



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, OCTOBER 16, 2023, 5:30 P.M.**

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

- 2. ROLL CALL:**
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**
BROOKS DOUGLASS; CRYSTAL MADDEN; RYAN SKIDMORE
 - BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**
JAMES NABORS; JENIFER VANALSTEIN
 - STAFF PRESENT**
MIKE EVANS; RACHEAL GARCIA; BRET HANEY;
JASMIN LOBASSO
 - LEGAL COUNSEL**
JACOB THOMASY
 - PUBLIC PRESENT**
IDA HERNANDEZ; HEATHER MCCRARY

3. FLAG SALUTE: Chairperson Crystal Madden 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; Skidmore: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Skidmore.

Noes: None. Absent: Nabors; VanAlstein. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held September 18, 2023

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

Douglass; Skidmore: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Skidmore.

Noes: None. Absent: Nabors; VanAlstein. Motion carried.

C. Receive and File Bills and Invoice

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

Douglass; Skidmore: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Skidmore.

Noes: None. Absent: Nabors; VanAlstein. Motion carried.

6. BOARD BUSINESS**A. Review and Discussion Regarding the Teleconferencing and Videoconferencing Policy**

General Manager Bret Haney requested feedback regarding the Teleconferencing and Videoconferencing Policy draft. Staff responded to Board inquiries. The Board recommended revisions and requested the item be placed on the November agenda for review.

B. Approval of Program Safety Response, Policy #9-311, Resolution #34-23

Superintendent of Recreation and Community Services Jasmin LoBasso requested approval of the Program Safety Response Policy. The policy will improve communication and provide transparency between parents and the District. Staff responded to Board inquiries. AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #34-23 APPROVING THE PROGRAM SAFETY RESPONSE POLICY.

Douglass; Skidmore: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Skidmore.

Noes: None. Absent: Nabors; VanAlstein. Motion carried.

C. Approval of Program Health and Illness, Policy #9-312, Resolution #35-23

Superintendent of Recreation and Community Services Jasmin LoBasso requested approval of the Program Health and Illness Policy which includes information regarding guardians' responsibility for wellness checks, notifications of exposure and parent notification as mandated by the Kern County Public

Health Department. AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #35-23 APPROVING THE PROGRAM HEALTH AND ILLNESS POLICY.

Douglass; Skidmore: Ayes: Douglass; Madden; Skidmore.

Noes: None. Absent: Nabors; VanAlstein. Motion carried.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager

General Manager Bret Haney invited the Board to attend the NOR Christmas Parade on December 9, 2023 and the staff potluck on December 15, 2023.

B. Capital Improvement Projects

General Manager Bret Haney reported that the preliminary plans have been provided for Stockdale River Ranch and the District is looking forward to a continued partnership.

C. Financial

General Manager Bret Haney reported that the business office staff has continued to work on the audit.

D. Personnel

General Manager Bret Haney reported that staff is looking into providing additional health benefit options to employees to provide more selection and saving opportunities.

E. Parks Division

Superintendent of Parks and Facilities Mike Evans reported that the fire alert system is being installed at Greenacres. Mr. Evans also reported that the Madison Grove court resurfacing is complete, and the other courts will begin soon.

F. Recreation and Community Services

Superintendent of Recreation and Community Services Jasmin LoBasso reported that the Fall Festival and the Robots 4 Tots events were successful with great attendance. She also reported that the NOR Chamber of Commerce will be highlighting the District. Ms. LoBasso requested the Board let her know if they will be walking in the Christmas Parade.

G. Training

Reports Received and Filed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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

BROOKS DOUGLASS requested staff contact a patron requesting information regarding hosting a fundraiser at the Greenacres Pickleplex.

CRYSTAL MADDEN thanked the staff for their hard work.

RYAN SKIDMORE – No Comment


10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on November 20, 2023.

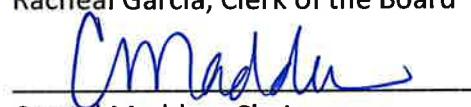
Minutes to be approved at Board
Meeting held on November 20, 2023



Bret Haney, General Manager



Racheal Garcia, Clerk of the Board



Crystal Madden, Chairperson