



LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018

ROBERT LIVERMORE COMMUNITY CENTER
4444 EAST AVENUE, LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Directors Furst, Palajac, Pierpont, Wilson and Chair Faltings
DIRECTORS ABSENT: None.
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia Lord, Allie Ikeda, Stacey Kenison, Jeffrey Schneider,
Linda VanBuskirk, Rod Attebery

1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Faltings called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. All Directors were present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3. PRESENTATION

3.1 LARPD CELEBRATES JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

The Board received a presentation entitled “July is Park and Recreation Month” by Marketing and Operations Supervisor Stacey Kenison and Department Manager of Recreation Alexandra Ikeda.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 BOARD MINUTES

4.1.1 Special Meeting of June 16, 2018

4.1.2 Special Meeting of June 29, 2018

4.1.3 Regular Meeting of July 11, 2018

Director Furst requested that the Minutes of the July 11, 2018 Board meeting be pulled. He requested clarification to the dates on which the Little League Intermediate World Series games would be televised. Only the Final Playoff games on Saturday, August 4th and Sunday, August 5th will be televised, not the entire series.

Chair Faltings requested that in the same set of Minutes at page 4, item 3, regarding the Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social, the last sentence should read, “The theme of the doll show put on by the Love-A-Doll and Golden Hills Doll Clubs will be “Toy Land.””

4.2 COMMUNICATIONS

None.

Moved by Director Furst, seconded by Director Wilson, approved the Consent Agenda, with the requested corrections to the Minutes of July 11, 2018, by the following unanimous voice vote:

AYES: *Wilson, Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, and Chair Faltings*
NOES: *None*
ABSTENTIONS: *None*
ABSENT: *None*

5. CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

- 5.1 Resolution No. 2636, declaring July 2018 as “Parks Make Life Better! ®” Month
- 5.2 Resolution No. 2637, approving a single modification to the Salary and Benefits Resolution for FY 2018-19 for the position of Assistant to the General Manager.

Director Furst requested that Item 5.2 be pulled for discussion. Administrative Services Manager Jeffrey Schneider explained that the item is a single adjustment to the Salary Schedule that staff is recommending for Board approval in order to maintain the internal equity established between salaries reflected in the Compensation Study, which should have been adjusted in line with the Accounting Supervisor role, but had been missed. The correction was previously reviewed with the Personnel Commission and the Personnel Committee, where both bodies recommended that the Board approve the adjustment. The fiscal impact is estimated to be \$5,429, and can be accommodated in the budget.

Moved by Director Palajac, seconded by Director Pierpont, approved the Consent Agenda Resolutions, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: *Wilson, Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, and Chair Faltings*
NOES: *None*
ABSTENTIONS: *None*
ABSENT: *None*

6. BIDS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 APPOINTMENT OF NEW GENERAL MANAGER

Chair Faltings introduced to the Board, District and public, Mr. Mathew Fuzie, LARPD’s new General Manager. She asked District Legal Counsel, Rod Attebery, to explain the hiring process. Mr. Attebery explained the process which the District undertook to find and recruit its new General Manager. As a result of the recruitment and interview process, the Board directed consultant Bob Murray &

Associates and the District’s legal counsel to prepare an employment contract. Mr. Attebery reported that an employment contract, approved as to form by legal counsel, and executed by Mr. Fuzie had been presented to the Board for its consideration. Mr. Mathew Fuzie addressed the Board regarding the hiring process and presented his professional background in detail.

Moved by Director Furst, seconded by Director Wilson, approved the appointment of Mathew Fuzie as LARPD’s General Manager, and authorized entering into an employment contract with Mr. Fuzie, by the following unanimous voice vote:

AYES: *Wilson, Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, and Chair Faltings*
NOES: *None*
ABSTENTIONS: *None*
ABSENT: *None*

8.2 ARROYO DEL VALLE BRIDGE NAMING PROPOSAL

Laura Mercier, Executive Director of Tri-Valley Conservancy (TVC) reported on the history of project from 2009 to present, initiated by LARPD, and in conjunction with many partners and stakeholders as outlined in the staff report. She gave a presentation to update the Board on the Juan Batista de Anza Historic Trail/Shadow Cliffs to Del Valle Regional Trail: Arroyo del Valle Bridge which highlighted the timeline, challenges encountered, cost including pledges received, and TVC’s request for naming rights of the bridge. A discussion on the history of Alameda County Supervisor Edward R. Campbell ensued. He was instrumental in creating the South Livermore Plan, along with area developers and property owners. Ms. Mercier stated that this 135-foot bridge will transform a 2.5-mile trail into a 44-mile trail. This proposal was presented to the Facilities Committee on July 17, 2018. TVC along with the Facilities Committee recommended the Board consider approving the naming proposal to name the bridge the “Edward R. Campbell Bridge.”

Directors Furst and Wilson expressed support of the naming proposal. In response to Director Wilson’s request for a plaque containing the bridge’s history, Chair Faltings directed staff to include the item on a future agenda.

Moved by Director Wilson, seconded by Chair Faltings, adopted Resolution No. 2638, approving the naming proposal from Tri-Valley Conservancy to name the Arroyo del Valle Bridge the “Edward R. Campbell Bridge”, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: *Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, Wilson, and Chair Faltings*
NOES: *None*
ABSTENTIONS: *None*
ABSENT: *None*

8.3 ESTABLISHING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT

Administrative Services Manager Jeffrey Schneider presented the staff report and stated the Appropriations Limit is calculated annually and is based upon data provided to the District by the State. Staff recommends approval of the FY 18-19 Appropriations Limit of \$22,035,595.

Moved by Director Palajac, seconded by Director Furst, adopted Resolution No. 2639, establishing the FY 2018-19 Annual Appropriations Limit at \$22,035,595, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: *Pierpont, Palajac, Wilson, Furst, and Chair Faltings*
NOES: *None*
ABSTENTIONS: *None*
ABSENT: *None*

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 1) Director Wilson reported on the July 12, 2018 Personnel Committee meeting. Topics discussed were an adjustment to the Salary Schedule for the Assistant to the General Manager position, and the District's performance review process. Chair Faltings suggested that in addition to the performance evaluation samples provided in the minutes, that staff contact the California Association of Recreation and Park Districts for additional applicable samples.
- 2) Director Furst reported that he attended the California Special Districts Association Leadership Academy. He will be able to supply the Board and staff with three additional evaluation forms.
- 3) Director Pierpont reported on the July 25, 2018 Program Committee meeting. Topics discussed were the Senior Services program, and an update on the District's website.

10. **MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DIRECTORS**

- 1) Director Palajac inquired on the latest status on the Sycamore Grove Park closure due to construction and the recent fire. AGM Lord reported that the park was closed due to the fire, but the area has been cleared. The Nature Camp program has been resumed. Signs have been posted regarding areas that remain closed due to construction of the trail.
- 2) Director Wilson asked for an update on the approximate sections of the main trail at Sycamore Grove Park that are open to the public.
- 3) Director Wilson asked for an update on the starting and ending dates for the Little League Intermediate World Series.
- 4) Chair Faltings announced that the 2nd Sunday in August (August 12th) will be the next annual Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social at Ravenswood Historic Site, from noon to 4 p.m.

11. **MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE ACTING GENERAL MANAGER**

AGM Lord made the following announcements:

- 1) The Little League World Series will be held at Max Baer Park with games beginning Sunday, July 29th through final playoffs on August 5th.
- 2) LARPD will be hosting a Parents Night Out on Friday, July 27 between 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the RLCC Aquatic Center.
- 3) There are still some weeknight camp sites available at Camp Shelly at South Lake Tahoe. The season will be winding down early this year (August 12th) to begin construction of the restroom facility.
- 4) The Livermore Chamber of Commerce will feature a large display during the month of July in honor of Parks and Recreation Month highlighting LARPD's programs and facilities.


12. **ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

APPROVED,



Maryalice Summers Faltings
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Mathew Fuzie
General Manager and
Ex-officio Clerk to the Board of Directors