

room underneath for kids to congregate. This issue needs to be addressed as to what can be done to rectify this situation.

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Eagle Scout Project by Andrew Pearson Boy Scout Troop 436

Andrew Pearson made a presentation to the commission for his Eagle Scout Project completion. The structure is up and complete. There will be a concrete bench installed by the City of Hollister at a later date. Andrew presented pictures of the finished project. The Commissioners asked to be notified when a ceremony will be happening so they are able to attend.

6.2 City of Hollister Skate Park Update.

Mike Hodges presented pictures of the completed skate Park. The back structure is showing potential problems. Mike said he would speak with the City regarding this issue. Chains will be added to secure the garbage cans so they cannot be moved. Commissioner Muenzer is concerned with the area that was created during the building of the new skate park. A vehicle is able to drive in and a gate needs to be put up to close this gap.

6.3 Park Safety Review.

There is a Standard Safety Review checklist with Caltrans and others to highlight what additional work needs to be done. Items needing immediate attention are 1) fire extinguisher needs to be replaced, 2) the roof at the Bertha Briggs Building need repair, 3) BBQ's need mending, 4) bathroom fixture upgrades are needed. Two solar motion censored lights have been installed as a test to see how well they function in this park environment. If all goes well, more will be installed. The kitchen at Bertha Briggs Building is being reviewed for upgrades. The playground needs some filler put in at the slide area. There is currently five day per week staffing at Vet's Park. Staffing has been rearranged within the Parks Division and the Roads Division to now provide seven days per week coverage. Commissioner DeLaCruz suggested a letter go out to the current park users asking for their perspective on park safety and how they think the Veteran's Park Commission can improve the park.

6.4 Park Operations Update.

Mike Hodges gave an update regarding rentals. The Bertha Briggs Building rental is down a bit. With the good weather the Vet's Park BBQ shelters are doing well. There was a broken sink in one of the restrooms. Vandalism has happened but with a quick response of the grounds crew all issues have been fixed. There was a user complaint regarding placement of the dumpsters at Vet's Park. There hasn't been any movement on the cell towers. Some signs need to be replaced at Bertha Briggs Building due to graffiti.

6.5 Park Water Supply Update-Ken Nattell

Ken Nattell reported that the well is operating as designed. There have been some breaks and no answer as to why. He is considering the possibility that air is getting into the system. Commissioner Munezer asked about billing users. Mike Hodges stated meters need to be installed. Once in place, invoices could be generated. Park user contracts need to be updated to acknowledge well cost reimbursement. Commissioner DeLaCruz asked for an estimated cost to users and what they could reasonably afford.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Veterans Memorial Park Commission, Commissioner Gallagher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Munezer. Motion passed 3-0.

The next regular meeting of the Veterans Memorial Park Commission will be held on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
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San Benito County Veterans Memorial Park Commission