

**FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
1875 FEATHER RIVER BLVD., OROVILLE, CA 95965**

DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
Regular Board Meeting
October 3, 2017

Location: FRRPD Conference Room

Approved Minutes

Closed Session 5:00PM/Open Session 5:30PM

The public portion of the meeting was recorded by Executive Assistant Victoria Anton.

Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

In attendance:

Chairperson Victoria Smith	<u>Present</u>
Vice-Chairman Gary Emberland	<u>Present</u>
Director Scott Kent Fowler	<u>Present</u>
Director Marcia Carter	<u>Absent</u>
Director Don Noble	<u>Present</u>

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS PERFORMED

The meeting was adjourned to closed session.

A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Government Code Section 54957: Position Park Supervisor

The meeting reconvened to open session at 5:30pm.

Chairperson Smith made the closed session announcement:

Board consensus is to place the District’s Park Supervisor on unpaid leave with medical benefits paid through December 31, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A member of the public expressed her concern with the District’s ability to meet payroll needs in November and December before getting a tax payment. She reminded the Board that there are not extra funds for emergencies. She also noted that the engineer’s report has been paid for and that she would look into another competitor engineer company in an effort to find services at a better cost.

Another member of the public asked the Board the amount of public funds that go into the gymnastics program. He believes that the tax payers are contributing \$200K-\$300k. He mentioned he was attending Board meetings five years ago to monitor Board decisions and he thinks that it is time he attend again. He noted that the medium income for the residents of Oroville is \$30k per year and that families cannot afford to enroll their children into the gymnastics program. He believes that this is unfair to the tax payers. The public member

reminded the Board that the District is required to offer affordable recreation programs to the community. He requested that the Activity Center be sold and that the District get out of the gymnastics business. The tax payers cannot afford it and it is not fair to them. He said that because of poor Board decisions, the District cannot afford to complete park projects or take care of the parks. He also noted that although the General Manager does an exceptional job, she should not have been awarded \$10k raise because the community can't afford it. He brought to the Board's attention Director Noble's conflict of interest by trying to sell the District his property. The public member said that the District doesn't need it. He stated that he is advocating for the tax payers and requested that the Board shut it down. "It's not right to the people". He also mentioned that the Department of Water Resources should be held financially responsible for the repairs to Riverbend Park.

A community tennis player expressed her concern with the condition of the tennis courts. She believes that the court needs to be completely redone. General Manager Ramage responded that the tennis courts are part of the District's flood insurance claim and that they will be repaired in the future.

Another public member requested that Board meetings be advertised more. He shared a newspaper highlighting the Nature Center volunteer group during the Feather River Cleanup. He also mentioned his disappointment with the recent Berry Creek Park contract presented by the Pioneer Elementary School District and will work with General Manager Ramage to request revisions.

Another member of the public mentioned her previous involvement with the "Concerned Citizens" group years ago and believes that the group needs to attend meetings again due to poor park conditions and bad financial decisions being considered by the Board. She reminded the Board that the community elects officials to make prudent financial decisions and that they should always have the tax payer in mind. "There is so much that the tax payers have to contribute and they aren't getting a bang for their buck." She believes that the District is moving backwards in terms of progress.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

All community volunteers and local sponsors were thanked for their participation and support of the 2017 Feather River Cleanup Event.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve August 22, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.**
- B. Divide Park & Rec Committee into two standing committees titled Park & Facility Committee and Recreation Committee per Park & Rec Committee recommendation and appoint members to each committee.**

Board consensus to move forward with dividing the Park & Rec committee into two standing committees (Park & Facility and Recreation). Chairperson Smith requested additional time to appoint committee members.

Director Noble moved to approve the consent agenda.

Director Fowler seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

REGULAR AGENDA

A. ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Review fee waiver request for a fundraising event hosted by the Forbestown Advisory Council at Forbestown Hall**

Executive Assistant Anton provided a staff report summarizing the FAC fee waiver request.

Director Fowler moved approve fee waiver request for a fundraising event hosted by the Forbestown Advisory Council at Forbestown Hall.

Director Emberland seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE FEE WAIVER REQUEST FOR A FUNDRAISING EVENT HOSTED BY THE FORBESTOWN ADVISORY COUNCIL AT FORBESTOWN HALL WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

- 2. RESOLUTION NO. 1367-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF PUBLIC USE IMPACT FEE FUNDS TO THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000 FOR APPROVED ACTIVITY CENTER FOAM PIT PROJECT**

Director Emberland moved to approve RESOLUTION NO: 1367-17.

Director Noble seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1367-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF PUBLIC USE IMPACT FEE FUNDS TO THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000 FOR APPROVED ACTIVITY CENTER FOAM PIT PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

- 3. RESOLUTION NO. 1368-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT ACKNOWLEDGING THE COMPLETION OF THE ACTIVITY CENTER FOAM PIT PROJECT**

Director Emberland moved to approve RESOLUTION NO: 1368-17.

Director Fowler seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1368-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT ACKNOWLEDGING THE COMPLETION OF THE ACTIVITY CENTER FOAM PIT PROJECT WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

- 4. Review and approve annual agreement with Mazes Consulting for District IT services**

Director Noble moved to approve annual agreement with Mazes Consulting for District IT services.

Director Fowler seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL AGREEMENT WITH MAZES CONSULTING FOR DISTRICT IT SERVICES WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

- 5. RESOLUTION NO. 1369-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FROM THE MERCHANT CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT: BANK OF THE WEST TO THE GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT 2600**

Director Fowler moved to approve RESOLUTION NO: 1369-17.

Director Emberland seconded the motion.

***THE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1369-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEATHER RIVER RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FROM THE MERCHANT CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT: BANK OF THE WEST TO THE GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT 2600 WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE (DIRECTOR CARTER ABSENT).**

NON-ACTION ITEMS

September 2017 finance items were reviewed.

DIRECTOR'S & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports: *The Finance and Park & Rec Committees met this month.*

1. Director Emberland noted participating in an interview with audit representatives from KCOE ISOM. He also attended a community meeting at Riverbend Park on September 27th and invited the community to attend the upcoming Riverbend Park workshop on October 18th.
2. Director Noble also attended the community meeting at Riverbend Park and enjoyed speaking with the public regarding their concerns with the homeless activity at the Park.
3. Director Fowler was disappointed that he was unable to attend the community meeting at Riverbend Park due to a family emergency. He noted his happiness with the increased attendance at this evenings Board meeting. He enjoyed the Feather River Cleanup and hopes to continue cleanups throughout the year.
4. Director Smith attended a local fellows club meeting and spoke on various items including the increased homeless population in the community.
5. Director Carter was absent.

General Manager Ramage gave a report on the following item(s):

1. The application for grant funds from the Habitat Conservation Fund Program was submitted.

STAFF REPORTS WERE REVIEWED

CORRESPONDENCE

Executive Assistant Anton presented a card from the Hmong Cultural Center thanking the Feather River Recreation and Park District Board of Directors for waiving their PEB Family Fun Day event fees.

Staff also presented the California Special Districts Association: 2017 Innovative Program/Project of the Year recognition awarded to the District for the collaborated cleanup efforts on June 23rd at Riverbend Park.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None at this time.

BOARD ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Special Meeting on October 18th: Riverbend Park Workshop

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm.

Attest: _____
Victoria Smith, Chairperson

Apyl Ramage, General Manager