



**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION**

**November 18, 2015 at 5:30 P.M.**

**North Tahoe Event Center**

**8318 North Lake Boulevard**

**Kings Beach, CA 96143**

**I. Establish Quorum/Call to Order**

Chairman Teran called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Commissioners Teran, Pepin, and Chorey were present comprising a quorum. Alternate Commissioner Mourelatos and Commissioner Righellis arrived at 6:20 p.m. Commissioner McDermott was not in attendance. Director Ferrell of the Board's Recreation and Parks Committee was present for the meeting until 6:30 p.m. Director Daniels was not in attendance.

**II. Public Comment**

IT and Public Information Administrator Emmerich invited the Commissioners to the dedication scheduled for the new base facilities tentatively scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> (now 12/9 at 3 p.m.). No other discussion. Chairman Teran closed Public Comment.

**III. Approve Minutes of September 16, 2015 and October 21, 2015 Commission Meetings**

After review, upon motion by Director Pepin and second by Director Chorey, the minutes of September 16<sup>th</sup> and October 21<sup>st</sup> were approved unanimously (4-0) with Commissioners Righellis and McDermott absent.

**IV. Review Recreation and Parks Commission By-Laws**

After discussion, this item was tabled until the District's Strategic Plan is completed. The motion to table was made by Alternate Commissioner Mourelatos and seconded by Commissioner Chorey. The motion carried to table a review of the by-laws by a unanimous vote (4-0) with Commissioner McDermott absent.

**V. Strategic Plan Update**

General Manager Whitelaw updated the Commission on the Strategic Plan. The Commissioners discussed recreation and parks funding, and expressed frustration over the funding being unsecured as of this time. The following motions were made related to the Strategic Plan's goal to fund the recreation and parks department.

**MOTION: Alternate Commissioner Mourelatos moved that if no decision is made by the Board of Directors at the next meeting scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> to fund recreation, the Commission will suspend its services in protest of the Board's unwillingness to commit funds to the Recreation**

**and Parks Department, worthy of the Commission to oversee. Upon second by Commissioner Pepin, and further discussion, the motion carried unanimously (5-0) with Commissioner McDermott absent.**

A second motion was made regarding recreation and parks department funding.

**MOTION: Alternate Commissioner Mourelatos moved that the Commission urge the Board of Directors to make a decision at the next Strategic Planning meeting to fund the Recreation and Parks Department in the amount of \$825,000 through a shift in property taxes, in order to meet the goals set forth in the Strategic Plan. Upon second by Commissioner Chorey, the motion carried unanimously (5-0) with Commissioner McDermott absent.**

**VI. Discussion of Commission Chairperson Successor**

This item was not discussed as the method for succession of the chairperson is provided for in the by-laws.

**VII. Park and Facilities Department Update**

Interim Recreation and Parks Commissioner Long provided the update given to the Board of Directors at its November 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. She specifically noted a fundraiser for the dog park, Santa Paws, scheduled for Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Event Center from noon to 3 p.m. and advised that Dog Day in the Park President Pam Berger had requested volunteers for the event. She advised that there are rounds of firewood in the regional park which the District would like to sell, noting that the boy scouts could help with the sales. In an update about the Adventure Course, Interim Park and Facilities Manager Long advised that the District is facilitating the permitting process for the concession with Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

**VIII. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.