



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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 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; JIM ECKROTH;
STUART PATTESON; DANA MARTIN

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
NONE

STAFF PRESENT
ELAINE BUSH; THERRON DIECKMANN; ESTHER GONZALES;
MONYA JAMESON; DAVID MCARTHUR; LISA PLANK;
STEPH SANDERS

LEGAL COUNSEL
PAT OSBORN

PUBLIC PRESENT
PAM JACOBSEN; MIKE WILBUR

3. FLAG SALUTE: SENIOR PARK RANGER ROBERT PEÑA 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!

COMMUNITY MEMBER AND ADULT SOFTBALL PARTICIPANT PAM JACOBSEN STATED CONCERNS REGARDING THE NOR ADULT SOFTBALL PROGRAM.

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

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

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

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

D. Amendment to Agreement to Provide Medi-Cal Administrative Activities, Resolution #07-15

Finance Director Monya Jameson requested adoption of Resolution #07-15 approving an amendment to the agreement to provide Medi-Cal Administrative Activities. BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #07-15 APPROVING THE AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT.

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

BOARD BUSINESS

A. Discussion Regarding Request to Lease RiverLakes Ranch Park Property

Director Dana Martin recused herself from discussion related to this request. A request was received from Mike Wilbur, Night Terror Productions, to lease land at RiverLakes Ranch Park to offer family-centered attractions at the site. Mr. Wilbur as well as staff responded to Board Member inquiries. With new information that a waterpark may not be developed at this site, Board Members felt the need to conduct a workshop to discuss the highest and best use to the community for this property. A workshop will be scheduled.

B. Discussion and Direction Regarding Park Ranger Status

At the December Board Meeting, Senior Park Ranger Robert Peña requested Board Member consideration of the adoption of an ordinance that would authorize NOR Park Rangers to operate as Public Officers. At tonight's meeting and after further review, Mr. Peña requested the adoption of an ordinance authorizing NOR Park Rangers to operate as Peace Officers. Mr. Peña responded to Board Member inquiries regarding differences between the two. Staff and

legal counsel will provide additional information regarding this issue to be presented at an upcoming meeting.

C. Approval of Midyear Budget Requests for FY 2014-2015, Resolution #08-15

Finance Director Monya Jameson provided a review of the FY 2014-2015 Midyear Budget which included carryover funds (beyond budget projections) offset by approved budget revisions resulting in a net increase of \$671,430 to the General Reserve and Board Contingency and FY 2014-2015 Board Operating Contingency Account. Ms. Jameson also provided tax revenue projections through 2016 and responded to Board Member inquiries regarding the impact of those projections on the FY 2015-2016 Budget. AFTER DISCUSSION, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #08-15 APPROVING THE FY 2014-2015 MIDYEAR BUDGET REQUESTS.

Patteson-Roberson: Ayes: Ruettgers; Roberson; Eckroth; Patteson; Martin.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager Report

General Manager David McArthur questioned Board Members as to their availability for a workshop to discuss the development of RiverLakes Ranch Park as well as other capital development projects.

B. Marketing Report

Marketing Director Lisa Plank informed Board Members of the participation of staff in the upcoming March for Meals program, a nationwide annual campaign to shed light on the Meals on Wheels program and generate resources needed to support the program; informed Board Members of the March 16-20, 2015 Community Champions Week in which NOR will be reaching out to various community leaders to help prepare, package and deliver Meals on Wheels; and informed members that NOR will conduct a two-day 60 year NOR anniversary celebration October 16 and 17, 2015.

C. Capital Improvement Projects

Park Planner/Landscape Architect Steph Sanders informed Board Members that a three acre park site should be complete within the year at the 7th Standard and Calloway development and that the disk golf course, which included the addition of nine holes as well as signage and scorecards, is near completion.

D. Financial Report

Finance Director Monya Jameson provided a brief update of an item contained within the monthly voucher list of bills and informed Board Members that NOR has not received payment from Kern Cog for CTSA operations.

E. Personnel Report

Human Resources Director Esther Gonzales informed Board Members of current recruitment efforts.

F. Recreation and Parks Program Reports

Parks and Recreation Director Therron Dieckmann informed Board Members that the Rasmussen Senior Center's new floor overlay is complete and that

maintenance staff are currently working on a number of painting projects with the assistance of two volunteer groups from Kern High School District. Written reports were also provided for the CTSA Program, Rasmussen Center and Santa Visits.

G. Training Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- Memorandum from Kern County Special District Related to Nominations for Special District Representative.
- Letter from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors announcing the reappointment of Steve Ruettgers to the North of the River Recreation and Park District Board.
- Email from John Bagala relating to use of RiverLakes Ranch Gymnasiums.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

THERE WERE NO BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on March 16, 2015.

Minutes to be approved at Board Meeting held on March 16, 2015

Elaine Bush, Clerk of the Board

David McArthur, General Manager

Steve Ruettgers, Chairperson