

ITEM: CONSENT AGENDA – 1 A
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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT was held March 16, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Stricklin.

Board Members Present

Kathleen Stricklin, Chair
Teresa Higgins, Vice Chair (Arrived 6:36)
Laura Lavallee, Secretary
Kristine De Young, Director (Arrived 7:14)
Michael Seaman, Director

Staff Members Present

Michael Grace, General Manager
Becky McDaniel, Superintendent of Recreation
Linda Montijo, Superintendent of Administration

VISITOR COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA AND ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

None

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

BOARD ACTION: APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA: Director Seaman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Secretary Lavallee seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 – 0 – 0 - 2 with Chair Stricklin, Secretary Lavallee, and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were no Abstention or Nays. Vice Chair Higgins and Director DeYoung had not arrived and were recorded as absent.

2. RESOLUTIONS 2016/17-13 ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #1 AND 2016/17-14 ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #2:

- a. Resolution 2016/17-13 Assessment District #1
- b. Resolution 2016/17-14 Assessment District #2

BOARD ACTION: Secretary Lavallee motioned to approved both resolutions and Director Seaman second the motion. Vote was 4-0-0-1, with Chair Stricklin, Vice-Chair Higgins, Secretary Lavallee and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were no abstentions or nays. Director De Young had not arrived yet so was classified as absent.

3. CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT'S SPRING CONFERENCE

Director Seaman asked General Manager Grace if he had a sense of whether the entire Board would need attend. General Manager Grace replied that it is too early yet to know. The District has submitted two awards for consideration: Rich Friel and the Stingray Booster Club under the classification of Individual Volunteers and Community Groups. Next year the District will have several more entries. Director Seaman asked if we were in contention for the awards what was the plan regarding the volunteers regarding the conference. General Manager Grace replied that we usually pick up their meals. What we need currently is to find out which Board member are attending, we don't necessarily need that tonight, we can discuss at the next meeting. Director Seaman stated he could only attend one day but nothing was firm yet. Several of the Director are considering attending and will make a final decision in April. General Manager Grace said the hotel availability situation is currently unknown.

4. CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, NOMINATION FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SEAT C

General Manager Grace inquired if there was any interest in this position from the Board. Director Seaman stated the incumbent is a long time manager of many districts typically in small communities. The incumbent is also a consultant and seems to have a lock on the position. Secretary Lavallee would

support anyone interested but is not available to run.

5. CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, LEGISLATIVE DAYS, MAY 16-17, 2017

General Manager stated the Legislative Days happen every year and both he and Director Seaman participate every year. Director Seaman strongly suggested that since we are on the cusp of a park bond everyone should attend. Chair Stricklin wants to attend. Secretary Lavallee is not attending. General Manager Grace will ask Director De Young if she wishes to attend when he contacts her.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

General Manager Grace gave a pool update. The pool was supposed to be finished with a primary coat today or tomorrow. They typically do three coats. It is really interesting to watch. They spray with fiberglass imbedded in the resin. They are doing a great job and the weather window is going to help immensely. Next week they will be working with the tile and the mortar between the coping tiles to make them watertight. That work can be done in the rain. Director Seaman had questions regarding anchor bolts to attach the log roll. General Manager Grace said the company suggested not using anchor bolts and he doesn't think it will be an issue as there are a lot of other places to hang things on.

Supervisor Delfer wanted General Manager Grace to let the Board know that Egg-o-Rama was coming and he could use their help if they are available. Director Seaman excused himself due to that day being his anniversary.

The Finance Committee needs to meet and an email will be sent to those involved. The Security Committee is looking at 03/29/17 at 6:00pm for a meeting. Secretary Lavallee can't make that night and suggested 03/30/17 at 5:30pm. General Manager Grace will check with the Police Chief and confirm.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There are several residents interested in getting involved with the dog park at Bohemian. Chair Stricklin, along with a few other people, have set up a Go Fund Me account to raise fund for a tree in honor of Marion Issacs.

8. DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

Director Seaman had a question regarding the SSWD gardening class, he said it was news to him and if it was news to him then it probably did not get a lot of exposure. However he as more concerned with the proposal to increase the scope of SSWD work and the fact the water district voted it down. He wished he would have known and would have been present. General Manager Grace stated he was there and it looked like it blindsided the staff at SSWD. They denied the additional funds due to the budget.

Secretary Lavallee expressed an interest in seeing the new lighting in the hall but since the gardening class was being help she would wait until next meeting. Director Seaman stated the hall is close to being done. General Manager Grace is working with Tim Cahill and Leo McElroy and they are talking about June 2nd and doing a "Welcome to Howe Theater" with two 15 minute plays with wine and cheese. Director Seaman had stated the long term he thinks the District needs a group to organize the events taking place in the theater. He would like to establish an Art Committee. Secretary Lavallee wondered if we could let it be known that the name of the theater is for sale. General Manager Grace suggested maybe the name for theater and the stage both could be for sale. Since the current group of people that General Manager Grace is working with does not have any marketing skills, Director Seaman suggested getting in contact with the Greater Arden Chamber of Commerce. Promoting business is part of their job. Chair Stricklin wondered if we should change the name of the building but it was decided it has too much history behind the name.

Vice Chair Higgins announced that May 4th at 5:30, Artistic Edge is honoring the Long Term Businesses on Fulton Avenue. That would be a perfect day for General Manager Grace to be there to talk about the rollout of the theater, however it is the same night as the Seely Park Advisory Committee Meeting. General Manager Grace said the Park Advisory Committee meeting could be changed to May 3rd.

Director Seaman asked that as long as we were talking regarding park advisory meeting he wanted to know if General Manager Grace had called Congressman Kevin McCarthy. General Manager Grace replied he had but had not received a response. Director Seaman suggested emailing Asael and Director Seaman. We could invite the congressman to the roll out. Vice Chair Higgins suggested the wedding industry be involved. General Manager Grace informed the Board that the church which rents the hall on Sundays had donated \$2,500.00 towards the drapes in the hall.

Vice Chair Higgins walked through Seely Park and everything was beautiful and green but that the lawn needs mowing. General Manager Grace said they are trying to mow before it rains but that the ground has been too soft to mow. The Artistic Edge is having an anniversary celebration on May 4th. The Fulton Avenue Car Show has been moved to the 1st Saturday in October due to the resurfacing of Fulton Avenue.

Director Seaman attended a presentation from a “POP” police officer handling the homeless situation. Sacramento Sheriff is one of 6 departments nationwide to receive a grant to work on the homeless problem. The Sheriff has 10 hot spots in the county and one of them is here in the Arden area. He attended the CPRS Conference and though they were the better set of displays he has seen in a long time. The log roll caught their attention. The skate parks people were also very interesting. Integrate the skate park concept with another item. For instance a dance floor and concert shell. Do something that is multi use that way you get more of a payoff. The new category of playground equipment is playground equipment for adults. While the adults are sitting around the playgrounds watching their kids they can sit on pieces of equipment and exercise. This is especially good for those who can’t afford a gym membership. Lastly, since the last Board Meeting, Officer Magaziner has revealed himself on Next Door and that has created a very interesting set of thread discussions. It has made a connection with the community and he hopes that this won’t be the last time it happens. One of those threads was regarding the shabby condition of the park but General Manager Grace did some damage control by explaining the effect of the weather and access to the park.

Vice Chair Higgins said the wedding industry is booked for this year but is not after that. General Manager Grace said March 6, 2018 from 4:00 pm – 10 p.m. would be good. It was scheduled and Vice Chair Higgins said she would get the “Venue Vixens” to come and their business is to refer venues to brides.

Director De Young stated she appreciated General Manger Grace’s responses to the comments on Next Door. She said it was depressing because of the behavior of our neighbors. All of a sudden we have great weather and everyone is out but we have not had a chance to clean the parks because of the weather. Director De Young also knows the drama teacher and Encina High School and spoke to her recently and found out she is no longer the drama teacher. They are doing wonderful thing at Encina that are relevant to our community. Supposedly they are having a recital here in the middle of April. They are doing a documentary on their Peer mentoring program which has dropped the number of expulsions and increased the graduation rate. She would like the Board to watch and will get them link and send to General Manager Grace. She wondered if the seniors were working the Egg-O-Rama this year and General Manager Grace told her they were not. She said she was volunteering and would get together With Supervisor Delfer and give him suggestions regarding last year’s activity.

9. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. Legislative Report –

Director Seaman working with Assemblyman Cooley and area managers regarding the two park bonds, General Manger Grace with Terri Smith and Steve Fraher to set a date. Director Seaman stated it was really important that we get Senator Pan’s people and Congressman McCarthy’s people involved. One of Senator Pan’s staffers, Chris was at the mixer the other day. Chris lives in the Arcade community and said he would contact Director Seaman and when he does he will forward it to General Manager Grace. As soon as General Manager Grace has information from the general manager’s meeting they will make it a big deal and get as many people there.

b. CSDA e-News, Commissioner Suggests Sunset Date for Special Districts

c. Mutual Assistance Network, March Calendar and Program Descriptions

d. 18th Annual Public Safety & Community Appreciation Luncheon

e. Flyer – Egg-O-Rama & Pancake Breakfast

f. Flyer – TALC Creek Cleanup

CLOSED SESSION - NONE

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Kathleen Stricklin, Chair
Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____

Laura Lavallee, Secretary
Board of Directors