



**CITY OF NEWPORT  
SPECIAL PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
NEWPORT CITY HALL  
April 28, 2022**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Johnson called the Special Park Advisory Board Meeting to order on April 28, 2022, at 5:02 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

Not Present (1): Council Liaison Laurie Elliott

Non-Voting Members Present (1): Executive Director Matt Yokiell

**3. ADOPT AGENDA**

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

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

Motion by Board Member Perkins and second by Board Member White to approve minutes from March 31, 2022, Park Board Meeting. Approved 4-0.

**5. BOARD REPORTS**

**A. Emily White**

- Nothing currently.

**B. Anita Perkins**

- Board Member Perkins has made Thank You cards for Volunteers.
- Board will fill out thank you notes after meeting.

**C. Brian Xiong**

- Board Member Xiong is continuing to talk to community members to attempt to fill Park Board seat.

**G. Jenna Johnson**

- Chairperson Johnson was approached by a teacher from Woodbury about senior service day. There would be a 2-hour time slot for them to volunteer. Discussion followed on possible projects.
- Question was raised if Red Rock Cemetery has been adopted?

**6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

- Director Yokiell introduced new Director Marson as Director Yokiell has taken a promotion.
- New Playground for Pioneer Park has been ordered. Should arrive about a week after Pioneer Days. St. Croix Manufacturing built the new playground.
- No Xcel meeting has been scheduled yet for the pollinator program. If you are interested in attending that meeting, please let Yokiell know. We are looking at the end of May or early June for that meeting to be scheduled.
- The large pavilion and ballfield at Loveland Park have been reserved for Summer Family Fun Night on June 2, 2022.
- New vendor has been chosen to roast corn at Pioneer Days. Still need volunteers for Pioneer Days on August 14, 2022. Chairperson Johnson can help some, but not the whole time. Chairperson Johnson will also put it on Facebook for volunteers.
- Discussion by Board Member White about having a booth at Pioneer Days with posters of the new playground that is going to be installed.
- Parade for Pioneer Days starts at 11 am on August 14, 2022.
- By next meeting it would be nice to have a list of open sites for park cleanup.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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

The Park Board Meeting was adjourned on April 28, 2022, at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:  
Derek Marson  
Executive Director

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jenna Johnson,  
Park Advisory Board Chairperson