

Bear Mountain Recreation and Park District
A Special District
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, August 19, 2021
David Head Building
10300 San Diego Street
Lamont, California 93241
(www.bearmtnprk.com)

## **MINUTES**

- 1. REGULAR SESSION
- 2. CALL TO ORDER

The regular board of directors meeting of Bear Mountain Recreation and Park District was held Thursday, July 15, 2021, at 6:30 pm in the David Head Center at 10300 San Diego Street, Lamont, California. The district is a political subdivision in the State of California.

**Present:** Chairman Perez, Vice Chairwoman Villanueva, Director Pimentel,

Director Alonso, and Director Jimenez.

**Staff Present:** District Counsel; Nathan Hodges and District Manager, Lorena Cervantes,

Maintenance supervisor Mr. Zamora, Recreation Coordinator Mrs.

Gonzalez, and Mrs. Horton.

### 3. FLAG SALUTE

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. Flag Salute: Chairwoman Villanueva

#### 4. APPROVE AGENDA AS FORM

Director Villanueva motioned for approval of agenda as to form. Seconded by Director Pimentel. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.

- 5. PRESENTATIONS
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. None
- 7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
  - a. None
- 8. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
  - a. None
- 9. CONSENT AGENDA

Items are considered routine, non-controversial and generally approved in a single motion. A board member may request to have an item removed from the consent calendar for discussion of to be deferred. (May include Minutes, Financials, Resolutions, and Policy & Procedure matters).

- **9.1** Minutes
- **9.2** Pre-signed Vouchers
- **9.3** List of Bills

Director Alonso motioned for approval of consent agenda. Seconded by Director Villanueva. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.

#### 10. DEPARTMENTS REPORTS:

## **General Manager Report:**

- Maintenance -Mr. Zamora- We fished the baseball dugouts they came out great, next week we will start working on the playground. We are in a drought right now, so we are going to start watering less Mr. Jimenez- did you receive a letter from the water district to water less Mr. Zamora- no we are going by the governors' recommendations Mr. Jimenez- I think we should water the areas that we use more like the soccer fields and water less in other areas Mr. Zamora- we can do that ill just keep the timers the same Mr. Perez- I know that we need to reduce the use of water by a percentage but not completely would it be possible to water certain parts of the fields Mr. Zamora- yes we can do that Mr. Perez- if you are comfortable with the reduction Mr. Zamora- yes that would be fine will water twenty five less Mr. Perez- I was notified that someone broke into the pool Mr. Zamora- yes they did around 2am they cut the fence to get in
- 10.2 Recreation- Mrs. Gonzalez- I want to say thank you for our baseball field and our new dugouts, now our kids are not running all over the place, and this year because of COVID we struggled more with coaches I just had one come back from last year, this year we have a teacher from Vineland School District and she's all for having games at Weedpatch Park so I asked the kids if they had transportation to come out to Bear Mountain Park if not so we could have some games at Weedpatch Park and some at Bear Mountain Park, but if we ever need to have games at Weedpatch Park we can make that possible this year we did a lot of Robo-calls including DiGiorgio this year I have a total of 82 kids and this year we are suppose to finish August 13<sup>th</sup> but I pushed it out for one more week till August 21<sup>st</sup> and I want to say thank you Nathan but I still have some this year but I wanted to see if its possible for next year instead of getting cleats if we can get baseball pants Mr. Hodges- you just tell me what you need Mrs.

Gonzalez- thank you so much and this year we are not going to use the hall to have our strike out bulling event I wanted to see if we can have waterslides or a maze for the kids to make it fun for them and I wanted to see if at the end you guys could come out and help in some kind of way Mrs. Cervantes- when did you want to do the waterslides Mrs. Gonzalez- on the July 31st Mr. Perez- can you specify that Bear Mountain serves the City of Arvin as well for the donations, because I was able to get a donations for Arvin but they specified that they just wanted to be for Arvin Mrs. Cervantes- they do that here as well when they donate they just want it to be used in Lamont so if Mrs. Horton would need to get donations for Arvin Mrs. Gonzalez- I think Arvin is misinformed we do a lot in Arvin Mr. Jimenez- what day and time are you having the waterslides Mrs. Gonzalez- can I get back with you on the day and time Mr. Perez- is there a time for the tournament Mrs. Gonzalez- I would like to start at 8 a.m. and that would be **Ms. Horton-** I have 65 kids sign up and I have 2 coaches that are going to coach t-ball I've been looking for coaches and haven't got a response back I have email all the parents and I'm starting next week on t-ball and everything that is given to us for the kids I'm going to put in backpacks in give them to the kids this weekend Mr. Jimenez- did you ask the coaches from the Arvin little league to coach and ask last year coaches why they didn't sign up Ms. Horton- they start in August so our leagues are going to cross they finish after we start and they start before we are done so they cant coach Mr. Perez- have you been turning kids away Mrs. Horton- no I'm still accepting kids Mr. Perez- have we had this problems before Covid **Ms. Horton-** no we haven't **Mr. Jimenez-** do you know why the coaches that didn't come back why didn't they want to come back Ms. Hortonas of me they didn't sign up Mr. Jimenez- next year we have to promote more because our league is free there's no reason why they wouldn't sign up we should put posters all over the park Ms. Horton- to put those up next year but that would be an extra cost Mr. Jimenez- yes that would be a great idea I don't think that would be that expensive and we should built a work with the Arvin Little League Ms. Hortondon't worry about that I'm building a relationship with the Arvin Little League

- 10.3 Website/social media- Mrs. Horton- the District Manager and myself did a website training it was a 40-minute training so you will be seeing changes in our website I did a couple of changes last week Mr. Jimenez- I did see the changes on the website it looks better than before it was too simple Ms. Horton- its going to be improving I'm going to continue making changes Mr. Jimenez- I have notice that we haven't been posting in our social media, did we ever create our social media policy Mrs. Cervantes- I don't remember if we did do a policy if we did it should be in the policy Mr. Jimenez- if we didn't maybe we should so we can be more consistent than what we have been Mr. Cervantes- you just wanted it to be posted in our Facebook and Instagram account Ms. Horton- it hasn't been used in 2 to 3 years I could back and activate it
- **10.4 District Manager-** we did attend the CARPD conference, and they did present us with our plaque for recognition for our audit that we had with CAPRI we scored 95 out 100 an excellent recognition and we split our schedules at the conference Mr. Perez and myself to attend different classes, I also had a meeting with Committee the Lamont they had additionally donating the 11,298.47 for our baseball field but I added up the expenses and that added up to 18,577.07 and they agreed to pay the extra on the materials that is

2,986.77, we want to have a ceremony n two to three weeks to thank them and present them with a plaque I will let you know what day we decide on, we want to invite the kids from the Jr. Giants to participate Mr. Perez- will all the directors be invited Mrs. Cervantes- I'm inviting all of our board members right now Mr. Perez- at the conference you guys had nominated me for a director the nomination was received in time and we won I was elected to the CARPD board Mr. Jimenez- when we have the event can we do a media release Mrs. Cervantes- El Committee was going to do that I will get together with them Mr. Jimenez- they can do there own media release and we can do our own media release like that we have higher possibilities to get more media here Mr. Hodges- you want to do more than just release a statement the news here in Bakersfield is always looking for a good story Mr. Jimenez- we can do a news release followed by a phone call I'm confused who donated the money Mrs. Cervantes- this is how it works Committee Progresso de Lamont is different organizations working together but since we are in the Lamont area they wanted to do something for us they have there own money that they get from Recology and other organizations but in order to give that money they need permission from all the organizations Mr. Jimenez- can I get a update on the three grants we applied for Mr. Cervantes- the technology grant was denied the Per Capita this week we received the notice of exempt it had to be posted for thirty days and I had to send it to send it to the offices of grants and they have to issue us a contract, when they issue the contract we will go over it and approve it and then we go out to bid and the CBDG Grant they haven't gave me and update on that grant Mr. Jimenez- do we have a update on the landman to come out Mrs. Cervantes- I did talk to Mr. Hodges about that because he has a list Mr. Hodges- they are very expensive Mr. Jimenez- do you have a estimate on that Mr. Hodges- you would have to do an agreement there is no way that they can give you a flat fee Mr. Jimenez- we should bring it up next month and see a cost for that

#### 11. CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

#### 11.1 Committee Meetings

- -Ad Hoc Community Outreach Committee- Mr. Jimenez- me and Mr. Alonso met, and we have some suggestions to bring more of the community out to our meetings and our first commendations is to use social media to let the community know that we are closed and our holidays Mr. Alonso- basically the same things to post more in social media
- **11.2** Events-Schedule for David Head Center- Mrs. Cervantes- for August we don't have anything but for July 24th of July we are having an event and we have the backpack give away and in the parking lot we do have another backpack giveaway
- 11.3 Events-Senior Center- None

### 12. DISTRICT BOARD MATTERS:

**12.1 Discussion:** Jesus Perez would like to attend SDLA Governance Conference for elected official (common opportunities and challenges facing special districts) September 26-September 29, 2021, in Lake Tahoe.

**Potential Action:** Approve Jesus Perez to attend SDLA Governance Conference for elected official (common opportunities and challenges facing special districts) September 26-September 29, 2021, in Lake Tahoe.

Director Jimenez motioned to approve Jesus Perez to attend SDLA Governance Conference for elected official (common opportunities and challenges facing special districts) September 26-September 29, 2021, in Lake Tahoe. Seconded by Director Pimentel. Approved 4 ayes, 0 noes and 1 abstain.

**12.2 Discussion:** Partnering with Lamont Chamber of Commerce for the backpack giveaway by sponsoring the David Head Building on July 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Potential Action:** Approve Partnering with Lamont Chamber of Commerce for the backpack giveaway by sponsoring the David Head Building on July 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Director Jimenez motioned to Approve contention of the legal counsel of approving of the language. Seconded by Director Perez. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.

- **12.3 Discussion:** Audit Financial Statement for the year ended June 30, 2020
- **12.4 Discussion:** Gala dinner night as a fundraiser.
- **12.5 Discussion:** PG&E License Agreement.

It would expand the event use to include local emergencies unrelated to PSPS Events such as evacuations, earthquakes, or heating/cooling stations. PG&E would like to offer the services they provide to the community should the County/City need them. Anew agreement that is almost identical to the last one but expands the term and generator use to year-round and includes City/County Emergency Events. Essentially it would allow PG&E to come and support the City or County if they had their own emergency and needed additional resources. Completely unrelated to PG&E. PG&E is offering to pay the Daily Use fee for the site.

**Potential Action:** Approve PG&E License agreement with red line

Director Perez motioned to approve re-allocation of funds for a special project that requires priority. Seconded by Director Jimenez. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.

**12.6 Discussion:** Bear Mountain Recreation and Park District LOGO

#### 13. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- **13.1** Review of District's Financial Accounts- Action
- 13.2 QuickBooks Reports- Aged payable, balance sheet, profit, and loss

Director Villanueva motioned for approval of Financial Reports items 13.1 and 13.2. Seconded by Director Perez. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.

### 14. DISTRICT CLOSED SESSION:

a. None

### **15. DIRECTORS TIME:**

Yovani Jimenez- I hope to work more with Unite Way. Fernando Pimentel- thank you to everyone for coming. Yovani Jimenez- I want to thank everyone for coming today. Petra Villanueva- good night and thank you for coming. Jesus Perez- no comment.

# 16. ADJOURNMENT

Director Villanueva motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Seconded by Director Alonso. Approved 5 ayes, 0 noes and 0 absent.