



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
MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021, 5:30 P.M.
MEETING CONDUCTED VIA WEBEX**

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1. CALL TO ORDER: BOARD MEETING CONVENED BY CHAIRPERSON BOB LERUDE AT 5:31 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
DONNA CLOPTON; BROOKS DOUGLASS; JIM ECKROTH;
BOB LERUDE; STEVE RUETTIGERS (Arrived at 5:37P.M.)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
NONE

STAFF PRESENT
RACHEAL GARCIA; ESTHER GRIJALVA; MONYA JAMESON;
WAYNE MCARTHUR; LISA PLANK; STEPH SANDERS
MARLYN SILVA; BETH VAGLE

LEGAL COUNSEL
NONE

PUBLIC PRESENT
TIFFANY NICHOLS; ANAMARIE

3. FLAG SALUTE: Chairperson Bob Lerude 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!

Tiffany Nichols expressed her concerns with the lack of attention she believes the District has paid to parks in the Oildale area. General Manager Monya Jameson commented she would be happy to meet and discuss the items mentioned.

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.

Eckroth; Clopton: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

B. Approval of Minutes from the Board of Directors' Regular Meeting Held December 21, 2020

Request by Clerk of the Board of Directors to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. BOARD APPROVED MINUTES.

Eckroth; Clopton: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

C. Receive and File Bills and Invoice

A monthly voucher list of bills submitted for payment during the previous two months was provided to Board Members for review, comment and filing. BOARD RECEIVED AND FILED BILLS AND INVOICES.

Eckroth; Clopton: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

6. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Lease Agreement with Bakersfield Christian High School for the Use of Greenacres Pool for Swim Team Practices, Resolution #01-21

General Manager Monya Jameson requested approval of Resolution #01-21 authorizing the agreement with Bakersfield Christian High School for the use of Greenacres Pool during the period of January 25, 2021 through May 21, 2021. In January 2020 an agreement was developed and approved by legal counsel that defines responsibilities and expectations for the use of the District's pool facilities for competitive swim team practices. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #01-21 APPROVING THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BAKERSFIELD CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE USE OF GREENACRES POOL FOR SWIM TEAM PRACTICE.

Eckroth; Ruetters : Ayes: Clopton; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Abstain: Douglass. Motion carried

B. Workers' Compensation Coverage for Volunteers, Resolution #02-21

General Manager Monya Jameson requested approval of Resolution #02-21 for authorization to extend Workers' Compensation coverage as provided by State law to all members of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District and volunteers at no cost to the District. Staff responded to board inquiries. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION #02-21 AUTHORIZING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Douglass; Eckroth: Ayes: Clopton; Douglass; Eckroth; Lerude; Ruetters.

Noes: None. Absent: None. Motion carried

7. STAFF REPORTS

A. General Manager Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED.

B. Marketing Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED.

C. Capital Improvement Projects

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED. STAFF RESPONDED TO BOARD INQUIRIES.

D. Financial Report

Finance Director Wayne McArthur reviewed the mid-year budget review document with the Board. Currently, staff does not have any recommendations to change the budget at this time given the many unknowns that exist. The District will be reimbursed from the County for COVID-19 expenses. The purchase of the electric utility vehicles will also be reimbursed. The only additional expense was for the one-time salary adjustment for staff.

E. Parks Division Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED.

F. Recreation Program Report

Recreation Specialist Marlyn Silva reported that the District received approval to provide the Learning Enrichment and Activity Program (LEAP) after applying for a waiver back in August 2020. The program will be an aid for all parents to drop off their children to complete distance learning. The program will begin on February 1, 2021.

G. Training Report

REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Opportunity for the Board to comment on items not listed on the agenda

BOB LERUDE thanked Tiffany for participating and asking questions. Mr. Lerude thanked Marlyn for providing information regarding the LEAP program commenting this will be a great benefit for working parents. He also thanked staff for providing reports so the board can come prepared with questions.

DONNA CLOPTON thanked Tiffany for participating in the meeting.

BROOKS DOUGLASS thanked staff for preparing reports for the Board. Mr. Douglass also thanked Tiffany for participating commenting it is great when the community is involved.

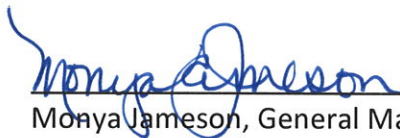
STEVE RUETTIGERS thanked the Board for approving the delay of board meetings from the third Tuesday to the fourth Monday on months with a holiday. Mr. Ruetters thanked Landscape Architect/Park Planner Steph Sanders and the crew that has been working on the North Meadows landscape, commenting they are doing a fantastic job.

JIM ECKROTH commented residents in the northwest have seen activity on the baseball diamond at Aera Park and have been inquiring if the District will be available for reservations. General Manager Monya Jameson responded staff is reviewing policies and forms as there are still restrictions the community will need to follow.


10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of North of the River Recreation and Park District scheduled on February 22, 2021.

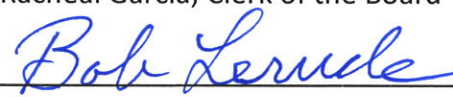
Minutes to be approved at Board
Meeting held on February 22, 2021



Monya Jameson, General Manager



Racheal Garcia, Clerk of the Board



Bob Lerude, Chairperson