MINUTES
RANCHO SIMI RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
1692 SYCAMORE DR., SIMI VALLEY, CA 93065
JULY 3, 2014, 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM

I. CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Douglas Duran

II. ROLL CALL: Present: Directors O'Brien, Hostetler, Cavanaugh, Vice Chair Freeman, Chair Johnson

Staff: Robert Castanon, Douglas Duran, Doug Gale, Karen Garber, Wayne Nakaoka, Carol Odenberg, Larry Peterson, Brian Hamblet, Esq., Brian Reed

Guests: Britney and Deborah Castanon

III. PUBLIC DISCUSSION (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA):

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

District Manager stated that the Unapproved Minutes of the June 19, 2014 Regular Board Meeting will be placed on the July 17, 2014 Board Meeting Agenda.

V. SCHEDULED ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(A) Presentation of the Full-time Employee of the Month for June 2014 to Danielle June 35-14-r

Chair Johnson stated that Danielle June was unable to attend the Board Meeting, and therefore will be presented with her Employee of the Month award at work.

(B) Presentation of the Full-time Employee of the Month for June 2014 to Roberto Castanon 35-14-s

Director of Administration stated there was a tie for the Employee of the Month Award for June 2014 and that Robert Castanon was one of the recipients. She reviewed his nomination, which was followed with Chair Johnson presenting the award to Robert. Director of Recreation mentioned that Robert started working for the District in the Recreation Department. He was assigned to the Oak Park Community Center where he did a really good job. Director of Planning and Maintenance said Robert really works hard, takes pride in his work, and does an incredible job caring for the Sycamore Drive Community Center along with his other assignments. The Directors congratulated him for doing a wonderful job. Robert thanked everyone for the award and then introduced his wife, Deborah, and daughter, Britney.
VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

(A) Approval of Check Registers: 6/27/14 (payroll); 6/15/14 (payables)

(B) Approval of Notice of Completion and Final Acceptance for Weed Abatement Services at Various District Parks and Open Space Areas 7-14-f

ACTION: Director Hostetler moved to Approve Consent Agenda Items (A) and (B); Vice Chair Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

VII. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Authorization to Solicit Bids for the Rancho Simi Community Park Lagoon Renovation Project 43-14-b

ACTION: Vice Chair Freeman moved to Approve Authorization to Solicit Bids for the Rancho Simi Community Park Lagoon; Director O'Brien seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

(B) Approval of Resolution Establishing the 2014-15 Appropriations Limitation in Accordance with Article XIII B of the Constitution of the State of California 33-14-c

ACTION: Director O'Brien moved to Approve Resolution No. 1886 Establishing the 2014-15 Appropriations Limitation of $16,136,698 for fiscal year 2014-15 in Accordance with Article XIII B of the Constitution of the State of California; Director Cavanaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with the following roll-call vote:

Ayes: Directors O'Brien, Hostetler, Cavanaugh, Freeman, Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

(C) Approval of Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District 2014 Conflict of Interest Code Amendments and Associated Forms 108-14-a

ACTION: Director Hostetler moved to Approve Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District 2014 Conflict of Interest Code Amendments and Associated Forms for the 2014 Biennial Review and Authorize the District Manager to Sign and Submit These Documents to the County of Ventura; Director Cavanaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

(D) Approval of Resolution of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (“LAIF”) 33-14-d

ACTION: Vice Chair Freeman moved to Approve Resolution No. 1887 of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Authorizing the District Manager and the Director of Administration to Invest the Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (“LAIF”); Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried with the following roll-call vote:
Ayes: Directors O'Brien, Hostetler, Cavanaugh, Freeman, Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

(E) Continued Review and Discussion Regarding Proposed Revisions to District’s Ordinance No. 2, Rules and Regulations Governing Use of District Facilities 84-14-b

The Board discussed with staff the proposed revision of the District’s Ordinance No. 2 Rules and Regulations, and considered whether to direct further changes. District Manager said changes were recommended and incorporated by District’s Legal Counsel, and Counsel also provided staff with examples of some violation code sections. He recommended the Board pay special attention to specific areas and provide staff with any feedback. The Board had questions on certain sections, i.e., loitering, aggressive panhandling, smoking, horses, food & beverage. District Manager stated that the Board’s recommendations will be taken into consideration, and then there will be one more legal review. He also briefly explained the remaining process / timeline, including agendizing the item and a public hearing, before the Ordinance would become law.

(F) Consideration of Approval of Resolution of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Nominating a Candidate to Serve on the Board of Directors for the California Association of Recreation and Park Districts 22-14-a

ACTION: Vice Chair Freeman moved to Approve Resolution No. 1888 of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Approving the Nomination of Mark Johnson as a Candidate to Serve on the Board of Directors for the California Association of Recreation and Park Districts; Director O’Brien seconded the motion.

IX. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:
None.

X. REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:
Director Cavanaugh did not have any committee meetings this period.

Director Cavanaugh will be attending tomorrow’s 4th of July extravaganza.

Director Hostetler and the District Manager road the Kanan Shuttle in Oak Park. He noted that the shuttle’s main riders are students and domestic help that work up in that area, and it does not drop people off at the shopping centers.

Director O’Brien did not have any committee meetings this period, but did have the Simi Valley Alliance for the Arts.

Director O’Brien asked if everyone received their wrist bands and parking passes for July 4th.

Vice Chair Freeman had a CSDA Board Meeting on June 4th, and said CSDA is in a good financial situation. She reported that VCSDA voted to be a chapter of CSDA, and San Luis Obispc also, and that almost all the primary counties are chapters of CSDA now. She said they also discussed the new Regional Communications Plan Networks, and the responsibilities of the board members.
Vice Chair Freeman had a CSDA Legislative Committee meeting via webinar. She discussed a couple of the November 2014 ballot measures. One is the Approval of Healthcare Insurance Rate Changes - "Insurance Rate Public Justification and Accountability Act", which she said is becoming quite controversial, and another is the Drug and Alcohol Testing of Doctors, Medical Negligence Lawsuits - "Troy and Alana Pack Patient Safety Act of 2014".

Vice Chair Freeman said Eric Bergh from Calleguas Municipal Water District will be speaking at VCSDA’s August 5, 2014 meeting, and he will be giving an update on the water bond measure. She noted also that the meeting will be held here at the Park District.

Vice Chair Freeman along with Chair Johnson attended an Ad Hoc Committee meeting concerning the Sycamore Drive Community Center. They established some direction with the District Manager on this facility and requested some information, and stated they thought a 3-5 year time frame for any change seemed reasonable.

Vice Chair Freeman received a complaint from someone that fertilizer in the small dog area at the Simi Dog Park was really loose and got matted in the dog’s hair. Staff explained that when they aerate the area plugs are formed, and then they roll the plugs down before they fertilize over the top.

Chair Johnson said he attended the Ad Hoc Committee meeting regarding the Sycamore Drive Community Center. He said once they receive some additional information it will need to be seriously reviewed and they will need to make a long-term decision on what to do.

Vice Chair Freeman asked whether CAPRI will be defending the District on the cases that were filed in Ventura Court against the Park District. District Manager said CAPRI tendered defense to the fireworks provider’s insurance counsel, and they accepted the defense.

 XI. REPORT BY DISTRICT MANAGER:

District Manager said under VIII. New Business, Item (F), it was a resolution. The Board had a motion by Vice Chair Freeman, seconded by Director O’Brien, to nominate Mark Johnson. He said it was Resolution No. 1888 and it needed a roll-call vote.

A roll-call vote was taken on the following item, which appeared earlier on the agenda.

VIII. (F) Consideration of Approval of Resolution of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Nominating a Candidate to Serve on the Board of Directors for the California Association of Recreation and Park Districts 22-14-a

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Ayes: Directors O’Brien, Hostetler, Cavanaugh, Freeman, Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
XII. **CLOSED SESSION:**

None.

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT:** Director Hostetler moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.; Vice Chair Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

[Signature]

Larry Peterson, District Clerk