



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

**June 17, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.**

**North Tahoe Event Center  
8318 North Lake Boulevard  
Kings Beach, CA 96143**

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Teran called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Commissioners Teran, Pepin, and Righellis were present comprising a quorum. Commissioner McDermott was not in attendance. Director Ferrell was not available for the meeting. Director Daniels was present to represent the District Board's Recreation and Parks Committee.

District staff present included Park and Facilities Manager Towner, and Board Secretary Potts.

Prior to establishing a quorum, a discussion was held with attendees, Dan Daniels, Alex Mourelatos, and Nathan Chorey.

**II. Public Forum**

No public forum.

Prior to the meeting being called to order, a discussion was held by those in attendance while waiting for a quorum regarding public awareness of the needs of the recreation department. Additional ways to generate revenue were also discussed. The discussion and brainstorming produced the following ideas for discussion:

- The need for \$570,000 annually for depreciation
- Kristin Pepin recommended selling amenities at the regional park.
- Consideration of an offer regarding ownership of Sandy Beach
- Public Outreach advising what specific amenities cost, i.e. maintenance and operations of existing ball fields, parking lots, par course, beaches versus revenues generated
- Alex Mourelatos advised about the availability of TOT funds for the needs assessment and facilitated public outreach meetings
- Mr. Mourelatos also recommended marketing of all assets individually, i.e. tennis courts, ball fields, beach facilities, the scout camp and log cabin.
- A recommendation was made for a needs assessment for each facility specifically for upcoming five to ten years
- A recommendation was made for an operations plan for each facility
- A revenue plan for each facility was also recommended
- Provide marketing funding for NTBA to market on the department's behalf
- Celebrate the Park

- Look outside for marketing assistance
- Bid for groups with lodging providers for NTEC Groups
- Signage for Iron Ranger Parking Enforcement at Regional Park

**III. Approve minutes from Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting held on May 20, 2015**

The meeting minutes were discussed briefly and approved by the following action.

**MOTION: Commissioner Pepin moved to approve the minutes of May 20, 2015. Upon second by Commissioner Righellis, the motion carried unanimously (3-0) with Commissioner McDermott not in attendance.**

**IV. Recreation and Parks Commission Budget**

Park and Facilities Manager Towner presented a simplified budget for the Commission who had requested that a straight forward version of the department's budget be created in order to present it to the public. The Commissioners were pleased with the power point program which compared the future budget to current year. She advised the Commission that the Board had approved a one-time loan to the department from sewer reserves while future funding could be sought from the community.

**V. Building the Story**

Director Daniels provided a history of the CFD 94-1 which provides funding for recreation after the District stopped utilizing tax funding for the department. In the early 90s, the State of California began utilizing Special District Funding, and she told the story of how the District was able to save the local property taxes by utilizing them for Sewer only in compliance with Porter Cologne. She stated that it is possible that there will be a change to this restriction and advised that the District is seeking opinions from the County and State about utilizing tax funds for the Park and Facilities Department.

Needs of the Park and Facilities Department were discussed with a Needs Assessment to be the next step in the process.

**VI. Park and Facilities Report**

Park and Facilities Manager Towner presented her report which was brought to the Board of Directors at their June 9th meeting.

**VII. Projects Underway**

Park and Facilities Manager Towner briefed the Commission on departmental projects.

- Movies in the Park
- Tahoe Unleashed Dog Park
- Regional Park Signage Project
- Way Finding Sign at Tahoe Vista Recreation Area
- Adventure Course
- Community Garden
- Kings Beach After 8

- Summer Recreation Programs
- Field #2 “Michael Davis Jr. Field”

#### **VIII. Future Agenda Items**

The following items were discussed for future Commission agendas:

- Friends of the Park Fund (i.e. King of Recreation suggested by Alex Mourelatos)
- Youth Trust Fund
- SWOT for Commission
- Acquisition of park land or beach properties
- Buoy Fields
- Stand-Up Paddleboard Storage under TVRA Walkway

#### **IX. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.