

**MINUTES OF THE
NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
North Tahoe Event Center
8318 North Lake Boulevard, Kings Beach, CA
May 26, 2010**

A. CALL TO ORDER - ESTABLISH QUORUM

Commissioner Gaines called the meeting to order at 5:35 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, and Recording Secretary Friedman.

B. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 28, 2010 MEETING

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Hartsfield, seconded by Commissioner Gaines, and passed unanimously, to approve the minutes as amended.

C. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

D. PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present to address the Commission on items not on the agenda.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Park & Facilities Manager's Report/Update

Parks and Facilities Manager Long presented her written report. She reported on a recent meeting with Little League. Parks and Facilities Manager stated the Tahoe Vista Recreation Boat Launch will be open soon, and she is working with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) and the Tahoe Resource Conservation District regarding staffing for invasive species inspections.

Parks and Facilities Manager Long reported that at the recent Budget Workshop, the North Lake Tahoe Public Utility District Board agreed to budget \$50,000 in Fiscal Year 2010-2011 toward construction of the playground. The Request for Proposals is ready to be distributed, pending final approval from General Manager Aaron.

2. Friends of the Park Fund Program Annual Giving Discussion

This item was tabled for an upcoming Recreation and Parks Commission meeting.

3. Request from Local 4-H Club for Use of North Tahoe Regional Park

Joanne Paolillo of the Tahoe Rim Riders reviewed her request for use of the Regional Park. She asked that up to four (4) horses at a time be permitted to use areas of the North Tahoe Regional Park for the organization's horseback riding program. David Ferrari spoke in favor of the program. Discussion followed.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Hartsfield, seconded by Commissioner Carter, and passed unanimously, to have staff investigate the feasibility of allowing the 4-H Club to utilize areas of the North Tahoe Regional Park, potential impacts to other park uses, scheduling and

appropriate notification, and to bring a recommendation back to the Recreation and Parks Commission for consideration.

4. Youth Trust Fund Scholarship Application Consideration

North Tahoe Middle School student Omar Vargas has been accepted into the Junior Statesmen summer school program at Princeton University and is requesting a \$100 scholarship to attend.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Hartsfield, seconded by Commissioner Gaines, and passed unanimously, to approve a \$100 scholarship to Omar Vargas, contingent upon him receiving full funding to be administered by the North Tahoe Middle School to attend the program and the District's receipt of a letter of recommendation from a reference supporting Vargas' request.

Several members of Brownie Troop 214 submitted Scholarship Applications to visit the Greenhorn Creek Dude Ranch.

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Lua, and passed unanimously, to approve \$100 scholarships to Josii Johnson, Sarah Shoberg, Kestrel Sura, Esmerelda Ramirez, Lia Berti, Yve Meghan Rutter, and April Heppner for a total of \$700; with the caveat if the program takes place in June, 2011, the distribution of funds will be postponed until that time.

5. Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation Quarterly Statements

The financial statements for the Friends of the Park and Disc Golf Funds were reviewed.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Youth Sailing Program Update

Parks and Facilities Manager Long is continuing to work with Nick Pullen & Doug Pierini to facilitate this program. The biggest obstacle faced is placement of the necessary enclosed storage area.

2. Youth Trust Fund Community Service Requirement Language

ACTION: It was moved by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Lua, and passed unanimously to approve the revised language for the Community Service Requirement as presented.

G. COMMISSION ITEMS

1. Commissioner Comments

Parks and Facilities Manager Long reported that Commissioner Jahnke has submitted a letter of resignation from the Commission, and recruitment for a replacement will begin.

Parks and Facilities Manager Long reported the Board of Directors of the North Tahoe Public Utility District and Tahoe City Public Utility District met together recently. Although many of the topics they discussed did not relate to recreation, there was consideration given to how recreational facility maintenance can be funded through the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association (NLTRA) and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). Director Bergmann encouraged everyone to attend the June 1 NLTRA meeting, where reorganization of that Association will be considered.

Parks and Facilities Manager Long updated the Commission on the status of the North Tahoe Regional Bike Trail. She reported the District's agreement with the consultants, EDAW, has been cancelled and the California Tahoe Conservancy (CTC) will take the lead on obtaining the required environmental

documents to proceed with the trail. The North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors expressed interest in participating in the construction of the trail in the future.

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Recreation and Parks Commission will be held on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Friedman, Recording Secretary
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