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North Tahoe Public Utility District Recreation and Parks Commission June Meeting Update

(Kings Beach, CA) The North Tahoe Public Utility District Recreation and Parks Commission is an advisory commission to the NTPUD Board of Directors on matters of Recreation and Parks. The Commission is a liaison between the NTPUD Board and the community and consists of five (5) adult members and two (2) student members. One (1) adult seat and two (2) student seats are currently vacant and recruitment is open for those positions. The adult seat was recently left vacant by the resignation of Kristin Mattson. The Commission also administers the Youth Trust Fund which provides scholarship opportunities for recreation activities for children and teens that reside in the District.

The Commission met on Wednesday, June 17, at the North Tahoe Event Center. The agenda and packet is available on the District's website.

Other June Commission Discussions and Actions:

- Heard an update from Park and Facilities Manager Towner on the budget challenges of the Park and Facilities Department. She provided a simplified budget with graphs and charts for the Commissioners which showed a breakdown of expenses and revenues for each of the District's facilities. The Commission was advised that the Board had approved a one-time loan to the Park and Facilities Department from sewer reserves while future funding alternatives are sought.
- The Commission discussed the memo distributed by General Manager Whitelaw which provided information on the background of the Park and Facilities Department including how it came to

be and how it is funded, current funding challenges, examples of questions that might be contained in the needs assessment, recommendations and next steps going forward.

- Park and Facilities Manager Towner provided an update on the projects currently underway in her department. The Boys and Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe picked the movies to be shown at Movie Mondays at Tahoe Vista Recreation Area. The lineup has been shared on social media. The survey for Tahoe Unleashed Dog Park has been completed and Engineering and Operations Manager Stelter will begin redesign of the park to fit in the new location. The sign project is underway.
- Alex Mourelatos, owner of Mourelatos Lakeshore Resort was present to provide input on marketing of the Event Center and facilities in the North Tahoe Regional Park. He feels that the District should work more closely with local lodging partners to put together bids for North Lake Tahoe Resort Association group proposals. He would also like to see the District bring in staff that is more focused on business development. Revenue generation techniques, policies related to North Tahoe Public Utility District facilities and a need for a revenue and capital plan to compliment the needs assessment and budget analysis were also discussed.

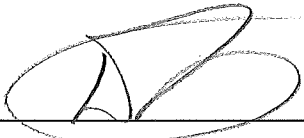
The next meeting of the NTPUD Recreation and Parks Commission will be held on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 with Open Session beginning at 7:00 pm at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach. NTPUD Recreation and Parks Commission meetings are typically held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and open to the public. All those interested in recreation and parks are encouraged to attend.

Information on NTPUD recreation and parks commission meetings, board meetings, including agendas and packets, may be obtained on the District's website, www.ntpud.org. For specific information on District Park facilities visit www.norhtahoe parks.com and for information on the North Tahoe Event Center, visit www.norhtahoe events.com.

The North Tahoe Public Utility District provides sewer and water service to the residents of Kings Beach, Tahoe Vista, Carnelian Bay, Cedar Flat and Agate Bay. The North Tahoe Regional Park, Tahoe Vista Recreation Area and Boat Launch and North Tahoe Event Center are owned and operated by the District and provide recreation opportunities to residents and visitors.

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Duane Whitelaw, General Manager