



North of the River

recreation and park district

**NORTH OF THE RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING
405 GALAXY AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA 93308
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2015, 5:30 P.M.**

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SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

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

2. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
STEVE RUETTGERS; BOBBIE ROBERSON; DANA MARTIN;
STUART PATTESON

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT
JIM ECKROTH

STAFF PRESENT
ELAINE BUSH; ESTHER GRIJALVA; MONYA JAMESON;
DAVID MCARTHUR; LISA PLANK; STEPH SANDERS

LEGAL COUNSEL
PAT OSBORN

PUBLIC PRESENT
TERRY ORR; CARLEEN ORR

3. FLAG SALUTE: CHAIRPERSON STEVE RUETTGERS 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!

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TERRY AND CARLEEN ORR REQUESTED BOARD CONSIDERATION TO INSTALL LOCKED GATES AT THE EAST SIDE OF NORTH MEADOWS PARK AND LIGHT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE PARK DUE TO

DISTURBANCES AND VANDALISM. DISTRICT STAFF ARE CURRENTLY EXPLORING OPTIONS TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. 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.

Roberson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held July 20, 2015

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2015 Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

Roberson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

C. Receive and File Bills and Invoices

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

Roberson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

D. Approval of Purchase of Park Replacement Vehicle, Resolution #34-15

Parks Supervisor Robert Martin requested adoption of Resolution #34-15 authorizing purchase of a park maintenance vehicle using State of California Contract #1-14-23-20A. BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #34-15 APPROVING THE PURCHASE.

Roberson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

6. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Agreement with Bolthouse Properties for Development of Stockdale River Ranch, Resolution #31-15

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders requested adoption of Resolution #31-15 approving an agreement with Bolthouse Properties for development of Stockdale River Ranch Park. Staff and Legal Counsel responded to Board Member inquiries. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, THE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #31-15 APPROVING THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT.

Patteson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

B. Authorization to Enter Into an Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing for Park Improvements, Resolution #30-15

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders requested adoption of Resolution #30-15 authorizing NOR to enter into an agreement with Helping Governments Across the Country Buy (HGACBuy) which would allow the District access to cooperative purchasing for park improvements. BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #30-15 AUTHORIZING NOR TO ENTER INTO THE INTERLOCAL CONTRACT.

Martin-Patteson: Ayes: Ruettggers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

C. Approval of Renewal of Agricultural Lease for Rosedale Park, Resolution #32-15

In August 2014, the Board of Directors approved an agricultural lease agreement for a portion of undeveloped Rosedale Park. The lessee has expressed an interest in continuing to lease and farm the property for another year. Staff recommended approval of the agricultural lease agreement. BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #32-15 APPROVING THE AGRICULTURAL LEASE AGREEMENT.

Roberson-Patteson: Ayes: Ruettggers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

D. Award of Bid for Riverview Park Playground Equipment, Resolution #33-15

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders requested adoption of Resolution #33-15 awarding bid for playground equipment at the recently acquired land at Riverview Park, based on a U.S. Communities piggyback bid. Ms. Sanders responded to Board Member inquiries. AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #33-15 AWARDING THE BID.

Roberson-Martin: Ayes: Ruettggers; Roberson; Patteson; Martin. Noes: None. Absent: Eckroth. Motion carried.

E. Discussion and Direction Regarding Standard School District Request Related to Gym Improvements

Board Member Steve Ruettggers recused himself from discussions related to this matter. General Manager David McArthur then informed Board Members that in June, the Standard School District Board of Directors requested that he attend a school board workshop. During the course of the workshop, Mr. McArthur was asked whether NOR would be willing to participate financially toward improvements to the Standard School Gymnasium. At tonight's meeting, Mr. McArthur provided NOR Board Members with a brief history in which NOR initially contributed \$500,000 towards the construction of the gymnasium and currently uses the gym for programs. The recreation district pays a pro-rata share of utilities, custodial, maintenance and supply costs; assists financially with refinishing of gym floors; and reimburses the school district for any damages for which NOR is responsible. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, THE BOARD INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING FINANCIALLY IN THE GYMNASIUM IMPROVEMENTS.

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager Report

General Manager David McArthur inquired as to the Board's interest in participating in the Advancing Parenting Program as requested during public comments at July's Board Meeting. Staff was given direction to look at the options provided by the Advancing Parenting representative.

B. Marketing Report

Marketing Director Lisa Plank informed Board Members that the Fall Fun Books have been distributed; updated Members regarding NOR's 60th anniversary event; informed Board Members of a "Born Learning" interactive learning trail at Greenacres and the potential for additional learning trails at North Meadows and Riverview; that NOR had been accepted to participate in the "Fund Your Park" program; Meals on Wheels was approved for a National Subaru Share the Love Event as a funding recipient through Sangera Subaru; and that a Skate Park Community Workshop has been scheduled for August 19th, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the NOR Veterans Building.

C. Capital Improvement Projects

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders provided additional information regarding the Skate Park Community Workshop and updated Board Members regarding development projects.

D. Financial Report

Finance Director Monya Jameson provided a brief overview of selected items contained within the monthly voucher list of bills and informed Board Members that although estimated actual expenses were more than anticipated; revenue was more than anticipated and above expenses. Additional information will be provided once the audit has been completed.

E. Personnel Report

Human Resources Director Esther Grijalva informed Board Members that a Parks Superintendent was hired and would begin working the first of September.

F. Recreation and Parks Program Report

2015 Youth Summerball Program Report
CTSA Fourth Quarter Report

G. Training Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Memorandum from California Special Districts Association requesting volunteers to participate on committees and/or expert feedback teams.


9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Opportunity for the Board to comment on items not listed on the agenda
BOARD MEMBER STEVE RUETTIGERS STATED CHRIST THE KING, WHO USED THE NOR VETERANS BUILDING FOR A FUNDRAISER LAST YEAR, WILL BE CONDUCTING THEIR EVENT AT THE BAKERSFIELD COUNTRY CLUB.


10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on September 21, 2015.

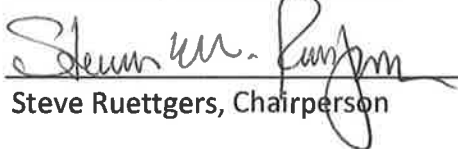
Minutes to be approved at Board Meeting held on September 21, 2015.



David McArthur, General Manager



Elaine Bush, Clerk of the Board



Steve Ruettgers, Chairperson