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MINUTES
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
September 7, 2022, 9:00 A.M.
Boardroom, UWCD Headquarters
1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mohammed A. Hasan, director
Michael Mobley, director

Absent

Sheldon G. Berger, chair

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Mauricio Guardado, general manager
Clayton Strahan, park ranger
Josh Perez, chief human resources officer
Zachary Plummer, it manager
Eva Ibarra, clerk of the board
Brian Zahn, chief financial officer

OPEN SESSION 9:00 A.M.

Chair Hasan called the Committee meeting to order at 9:00a.m. Two Committee members were present (Director Hasan-filling in as Chair and Director Mobley).

1. Public Comments
Information Item

Chair Hasan asked if there were any comments or questions from the public for the Committee. None were offered.

2. Approval of Minutes
Motion

Motion to approve the minutes from July 1, 2022, Director Hasan; Second, Director Mobley. Voice vote: two ayes (Hasan, Mobley). Motion carries unanimously 2/0/1. Director Berger absent.

3. Monthly Operational Update
Information Item

The Committee received a summary report on the monthly activities of the Parks and Recreation Department for the month of July and August 2022, and financial overview.

Director Hasan asked how did the fish cleaning station fail? Chief Officer Clayton Strahan explained the operational failure of the station.

Director Hasan asked if it is during summertime when the Lake has the most problems with plumbing? Chief Strahan said yes, there is always problems with the flushing valves in showers and solenoids go out and mentioned there is always supply issues. Director Hasan also asked if they conduct preventive maintenance? Chief Strahan said yes, they are checked periodically.

Director Mobley asked if the down trees are oak trees? Chief Strahan said no, and stated the trees needed to be removed from the hillside areas to eliminate any possible fire hazards.

Director Hasan asked if Park Ranger Cadets receive uniforms as the rangers do, and are they deputized? Chief Strahan said yes cadets do receive uniforms, and are deputized or sworn in, as they have limited power. The Seasonal Park Ranger Assistant personnel do not have that authority.

Director Mobley asked with the improvements to Lake Piru Recreation Area will this bring more hookups and added amenities for visitors? Chief Strahan said yes and explained the plan for improvement, and expressed his excitement with the planned improvements, as this will definitely provide a better experience for all visitors at the Recreation area.

Director Hasan asked if the County intervenes with the design for the planned improvements? General Manager Mauricio Guardado said the County does have a role to play in the conditional use approval process, and that this can potentially create some delays on conditional use permits and their issuance, but that they try to streamline efforts and work collaboratively with each other, and at this stage do not expect any pull backs on the planned design.

Mr. Guardado said the language in CUP helps support their plan and the County will keep the District accountable. Chief Strahan said the CUP language is vague and therefore allows them to modify their plan and can still stay within the proposed conditional use plans. Mr. Guardado said all details of the plan will be presented to the Board at a later date.

Director Hasan asked if anyone attends the neighborhood meetings for Piru? Chief Strahan said yes, he tries to attend as many as he can. Director Mobley asked if the neighborhood has grown? Chief Strahan said yes, he sees new faces and good engagement at these meetings.

Mr. Guardado said the added marketing investment on social media has really helped. Chief Strahan agreed.

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Director Hasan requested Chief Strahan provide more details on Lexipol and who started it? Chief Strahan explained how Lexipol services work and how it benefits the District with lower pricing on insurance. Director Hasan said he loves the presentations provided and the enthusiasm when presenting.

Future Agenda Items-None mentioned

ADJOURNMENT: 9:36 a.m.

Director Hasan adjourned the Recreation Committee meeting at 9:36 am

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Recreation Committee meeting of September 7, 2022.

ATTEST:


Director Mohammed A. Hasan