



# 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  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024, 5:30 P.M.**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER: BOARD MEETING CONVENED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON JENIFER VANALSTEIN AT 5:33 P.M.**

**2. ROLL CALL:**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

JENIFER VANALSTEIN; ROBERT SMITH; RYAN SKIDMORE;  
JAMES NABORS; CRYSTAL MADDEN (5:35 P.M.)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

NONE

**STAFF PRESENT**

MIKE EVANS; JANETT MILLER; BRET HANEY

JASMIN LOBASSO; WAYNE MCARTHUR; STEPH THISIUS-SANDERS

**LEGAL COUNSEL**

JACOB THOMASY

**PUBLIC PRESENT**

NONE

**3. FLAG SALUTE:** Vice Chairperson Jenifer VanAlstein 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.

**Skidmore; Nabors: Ayes: Skidmore; Nabors; VanAlstein; Smith.**

**Noes: None. Absent: Madden. Motion carried.**

**B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held January 22, 2024**

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

**Skidmore; Nabors: Ayes: Skidmore; Nabors; VanAlstein; Smith.**

**Noes: None. Absent: Madden. 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.

**Skidmore; Nabors: Ayes: Skidmore; Nabors; VanAlstein; Smith.**

**Noes: None. Absent: Madden. Motion carried.**

**6. BOARD BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE POLICY**

General Manager Bret Haney requested approval of the Board Meeting Attendance Policy that was reviewed at the December 2023 and January 2024 Board meetings. The policy remained unchanged from the January 2024 meeting. BOARD APPROVED THE BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE POLICY.

**Nabors; Skidmore: Ayes: Skidmore; Nabors; VanAlstein; Madden; Smith**

**Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

**7. STAFF REPORTS**

**A. General Manager**

General Manager Bret Haney thanked Janett Miller for accepting the role of Board Clerk. Mr. Haney commented that the staff will investigate how to move forward with making the board packets digital. Mr. Haney reported that the CPRS Conference is next week; if any board members have any questions during their absence, refer all questions to Finance Director Wayne McArthur and Construction Director Steph Thisius-Sanders. Mr. Haney also commented that the board will have their board photo taken before the start of next month's board meeting.

**B. Capital Improvement Projects**

Construction Director Steph Thisius-Sanders provided updates from the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) workshop including NOR Pool, Polo Community Bark Park, Standard Park, Stockdale River Ranch Community Park, CTSA property and

Warehouse on North Chester. Ms. Thisius-Sanders also mentioned that NOR will have a Vaughn Water Company Community Meeting.

**C. Financial**

Finance Director Wayne McArthur shared that staff will be working on the budget next month and will be presented to the board.

**D. Personnel**

Reports Received and Filed.

**E. Parks Division**

Superintendent of Parks and Facilities Mike Evans reported that Greenacres Community Center (GA) roof was repaired before the change in weather. Mr. Evans also commented that the GA Pool is complete.

**F. Recreation and Community Services**

Superintendent of Recreation and Community Services Jasmin LoBasso reported that NOR started to advertise the online reservation option on our website. She also reviewed current activities, including Daddy Daughter Dance, Skateboard Camp, and Adult Tennis.

**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

**BOB SMITH** requested a background on the general fund.

**JAMES NABORS** – No Comment

**CRYSTAL MADDEN** requested and updated on the general fund.

**RYAN SKIDMORE** – No Comment

**JENIFER VANALSTEIN** – No Comment

**10. ADJOURNMENT**


The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on March 18, 2024.

Minutes to be approved at Board  
Meeting held on March 18, 2024



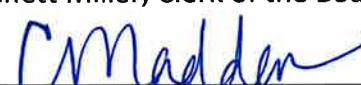
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Bret Haney, General Manager



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Janett Miller, Clerk of the Board



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Crystal Madden, Chairperson