



Bear Mountain Recreation and Park District
A Special District
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, September 17, 2026
David Head Building
10300 San Diego Street
Lamont, California 93241
(www.bearmntnprk.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, August 17, 2026, 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: Chaiman Jesus Perez, Vice Chairman Fernando Alonso, Director Denise Loza and Director Vega.

Staff Present: District Manager Mrs. Cervantes, Maintenance Supervisor Mr. Villalpando and Secretary Clerk Lucia Alcala. Legal Counsel Mr. Hodges on a phone call

Absent: Recreation Coordinator Mrs. Gonzalez

3. **FLAG SALUTE**

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. Flag Salute: Vice Chairman Mr. Alonso

4. **APPROVE AGENDA AS FORM**

MOTION by Director Vega motioned for approval of the agenda as to form. Second, by Director Loza. Approved 4 ayes, 0 absent 0 noes 1 vacancy.

5. PRESENTATIONS- Sherrif Mrs. Calso- the new activity lead for Lamont I'm also a Lamont deputy we are bringing back our SAL Program and are looking for a place to have practice for our Cheer Club, we also want to do community service hours, we would like to have our practice on the first Saturday of the month if its possible **Mrs. Cervantes-** our Sundays are usually open would you consider a Sunday **Sherrif Calso-** I will talk to the Cheer Coach and give her that information **Mr. Alonso-** you guys are the ones representing the non-profit **Sargent-** the president of the SAL Program is the Sherrif and it goes down the Lamont substation has a director Deputy Calso was selected form our substation to represent the SAL Program the coordinator probably 99 percent of the work is going to be done by Deputy Calso **Sherrif Calso-** we have a total of 9 applicants we also have 4 civilians volunteers we also have deputies from the department wanting to volunteer, the purpose of this program is to keep the kids of the streets **Mr. Perez-** yes with just a little bit of flexibility on the Saturdays I think will be good Mr. Hodges- we just need to make an MOU that way we are not gifting public resources we set it up we allow you to use it you do the community service and there's an exchange and we don't get in trouble **Mr. Perez-** the only thing we require is the MOU and the insurance and our Logo in the flyer **Sherrif Calso-** we do have a SAL Instagram and we can thank you as well in there **Mr. Perez-** do we provide the MOU for them of they provide it to us **Mr. Hodges-** Mrs. Cervantes can send you an MOU and then you guys can take it back to the board and red line it if you need to and bring it back and the board can look at it and approve it and then your good to go **Sherrif Calso-** we might also need a place on for our homework assistance club that would be on Tuesday or Thursday it would be in the afternoon from, Tuesday 3:30pm-5:30pm and Thursday from 4pm-6pm

6. PUBLIC COMMENT- None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 7.1** Minutes
- 7.2** Pre-signed Vouchers
- 7.3** List of Bills
- 7.4** Review of District's Financial Accounts
- 7.5** QuickBooks Reports- Aged payables, balance sheet, profit, and loss.
- 7.6** Events- Schedule for David Head Center
- 7.7** Events- Senior Center

MOTION by Director Alonso motioned for approval of the consent agenda 7.1-7.7.
Second, by Director Loza. Approved 4 ayes, 0 absent 0 noes 1 vacancy.

8. DEPARTMENTS REPORTS:
General Manager Report:

- 8.1 Maintenance -Mr. Villalpando-** this month it's been routine maintenance mowing and irrigation; solar lights have been installed here at the baseball field **Mr. Alonso-** which field **Mr. Villalpando** – the baseball field out here and the one in Weedpatch Park they are just not bright as the walkway lights **Mr. Perez-** how many lights total **Mr. Villalpando-** total of six **Mr. Perez-** how many lights do we have in the walking path **Mr. Villalpando-** we have four in the walking path **Mr. Perez-** how much was the total for the lights in the walking path **Mr. Villalpando-** it was around 1,200 **Mr. Perez-** and for the other six lights **Mr. Villalpando-** the same 1,200
- 8.2 Recreation- Mrs. Cervantes-** Mrs. Gonzalez couldn't be here she is doing soccer registrations as of this morning she only has 35 kids registered but she did give me a flyer she is thinking of doing a popup event in our parking lot maybe we can do a monthly popup she did this flyer like a night market flyer she was thinking of charging 50 for a food truck vendor but I think we are going to move it up to 100 and for regular vendor the fee would be 25 we didn't want to start too high we just wanted to see if we would have a good turnout **Mr. Villalpando-** she did say this wasn't going to be official this was more like a rough draft of what she wanted to do **Mr. Perez-** are we going to be insuring this event **Mrs. Cervantes-** well there all going to provide insurance for each both that is something our insurance requires **Mr. Perez-** for food trucks we should do 100 and 30 for regular vendors it sounds like a great idea **Mr. Alonso-** what are we going to do security wise **Mrs. Alcala-** maybe we can use our sheriffs **Mrs. Cervantes-** that's what we would do before we would have them park out here **Mr. Perez-** we would defiantly get our two arm security **Mrs. Cervantes-** we usually get someone local
- 8.3 District Manager-**
- a) **Written Communications- None**
 - b) **Oral Communications- None**
- Mrs. Cervantes-** we been working with the audit we had our audit last month they are still reaching out to use wanting some questions answered they were out here for three days we did run into a little problem with the county reports the way we were doing stuff so I been working with the accountant with that too on clarifying that with them we did have a training this week with the county on how to pull up those reports she did mention that she had that problem with other agencies one of the reporting's had to do with interest this Saturday I will be here with the accountant going over some stuff so we can finalize everything the audit **Mr. Perez-** has any of the finances fluctuated from were we started in our fiscal year **Mrs. Cervantes-** not really it's there that's our cash balance

9. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

9.1 Committee Meetings- None

10. DISTRICT BOARD MATTERS:

- 10.1 Discussion:** Employee Handbook Updates
Potential Action: Approve Employee Handbook Updates

MOTION by Director Alonso motioned to Approve Employee Handbook Updates. Second by Director Loza aye, Approved 4 ayes, 0 absent, 0 noes, 1 vacancy.

11. CLOSED SESSION:

11.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6):
Unrepresented Employee- District General Manager

MOTION by Director Alonso motioned to Approve to go into closed session at 7:20pm. Second by Director Loza aye, Approved 4 ayes, 0 absent, 0 noes, 1 vacancy.

Mr. Perez- we are out of closed session the time is 8:28 p.m. **Mr. Hodges-** during closed session the board discussed renewal of the contract with the District General Manager direction was given to the district General Council concerning compensation and other language in the agreement it's requested that this is placed on the next agenda to finalize it no further reported action.

12. DIRECTORS TIME:

Francis Vega- I just want to thank you guys for coming and thank you for giving us an opportunity to come out here with the community and be part of it

Denise Loza- thank you for coming out and working together and negotiating

Fernando Alonso- I want to say thank you for coming out to the meeting today continuing to get work done I look forward to possible new members or current members staying on board, thank you too for the SAL program coming out and building a relationship between us and them

Mr. Perez- I defiantly like to express a lot of pride and us being in the position that we are in and recently we have heard praises on the new improvement that maintenance has made with the lights and the material cost was under 1,500 dollars for six lights were as in a neighboring city the spent for six lights that were not of the same quality and the materials were of lesser quality they spent 16,000 dollars on the material cost and for that city, I recently seen a report that they were at a function where there was a fundraiser she or he had an audience was talking to Andrew Gonzalez which is a candidate for assembly on how they were going to run our board over with candidates that was really disappointment to hear it was in a public setting in a fundraiser and it has been related to me so I just wanted to make sure that my board and the public that is here today would have the opportunity to also hear from us I also want to thank the SAL Program for coming out I also wanted to thank Javier Arreola for coming out for being service to our community and providing bilingual services I defiantly want to thank our district counsel not only a part of our team and our district counsel and also a key part of our team we appreciate you and love you for that, together I feel that our board when we've had disagreements is that one of us want more for us is really something special I want to thank all of you guys participation in committees **Mr. Hodges** and myself have been here for over a decade I can say that is led us to help other people other communities I know that **Mr. Hodges** did wonderful things in Arvin and when he moved on from there we here what is happening there in the news his moved over to different boards and I think is a reflection of what we've done here and at any point we could communicate with each other through him with that equality his been able to take that winning approach to other cities and other districts I know it has given me

the confidence to speak to other districts and other government agencies and for any reason I'm not here next year I have the full confidence in this board you guys can hip me up for donations

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Vega motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m. Second, by Director Loza. Approved 4ayes, 0 absent 0 noes 1 vacancy.