in designated areas.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Revised Rent & Fee Schedule:** Motion to approve made by Purdum, seconded by Nicholson. All in favor.

**B. Far West Resorts Sale:** As of 1-12-09, escrow is in progress and should close sometime in January 2009. A 10% owner transfer fee of \$56,000 should be generated by the sale. This fee will be revenue generated for the Parks Department.

**7. PARK PROJECT UPDATES**

**A. Online Parks Reservation System:** The new reservations system will be online hopefully within the next 30 days.

**B. Annual Park & Recreation Conference:** The first meeting is scheduled for 2/11/09. All governmental parks professionals within the County of Ventura are invited to share their departmental information with attendees.

**C. Santa Rosa Park Grand Opening:** Scheduled for sometime within the next few months due to SCE delays. Will be scheduled on a Saturday.

**D. Rincon Parkway:** County has not heard back from Caltrans regarding signage issues.

**E. Camarillo Regional Park:** Transfer to the state is still in progress.

**F. Park Construction Projects:** Teresa Lubin reports that several projects are wrapping up. Propositions 12 and 40 funds are frozen.

**8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Rockenstein comments that grant funds are affected by the economy.

Paskowitz comments that the Harbor Commission was recently disbanded and the PAC may also be considered for disbandment. He also asks if camping and golf facilities have been impacted by the economy. Ron Van Dyck states that the golf industry has experienced an economic slow down as of early Summer 2008. RV camping is still tracking almost identical as last year overall with a decrease at beach front parks and an increase at inland parks. It would appear that people are camping closer to home nowadays.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m. The next meeting of the PAC will be on April 13, 2009.