

**ITEM: CONSENT AGENDA – 1 A**  
**MINUTES**  
**Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District**  
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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT was held July 18, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Chair Lavallee

**Board Members Present**

Laura Lavallee, Chair  
Jessica Dias, Vice Chair  
Kathleen Stricklin, Secretary  
Teresa Higgins, Director – Arrived at 6:40pm  
Michael Seaman, Director

**Staff Members Present**

Michael Grace, General Manager  
Becky McDaniel, Supt. of Recreation  
Linda Montijo, Supt. of Administration

**Visitors:**

Rich Friel – Community Member  
Gregg Melton – Melton Design Group  
Alan Owen – Park Maintenance Manager, Fulton-El Camino  
Olga Garzon – Melton Design Group  
Skip Campbell – Community Member

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

None

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**BOARD ACTION: APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:** Director Seaman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Director Stricklin seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1-0 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin and Director Seaman. Director Higgins was absent. There were no Nays or Abstentions.

**2. GRANT APPLICATION FOR BOHEMIAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Melton Design Group presented a preliminary design for the park improvements and new community center and Bohemian Park for comments from the Board before submitting the Grant Request. After some discussion, the general consensus was to place the community center (if feasible) in a location that results in both the duplex and four-plex not being torn down, try to reduce costs in the park improvements and community center in order to include the acquisition costs of the four-plex into the grant proposal. By not having to tear down the duplex and four-plex, they can generate money toward the upkeep of the community center and park maintenance. Gregg Melton reminded the Board that they needed to bring on a health partner (such as Kaiser, Dignity Health or Sutter Medical) into this project so they can be included in the grant paperwork that will be turned in.. Chair Lavallee made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019/20-1, Approving the Application for Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program Grant Funds with Vice Chair Dias seconding the motion. Resolution was adopted by a vote of 5-0-0-0 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin, Director Higgins and Director Seaman voting Aye. There were no Nays, Absences or Abstentions.

**3. RESTRICTING ACCESS TO CHICKEN RANCH SLOUGH**

In discussing the request to restrict access to a portion of Chicken Ranch Slough, it was realized that the primary problem is the off-leash dog problem. We need to enforce the leash law to help address this problem. There were several Board members with reservations regarding the wording of the current posted signs. Director Seaman felt strongly that an interpretative area needs to be set up to teach community members about the wildlife in the creek area. Director Stricklin made a motion to direct staff along with Rich Friel to come together to reword the current signs making them less prohibitive per the Board's Direction. Director Seaman seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0-0-0 with Chair Lavallee, Vice Chair Dias, Secretary Stricklin, Director Higgins and Director Seaman voting

Aye. There were no Nays, Absences or Abstentions.

#### **4.2019-20 FINAL BUDGET WORKSHOP**

The General Manager reviewed the non-discretionary costs that the district is looking at for 2019-2020 as well as the discretionary costs that could result if we receive the Prop 68 funds. The district has not yet received the final numbers from Sacramento County, so it is a bit difficult to give final numbers. There are two projects that need to be completed in this fiscal year and those are the Cottage Restrooms as well the bridge in Cottage Park. The Board directed General Manager Grace to list the grant Money in the budget in a way that gave him the greatest flexibility.

#### **5.GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager Grace reported that he had been in contact with Linda Fowler from Twin Rivers who referred him to Mr. Martinez who was on vacation for the next month.

#### **6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No committee met.

#### **7. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

- Director Higgins – reported sitting down with the swim team and the synchro team and received feedback as to what they would like for next year. They would like the dead trees by the pool removed and another coach for each team. She thanked everyone for the memorial for Marissa saying it was wonderful and that the family really appreciated that.
- Vice Chair Dias – Thanked the staff for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities, it was well attended. She attended the CSDA Board Member Training in Napa and found it very good with lots of information.
- Chair Lavallee – Also attended Marissa's memorial and it was lovely. She saw the synchro team in action for the first time and was really impressed. They reflect well on the park district.
- Director Seaman – Attended the Empower Park Meeting and was impressed. He gave kudos to staff for the Refugee swimming program. He also attended the CARPD board meeting and informed the Board that dues for CARPD are coming out soon and that they have decided to back to Tahoe for the annual meeting again next year. He went to the Greater Arden Chamber of Commerce mixer and feels we have an opportunity to raise our visibility with them. It will be CSDA 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary next September and wonders if there are any events going on. He is concerned with the per capita program and feels the General Manager should complain to the state parks and cc our legislators. Reported that everyone on social media is complaining about the trash and the homelessness problem. He commended the General Manager for taking it on but thinks that perhaps the Park Police can take to "Next Door" and explain how they are dealing with these problems.
- Secretary Stricklin – Asked when the next meeting for the Bohemian Park was. General Manager Grace informed her that it was sometime between the 29<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> of this month. She thinks the play features going into the Empower Park playground are going to very cool.

#### **12. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Legislative Report
- B. Marissa Higgins Memorial Dedication Ceremony Program -attached separately
- C. Dive-in Movie Night at Cottage - Flyer

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Montijo Superintendent of Administration

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Laura Lavallee, Chair  
Board of Directors

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kathleen Stricklin, Secretary  
Board of Directors