

Veneta Parks Board
Minutes, February 20, 2008
4:30 P.M.
Veneta City Hall

Board Members in Attendance: Gail Wilkie, Lee Taylor-Loewe, Denise Hand, Robert Hladky, Craig Soderberg.

Council Member: Sharon Hobart-Hardin

City Administrator: Ric Ingham

Community Services Director: Brian Issa

I. Public Comment

Lee Taylor-Loewe will receive the Distinguished Service Award for the City of Veneta's Volunteer of the Year. Sharon Hobart-Hardin will receive the Distinguished Service Award for Woman of the Year.

II. .New Business

The bio-swale at Territorial Park needs weeding. We were informed by the public works department that it is labor intensive to weed. The Parks Board will organize a volunteer weeding crew to take care of it.

III. Approve Minutes From February 6, 2008

Not all members have had a chance to read minutes. We will approve them at our next meeting.

IV. Reports from Sub-Committees:

-Fern Ridgeopoly

Craig brought the games for us to see. They look really good. We set the pricing schedule as follows:

<u>Sponsor prices</u>	<u>Retail</u>
1-3, \$25	1-3, \$30
4-10, \$20	4-10, \$25
11 and up, \$18	11 and up \$20

Lee will make a distribution form for Craig so he can keep track of how many games go out for sales. We check out games from Craig, sell them and then turn our money in at each Parks Board meeting. Checks are made out to City of Veneta. (We need to finish collecting money for the spaces we sold.)

Marketing Plan

Step One: Offer games to sponsors who bought spaces

Step Two: Sales Table at Rays, March 15th

Step Three: Other retailers to sell bulk

Step Four: Earth Day, Parks Board Wings and Wine booth, OCF and any other local events (such as the Mr. Falcon contest at EHS)

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-Egg Hunt (March 22)

We decided not to recycle the plastic eggs this year. The health, labor and storage issues make it problematic. We can offer a recycling tub from Country Transfer and Recycling for kids to dump the plastic eggs if they want.

We also decided not to offer stuffed animals for each kid this year. We are going to concentrate on nice Gold and Silver Ticket prizes instead. There again, it's a matter of labor, storage and costs. If we don't hand out the stuffed animals, we won't need to use the Community Center.

- Earth Day (April 19)

No new information.

-Wings and Wine (May 10)

No new information

-Fern Park Update

The house on the newly acquired property next to Fern Park may have some salvageable items in it. The house will eventually become a practice burn for the fire department. Brian suggested that the Parks Board list any salable items on Craig's list. For example, there's a pellet stove and some good lumber. Several Parks Board members will do a walk through on Friday morning at 11 am to see what's available in the house. Gail will take care of bidding out the items on the Internet. We can use any funds generated from the sales to replace the Fern Park sign and repair the play equipment.

V. Goals for 2008-2009

We will discuss our new goals at the next meeting

VI. Plan for next meeting

Meeting Adjourned: 5:00

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 5th at 4 P.M.

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