



**CITY OF NEWPORT
SPECIAL PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NEWPORT CITY HALL
March 31, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the Special Park Advisory Board Meeting to order on March 31, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present (4): Chairperson Johnson, Board Member Emily White, Board Member Anita Perkins, Board Member Brian Xiong

Not Present (0):

Non-Voting Members Present (2): Executive Director Matt Yokiell, Council Liaison Laurie Elliott

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Board Member White and second by Board Member Perkins to adopt agenda. Approved 4-0

4. APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Board Member Perkins and second by Board Member Xiong to approve minutes from February 24, 2022 Park Board Meeting and Workshop. Approved 4-0.

5. BOARD REPORTS

A. Emily White

Nothing at this time.

B. Anita Perkins

Board Member Perkins asked if we should continue with handwritten thank you notes for volunteers. Board will fill out thank you notes after next meeting.

C. Brian Xiong

Board Member Xiong is talking to community members to attempt to fill Park Board seat.

G. Jenna Johnson

Chairperson Johnson would like to try to hold a summer family fun night at Loveland Park from 6-8pm June 2nd. Activities may include a picnic, kickball, horseshoes and possibly t-ball

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Yokiel stated that volunteers are needed to work at Pioneer Day on August 14th. Kids games, bounce house, and cooking sweet corn would all be looking for workers. Yokiel also said that the Pioneer Park playground equipment concept had been looked at by City Council and would be brought back at a later date after a few modifications. Resident Bill Sumner asked to have historical items added to the playground but the Park Board felt the history could be added to Pioneer Park in a different location than the playground equipment. Yokiel also said that there will be an onsite meeting with Xcel and other members interested in establishing pollinator habitat under Bailey School Forest power lines. More information would be brought back to board after the meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member White motioned to adjourn the Special Park Advisory Board Meeting. Seconded by Board Member Xiong Approved 4-0

The Park Board Meeting was adjourned on March 31, 2022 at 5:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Matt Yokiel
Executive Director

Signed: _____
Jenna Johnson,
Park Advisory Board Chairperson