

FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

APPROVED MINUTES

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Jensen	<u> ✓ </u>
Vice Chairman Sharkey	<u> ✓ </u>
Director John Allen	<u> ✓ </u>
Director Loren Gill	<u> ✓ </u>
Director Jan Hill	<u> ✓ </u>

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. CLOSED SESSION

A. ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board will recess into Closed Session at _____ pm to discuss the following:

- (1) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Labor Negotiations
- (2) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Personnel
- (3) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Personnel
- (4) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.9(b)(1), (b)(2) Anticipated litigation.
Legal Counsel: Sara Knowles, Leland, Schultz, Morrissey & Knowles
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RECONVENED AT 5:46 PM

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION:

Items 1, 2, and 3 there are no announcements. Item 4 regarding the municipal auditorium, a tentative agreement has been resolved and will be made available to the public upon execution with the city of Oroville. There is nothing to discuss for items 5 and 6. Item 7, the district received a copy from Candace J. Grubbs and the letter is available at this time at the district office. It states that at this point the recall position will not be moving forward.

COMMENT

Scott Perkins- there has been a lot of discussion about the purchase of Oroville Gymnastics Academy facility. All of the documents surrounding the purchase will available for viewing in the lobby, there will be electronic versions and hard copy versions will be available upon request. There is about 3 binders worth of documents to the purchase. There are some clarifications regarding the purchase of the gymnastics facility: the facility is a year old and the district began operating the facility on September 1, 2010, and the facility was purchased under the prior Board.

II. HEARING SESSION

At this time the Board will extend the courtesy of the Hearing Session to interested parties who wish to speak on items not on the agenda. State law prohibits the Board from taking action on any item presented if it is not listed on the agenda, except under special circumstances as defined in the Government Code. **You may be limited to five (5) minutes.**

Dale Dorr - It was reported last week in the paper that Director Gill and Director Hill wanted to increase programs as a way to correct the financial problems of the district. It also said that Hill and Gill said that the other members of the Board refused to go along with this. He would like to see Directors Hill and Gill identify one or two of these projects complete with cost of running the program and equipment, expected revenue, and participating people who will pay in order to evaluate whether this project will make any money. Director Gill responded with a previous board member suggested hiring another gymnastics coach at a pay rate \$11.20 an hour because there were enough students for another part-time coach. Director Hill said that by using an already staffed person, this project would generate several hundreds of dollars.

Lex Parker - speaking on behalf of the Skate Park issue and resolution. He is president of Lake Oroville Bicycling Organization. His concern is that there are steps in motion to clean the graffiti. He is unclear whether the district has the manpower to clean the graffiti in the skate park but he believes that LOBO has the man power volunteer in order to reopen the park. He met with the police department and understands why it was shut down. His organization is interested in helping whether is a donation of time or labor to reopen the park as soon as possible.

Virgil Gage - Some time ago, he requested a break down of the hours for the district's attorney. He received the listing of the attorney's charges for the last five years, but this was not what he wanted. He wanted a breakdown of the hours that led up to a \$60,000 charge that the District received for the four months the attorney was here. He is requesting a document with the hours and dates for which the costs were incurred.

On a recent visit to the River Bend Park he observed the Rodriguez Landscape doing a lot of work on the park. He is interested on whether the Board voted to have Rodriguez Landscaping work on the park. He asks why the already paid employees that already do this work were not fixing the soccer fields. The Board responded by saying that this job required a professional because of the extent repairs the field needed.

He also asks whether the people voted to allow a production charge of \$1.10 a minute for the Board Minutes to be posted on the website. He asks whether there is a staff person that can do this job. Chairman Jensen responded that recently the District has been understaffed and Leland, Schultz, Morrissey & Knowles offered to produce the minutes without charge until an executive secretary has been hired.

Trudy - highlighted that Rodriguez Landscape has a \$6,070 charge but was only budgeted for \$5,000. Perkins responded saying he authorized Rodriguez Landscape with a \$4900 rehab contract for the soccer fields but there was additional work and some sprinkler head were bought to replace broken ones, which added to the cost.

Mike Howard - wants to thank the District for lending tables for the Airport Dale Fly-In. the tables were used to serve breakfast on. The event was a success. Over 1,000 people attended and they were able to take about 105 youths in the airplanes as part of the Young Eagles program. He wants to invite the District to next year's event on August 18th.

Rich Delaby - soccer's opening day was last Saturday. Just under 700 kids signed up this year and about 600 of those were able to play at River Bend Park while the rest played at Dr. Martin Luther King Park. He wants to thank the District's support and partnership.

He mentions that another project that was supposed to generate revenue was a summer camp. He was curious whether the camp made money from this program.

Jerry Williams - reads the following statement: *"A couple of weeks ago, my wife and I attended a Tea Party meeting. My understanding of what the Tea Party represents is a grass-roots movement of a conservative nature - not a movement led by a disgruntled politician and other leaders who misinform or omit facts to their audience. When I asked the audience whether they were aware of the events in January which I told them about, no one acknowledged that they did. Now I am sorry, Ms. Coots left right? Ms. Coots and Mr. Gage said that they did. Evidently, they did not think enough importance of it to inform their members. All of this while the Brown Act was the topic of Mr. Gage's talk that he had. Mr. Gage told the audience that at the last Park meeting, the Tea Party was verbally attacked and disrespected by Mr. Connelly not three minutes after Mr. Gage. I didn't hear that. When I asked Ms. Coots if she thought things were done by this board that were illegal, she replied yes and she had the proof. She chose not to share it with me or her audience. When Ms. Coots informed the audience that it would take \$900 to publish the petition, a sitting council member stood up and borrowed a hat, put \$10 in it, and was proceeding to pass the hat when informed by Ms. Coots that there is a newspaper in town that might publish it for free. I found this quite disquieting. I asked the audience not to sign the petition until they came to one of these board meetings and asked their own questions. Now, Virgil has asked a number of questions of this board. I seem to get the feeling, this is my own opinion, that the questions are asked to either embarrass the board or something else. I see a lot of vindictive things going on here that has nothing to do with the betterment of this organization or the city of Oroville. I could be completely wrong, but I don't think so. I told you that I would not attend*

another Tea Party meeting, but I will. There is something dreadfully wrong when we've had the kind of actions we've had by the leadership that is supposed to be aiding this town."

III. ACTION SESSION

Anyone wishing to speak on items on this agenda may do so at the time the item is called and the Chairperson opens discussion to the public. When you wish to speak, you must wait to be recognized by the Chairperson and, prior to addressing the issue give your name and address for the record. **You may be limited to five (5) minutes.**

A. CONSENT AGENDA

B. ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

C. GENERAL FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION 1166-11 FOR APPROVING THE PROPERTY TAX APPROPRIATION LIMITS AS GOVERNED BY CODE

On the recommendation of the General Manager, it is moved by Vice-Chairman Sharkey and seconded by Director Gill that Board approves Resolution 1166-11 (Appendix A), approving appropriation limitation.

VOTE: Ayes: 5 Noes: Abstain

DC Jones wants to know what the ration of change factor was and how much money will the District be paying next year?

The factor was 1.006715 which is \$19,273.

2. APPROVE RESOLUTION 1167-11 FOR APPROVING THE BUDGET TRANSFER OF \$20,000 FROM THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FUNDING SOURCE TO THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

On the recommendation of the General Manager, it is moved by Director Gill and seconded by Director Allen that the Board approves Resolution 1167-11 (Appendix B) approving the budget transfer from BAD to General Fund

VOTE: Ayes: 5 Noes: Abstain

RECESS AT 6:49 p.m.

RECONVENE AT 6:57 p.m.

D. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

1. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND RATIFICATION OF

On the recommendation of the General Manager, it is moved by Vice Chairman

WARRANTS

Sharkey and seconded by Director Allen that

VOTE: Ayes: 4 Noes: 1 Abstain

2. BALANCE SHEET & INCOME STATEMENT

Information only. No action requested (Appendix E)

Scott Perkins clarified P&L page 2, gain (loss) disposition, income is from Farmers Insurance on loss of pick up truck. On page 3 Communications, Cintas to help save money on paper products. There are plans for doing an energy audit. On page 9 purchased a van for \$15,143.41. TJ states that he would like the Board to discuss transferring money to treasury cash. Discussed impact fees.

IV. DISCUSSION SESSION

- A. Junior Giants update, profit & loss – current loss is \$429.00
- B. Riverbend Multipurpose Fields, “Field 4” & SBF – meeting with city. Contract with city but FRRPD has not executed the contract.
- C. GM update on meeting/discussions with INSPIRE – had meeting with them. They had a concern about just starting the season and want to keep the status quo. TJ would update them monthly on P & L. There was a question about whether they had started the 501(c)(3) process. They have not. Will regroup at end of year with INSPIRE and TJ.
- D. Board and Committee minutes update – 3 of the past 6 meetings are almost done. They will all be done by next Board meeting.
- E. MLK water bill – no update, not completely reconciled, double billed, P & L not adjusted for July, audit started Monday.
- F. Skate Park issues & resolution – met with 2 contractors, Land Image – eco friendly. Just painted – graffiti removal. Massive amounts of graffiti and the District is not equipped to handle it. Chief of Police Bill LaGrone of Oroville – videos will be sent back to the department and their DVR system will be monitoring 24/7 by dispatchers. Resolution: outsourcing graffiti removal.

IV. COMMITTEES, DIRECTORS’, AND MANAGER REPORTS

A. DIRECTORS’ REPORTS

- 1. **Director Allen** – yard sale, neighborhood kids love soccer fields
- 2. **Director Gill** – building bridges in Riverbend Park. Salmon Dinner – band, food, bar, outdoors, tickets on sale at Chamber of Commerce.
- 3. **Director Hill** – building bridges good turn out at opening of soccer season, finance committee, volunteer’s need to fill out forms, workers comp/ice cream trucks were not supposed to be at opening soccer event. – Asked John about his statement in the paper about the former Board behind the recall to regain power.
- 4. **Vice Chairman Sharkey** No report
- 5. **Chairman Jensen** – Discussed the SBF meeting, discussed procedures, what grant money will go to in next 50 years. Discussed Finance meeting, opening soccer day. Discussion gymnastics, and that the Board has to use taxpayers money to pay off gymnastics along with other debt.

Comment: Vice Chairman Sharkey says he has been attacked and it is very hurtful. He discusses putting the documents regarding the gymnastics purchase on the website for easy

access to the public and therefore no charge. Discussed Wildlife Conservation Board/Riverbend Park. He asks when will the audit be complete? TJ Jensen responds that the audit will take 10 days and there will be a presentation of the audit by the end of December. Bob Sharkey says that this has been a very difficult time for him.

B. STAFF REPORTS – (Scott Perkins?) great meeting with Hmong community.

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Committee – discussed revenue protocol, district debt, attorney’s fees, P&L, mid-year budget revise, formalized department heads, staff is going to come back with reports, switching over to Activenet.

2. Park & Rec. Committee – no report

Comment:

Virgil - My career has been primarily in military and government programs. I know that there are retention times for all kinds of paperwork. I get a little upset when I hear about people shredding public records. A comment was made about additional copies of paperwork. I want to go on record that the shredding of paperwork is a very serious problem in this District. We have been having people shred paperwork for weeks.

TJ – I would ask you to specify that?

Virgil – There have been reports of Susan Martin shredding paperwork for several hours at one time and I am just saying when you start shredding paperwork it need to be retained. You are putting yourself in a very serious position. That paperwork is used for documentation. Be careful what you do. If unsupervised shredding continues

Resolution – Susan should itemize documents she is shredding.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A. ADJOURNMENT

The Board Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:45p.m.

/s/
TJ Jensen, Chairman

Attest: _____
/s/
Scott Perkins, General Manager