



North of the River

recreation and park district

**NORTH OF THE RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING
3825 RIVERLAKES DRIVE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312
MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021, 5:30 P.M.
MEETING CONDUCTED VIA WEBEX**

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1. CALL TO ORDER: BOARD MEETING CONVENED BY CHAIRPERSON BOB LERUDE AT 5:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL: BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

DONNA CLOPTON; BROOKS DOUGLASS; JIM ECKROTH;
BOB LERUDE; STEVE RUETTIGERS (LEFT AT 6:53P.M.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

NONE

STAFF PRESENT

LAUREN CRONK (ARRIVED AT 5:43P.M.); JACKIE DUENAS;
RACHEAL GARCIA; ESTHER GRIJALVA; MONYA JAMESON;
WAYNE MCARTHUR; LISA PLANK; STEPH SANDERS;
SONIA QUILL (ARRIVED AT 5:41P.M.); MARLYN SILVA;
BETH VAGLE; JOE WEST

LEGAL COUNSEL

NONE

PUBLIC PRESENT

SUZANNE CAMPBELL; ROCHELLE INVINA; JOCELYN SANDUSKY
TIFFANY NICHOLS (ARRIVED AT 5:35P.M.); BOB SNODDY;
LUZ PADILLA (ARRIVED AT 6:06P.M.)

3. FLAG SALUTE: Chairperson Bob Lerude led the flag salute.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The North of the River Recreation and Park District Board of Directors may take official action only on items included in the posted agenda. Items addressed during the Public Comment section are generally matters not included on the agenda and, therefore, the Board will not take action at this scheduled meeting. Such items, however, may be added to a future meeting's agenda. Members of the public may address the Board on items included on the agenda in the order that the items appear. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name before making your presentation. Thank you!

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Secretary Declaration of Posting of Agenda 72 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Declaration by the Clerk of the Board of Directors that the agenda was posted at least 72 hours in advance of meeting. BOARD APPROVED SECRETARY DECLARATION.

Douglass; Eckroth: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held February 22, 2021

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

Douglass; Eckroth: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

C. Receive and File Bills and Invoice

A monthly voucher list of bills submitted for payment during the previous months was provided to Board Members for review, comment and filing. BOARD RECEIVED AND FILED BILLS AND INVOICES.

Douglass; Eckroth: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

D. Approval of Bill Exceeding Policy Limit

Accounts Payable Clerk Tammy Sturtevant requested approval of the bill exceeding policy limit related to the fourth quarter of the annual contribution for Worker's Compensation Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. BOARD APPROVED BILLS EXCEEDUNG POLICY LIMIT.

Douglass; Eckroth: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Public Hearing Regarding Unmet Transit Needs, Resolution #06-21

The hearing was opened by Chairperson Bob Lerude. No public comments were received. The hearing was then closed. BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #06-21 RESOLVING THAT THERE WERE NO UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS RECEIVED AND THAT THESE FINDINGS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.

Ruetters; Clopton: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters. Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

7. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Presentation of Annual Audit

Finance Director Wayne McArthur provided Board Members a copy of the District's final audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 and reviewed various components of the document. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE BOARD RECEIVED AND

FILED THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020.

Ruettgers; Douglass : Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruettgers.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

B. Discussion and Direction Regarding Parks

Chairperson Bob Lerude informed the Board that agenda item 7.B. was added to allow discussion regarding parks requested by Tiffany Nichols. Ms. Nichols expressed her main concern is regarding Standard Park due to the basketball court needing repair. The court has holes that could be a potential tripping hazard. Ms. Nichols expressed her gratitude to the Board for listening to her concerns. General Manager Monya Jameson presented a PowerPoint with updates regarding concerns Ms. Nichols expressed at previous meetings. Following the presentation, staff answered inquiries from Ms. Nichols and the Board. Mr. Lerude thanked Ms. Nichols for her comments, stating the importance of community involvement.

C. Determination Regarding Continued Participating in CTSA

Chairperson Bob Lerude requested agenda item 7.C. be delayed. The Ad Hoc committee will continue to meet and allow further input. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE BOARD AGREED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 7.C.
NO ACTION TAKEN.

8. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager Report

No Report.

B. Marketing Report

Marketing Director Lisa Plank reported that the "Shamrock Hunt" took place on Saturday, March 13. Six painted rocks were placed at ten parks throughout the District. Each rock included a serial number to be entered on the District website to claim a prize. Forty-eight of sixty prizes were claimed. Previous events have been virtual and drive-thru but staff wanted to get more families out in the parks now that the weather is nice. Ms. Plank reported that next event would be the "Hop and Go" Easter event at four parks. The Easter bunny will make an appearance and eggs and candy will be provided to 150 participants per park. Staff has been pleased with the community response. Ms. Plank informed the Board the District is moving forward with Laserfiche forms and is working with Streamline to create an employee website.

C. Capital Improvement Projects

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders reported the Prop 68 Grant application closed Friday. Nine hundred letters containing surveys were sent to residents living within a one-mile radius of the park and twenty-six were received back. Seventy-eight houses were visited during the door-to-door visits, with twenty-eight providing feedback. The feedback is very helpful for future planning.

D. Financial Report

Finance Director Wayne McArthur reported staff is currently preparing the budget for fiscal year 2021-2022.

E. Personnel Report

Human Resources Manager Esther Grijalva reported the Ranger Supervisor is retiring in April. Ms. Grijalva reported the parks reorganization is almost complete and the District is currently recruiting for groundskeepers, office staff and custodians.

F. Parks Division Report

General Manager Monya Jameson reported that staff is looking forward to seeing positive results from the park reorganization that was effective today.

G. Recreation Program Report

General Manager Monya Jameson introduced Recreation Supervisor Sonia Quill. Ms. Quill thanked the Neighborhood Place staff and presented a fun and informative video regarding the virtual preschool.

H. Training Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence.

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Opportunity for the Board to comment on items not listed on the agenda

BOB LERUDE – No Comment

DONNA CLOPTON – No Comment

BROOKS DOUGLASS – No Comment

JIM ECKROTH – No Comment

STEVE RUETTIGERS – No Comment

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Directors entered into Executive Session at 6:38 P.M. for the following discussion:

- A. Request for Executive Session Regarding General Manager Performance Evaluation – Government Code 54957**

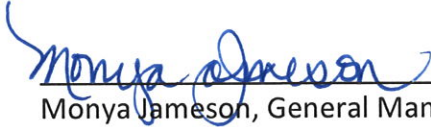
The Board Reconvened from Executive Session at 6:57 P.M.


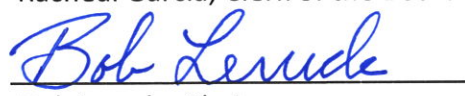
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NO ACTION TAKEN**

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on April 19, 2021.

Minutes to be approved at Board Meeting held on April 19, 2021


Monya Jameson, General Manager


Racheal Garcia, Clerk of the Board

Bob Lerude, Chairperson