

**MINUTES OF THE  
NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION  
North Tahoe Event Center  
8318 North Lake Boulevard, Kings Beach, CA  
April 28, 2010**

**A. CALL TO ORDER - ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Commissioner Gaines called the meeting to order at 5:39 P.M. Present were Commissioners Gaines, Hartsfield, Lua, and Carter. A quorum was established.

Also present were Director Bergmann, Parks and Facilities Manager Long, Board and Records Secretary Potts, Executive Assistant Lefrancois, and Recording Secretary Friedman.

**B. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2010 MEETING**

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Lua and passed unanimously, to approve the minutes as presented.**

**C. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Lua, and passed unanimously, to approve the agenda as presented.**

**D. PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no comments on items not on the agenda.

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Park & Facilities Manager's Report/Update**

Park and Facilities Manager Long presented her report and answered questions. She reported on her meeting with Placer County Animal Control regarding dogs on the beach. Placer County is looking for consistency with signage and enforcement. They will launch a publicity campaign to advise the public that state and local ordinances will be enforced.

Park and Facilities Manager Long reported that dredging at Tahoe Vista Recreation Area (TVRA) has been completed, however the area just outside the launch is being measured because it may still be too shallow for large boats. It is expected that TVRA will open, but probably not the launch at Coon Street.

Park and Facilities Manager Long noted a thank-you note from the Department's intern, Jennifer Pomales. The Commission requested that Jennifer is thanked for doing a great job with the Pancake Breakfast and Snowfest Parade. Jennifer may return to North Tahoe Public Utility District as a seasonal employee this summer.

**2. Youth Sailing Program Presentation**

Nick Pullen & Doug Pierini presented their plans for a youth sailing program, and why they believe the Kings Beach State Recreation Area is the most desirable location for this program. They requested that a site to be provided on the beach for the program and a location for a storage rack for the small boats, and a storage facility for sails and equipment. Discussion followed.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Carter, and passed unanimously, to recommend that the North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors direct staff to assist in the facilitation of the Lake Tahoe Youth Sailing Program. Further, to work with Nick Pullen and Doug Pierini as well as appropriate property owners, to institute this program if deemed viable.**

**3. Youth Trust Fund Scholarship Request and Award**

It was noted that Jhaelen Garcia was granted a scholarship via a unanimous e-mail vote.

The application from Nash Owens and supporting documentation was reviewed.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Lua, and passed unanimously, to grant a \$100 scholarship to Nash Owens from the Youth Trust Fund in order for him to attend one week of Boy Scout Camp this summer.**

#### **4. Youth Trust Fund Community Service Requirement**

Executive Assistant Lefrancois recommended that the Commission consider revising the requirement that recipients of a Youth Trust Fund Scholarship provide community service because it is very difficult to track that the condition is being met. Discussion followed. There was consensus that community service be encouraged rather than required, and a form be given to the recipient's parent or sponsoring organization to complete and return to the Commission indicating the type of community service performed. Verbiage on the application will be changed to ask, "How to you plan to meet the Community Service requirement?"

#### **5. Discussion and Input Regarding Rates at District Owned and Operated Facilities**

Parks and Facilities Manager Long and Executive Assistant Lefrancois reviewed the recommended rate schedule, which was included in the Board packets, explaining how the rates were developed, and how booking facilities would be accomplished.

#### **6. Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget Discussion**

The Commissioners considered each of the four items that will be included in the Parks and Facilities Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget, which will be presented to the Board at their May 18th Budget Workshop.

##### **a. Boys & Girls Club**

The Commission supported staff's recommendation to reduce the amount of funding to the Boys and Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe by 20% with the intent of reducing it by an additional 20% annually subject to a review by the Board of Directors of funding and reserve levels in the Parks and Facilities Department each year. The Commission did not wish to cut the funding to the Boys and Girls Club, but recommended that the available funding from Community Facilities District (CFD) 94-1 be utilized to maintain District-owned properties.

##### **b. Little League Field Maintenance**

There was consensus to support staff's recommendation to maintain the field owned by the Catholic church only during the current fiscal year, prior to June 30, 2010 and to encourage Little League to work with the property owner of the Little League field regarding future field maintenance.

##### **c. North Tahoe Regional Park Playground**

There was consensus to support staff's recommendation to use CFD 94-1 reserves to complete the playground project during the upcoming summer season, while continuing to raise funds when possible and research grant opportunities for additional funding in order to reduce the amount to be taken from reserves.

##### **d. Pinedrop Bike Trail**

The Commission supported staff's recommendation to utilize CFD 94-1 reserves for necessary bike trail repairs, with the understanding that the proposed \$25,000 for repairs could be subject to increase as there was consensus that the necessary repairs could be a significant capital expenditure.

### **F. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **1. Grant Award from Tahoe Mountain Resorts Environmental Fund**

Commissioner Carter announced that the Tahoe Mountain Resorts Environmental Fund Grant for the North Tahoe Regional Park Playground has been received. A grant from the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association Chamber Community Fund has also been approved.

#### **2. Pancake Breakfast Funds Raised**

The funds raised for the Youth Trust Fund total \$1,594.42.

### **G. COMMISSION ITEMS**

#### **1. Questions and Answers from Commissioners**

Parks and Facilities Manager Long reported Commissioner Jahnke has stated that she will be missing several meetings. She would reluctantly step down from her position on the Commission if there is someone else to fill the

seat. As her attendance at meetings is often necessary to establish a quorum, the Commissioners felt that it would be advantageous to have consistent participation at the Commission meetings by all members. A recruitment announcement will be developed and published should she decide to resign.

#### **H. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M. The next meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Friedman, Recording Secretary

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