

ITEM: CONSENT AGENDA – 4 A

**FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 19, 2023 – 6:30 PM
MINUTES
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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FULTON-EL CAMINO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT held January 19, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Higgins at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present:

Teresa Higgin, Chair - Present

Jessica Dias, Vice Chair - Present

Laura Lavallee, Secretary – Present

Michael Seaman, Director - Present

Kathy Stricklin, Director – Present

Staff Members present

Emily Ballus

Linda Montijo

David Price

Jaden Delfer

Jim Brown

Staff Members present via Zoom

Becky Mc Daniel

Visitors Present

Ken Cooley

Dane Wadlé – SLDF

Tom Nielson

Jennifer Harris

Guest Via Zoom

Amy Wessels Sgraves

William Dunphy

VISITOR COMMENTS

Tom Nielson – Appreciates the agenda on the website, suggests the whole board packet is put on the website and the zoom screen. It helps people follow along with the agenda.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Minutes of the December 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Total Payroll, Supplies, and Revenue Summary Graph Year to Date
- c. Program Revenue and Refund Report for December 2022
- d. Payroll Report for December 2022
- e. Claims for December 2022
- f. Revolving Fund Report for December 2022
- g. Services and Supplies Summary Report as of December 2022
- h. Monthly Department Breakdown for December 2022
- i. Parks, Recreation, Facility Rentals, and Security Report December 2022
- j. Resolution 2022/23-14 of Board of Directors of The Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District Approving the Continued Use of Teleconferencing/Remote Meetings Pursuant To the Provisions of California Assembly Bill 361
Board to approve continuing use of teleconference board meetings. Resolution must

be approved monthly to be in effect.

Director Lavallee made a motion to accept the Consent Items, Director Seaman seconded the motion. Motioned passed on a 5-0-0-0 vote with Director Higgins absent.

5.1 CSDA Legislator of the Year Award to Assemblymember Ken Cooley

Former Assemblymember Ken Cooley was presented the 2022 California Legislature of The Year Award by Dane Wadlé of the California Special Districts Association (CSDA). Assemblymember Cooley was instrumental in awarding the District a grant of \$4 million to upgrade Bohemian Park.

6.1 Approve Audit Service Agreement

Director Dias made a motion to approve the Audit Service Agreement with Larry Bain to audit Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022, Director Seaman seconded the motion. Agreement approved by a vote of 5-0-0-0.

6.2 Approve Exploration of a General Obligation Bond

The Personnel and Finance Committee met on January 19, 2023, and heard a presentation by Jon Isom of Isom Associates on General Bond Obligations (GOB). Chair Higgins reported on the presentation advising the Board that the first step for determining whether or not to place a General Bond Obligation on an upcoming ballot would be to conduct a community survey. Chair Higgins reminded the Board that Isom Assoc. conducted such a survey for the District in March 2020 which proved favorable for a GOB. However, the Board decided not to move forward with the ballot initiative due to the unknown impact the COVID-19 pandemic may have. Chair Higgins indicated the Personnel and Finance Committee supported contracting with Isom Assoc. to conduct a new community survey to determine the public's current opinion of a GOB.

Director Seaman indicated he is in support of conducting the survey and reminded the Board that he has requested that the board consider going out for a bond in several board meetings. Director Dias stated that a bond is a good way to help the District pay for improvements needed over time. Director Lavallee made a motion to approve Isom Assoc. conducting a survey and Director Stricklin seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a 5-0-0-0 vote.

7.1 General Manager's Report

San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD) provided the District with a diagram showing the easement opportunities between the SJUSD and FEC on the proposed Kathryn Johnson Middle School site. Director Seaman indicated his concerned for appropriate vehicle access to the nature area. Director Seaman further commented that the school district cannot build in the flood plain and the proposed soccer field fence appears to encroach on the 200-year flood plain. He requested more information on will the easement allow for pavement or decomposed granite, and are there terms or conditions to the easement? The map provided is a good starting point but much discussion needs to take place to finalize any agreements. Director Stricklin questioned the fence line location and whether or not SJUSD plans to level and provide support to that hillside so that it does not erode. Director Seaman recommended pursuing a SJUSD Board-FEC Board joint committee to discuss policy issues.

General Manager Ballus reported that the District was a County emergency shelter for homeless individuals displaced from the Sacramento River due to the atmospheric river storms in early January. The event operated smoothly and was a good learning experience for staff.

Park Manager Price reported on tree damages caused by the atmospheric storms. He indicated nine trees were damaged that will require professional tree removal services. Director Seaman asked whether the 9 trees included the ones that fell in the Creekside Nature Area and staff replied they did not.

General Manager Ballus advised that the Seely Splash Pad motors cannot be repaired so staff is investigating new motor purchase and installation pricing.

Recreation Supervisor Jaden Delfer reported that the Crab Feed is postponed indefinitely due to the high cost of crab. To replace this event, the District is holding a 70's dance party in partnership with Sacramento Children's Theater in March. This event will be a fundraiser for Friends of FEC. Auditions will be held on January 29.

Chief Brown reported that the police department is recruiting for two officers and two community service officers (CSO).

8. Committee Reports

Standing Committees:

- Personnel and Finance: Chair Higgins reported that the Personnel & Finance Committee met and saw presentations on General Bond Obligations by Isom Associates, budgeting software by GovInvest, and liability claims by CAPRI.
- Ad Hoc Committee- Bohemian Park Project: Committee Chair Seaman reported that the committee will meet with Mogavero Architects on January 24.

9. Director's Comments

Dias – No comments

Higgins – Seely Park has a pond due to the recent rains.

Lavallee – Do we have dates for the CARPD conference and is anyone planning to attend? She would like to attend. The snowy Egret is back at Seely Park. He has been named Snegly!

Stricklin – The storms have brought in more trash to the parks.

Seaman – Attended the CARPD legislative meeting. He urged action on the tree that has fallen across the pathway at Cottage Park. The recent storms have washed down trash in District creeks and requests staff look for community partnerships to help removal this trash.

10. INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. CARPD Annual Conference Save the Date, May 17-20, 2023, Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite
- B. Meet CARPD's New Legislative Advocates – Renne Public Policy Group
- C. CSDA Virtual Workshop: Budget Preparations for Special Districts

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Linda Montijo Superintendent of Administration

APPROVED: _____
Teresa Higgins, Chair
Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____
Laura Lavallee, Secretary
Board of Directors