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**MINUTES**  
**RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**April 05, 2023, 9:00 A.M.**  
**Boardroom, UWCD Headquarters**  
**1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard, CA 93030**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Sheldon G. Berger, chair  
Mohammed A. Hasan, director

**Absent**

Gordon Kimball

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

Mauricio Guardado, general manager (via Teams)  
Clayton Strahan, chief park ranger  
Josh Perez, chief human resources officer  
Ed Reese, technology systems specialist  
Eva Ibarra, clerk of the board  
Brian Zahn, chief financial officer  
Anthony Emmert, assistant general manager

**OPEN SESSION 9:00 A.M.**

Chair Berger called the Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Two Committee members were present (Director Berger and Director Naumann).

**1. Public Comments**

**Information Item**

Chair Berger 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 February 1, 2023. Minutes approval was carried over to the next committee meeting.

**3. Monthly Park and Recreation Department Report**

**Information Item**

The Committee received and reviewed the monthly report. Additionally, the Committee received an oral report and presentation from staff which includes ongoing tasks and activities from the Lake Piru Recreation Area for the month of February and March 2023, along with a financial overview.

Director Berger asked if any portion of the related storm residual maintenance can be performed by staff at the Saticoy facility? Chief Ranger, Clayton Strahan said that it is performed at the lake every year.

Director Naumann asked how many campsites with and without hookups are available for rent? Chief Strahan replied there are 80 regular sites and 100 with electrical hookups.

Director Berger asked how many boats will Tommy's Boats have available for rental this year? Chief Strahan said they are expected to stock 8 pontoons and 16 boats.

Director Naumann asked if boats can be reserved online? Chief Strahan said yes.

Director Berger, Director Naumann, General Manager, Mauricio Guardado, and Chief Strahan all had a discussion on the concerns the district has with the active spill for boaters, and the measures staff will be taking once boating activities are allowed at the lake.

Director Naumann asked how much debris is still in the lake? Chief Strahan said they will be approving 21 days of extra debris clean up, as they now clear out only four bins of debris per day, and all large pieces have been removed.

Mr. Guardado mentioned he is extremely proud of the staff for moving quickly with applying for emergency disaster grant assistance from FEMA. He also said the quick work of staff to contract a cleanup crew to assist with the debris cleanup, in such a short time was critical.

Director Naumann asked if Castaic Lake had any impact from the storms? Chief Strahan said there was no specific impact to Castaic but indicated they also had cleanup efforts both on land and in the water and discussed new lake levels at Castaic.

Director Berger asked if FEMA emergency disaster grant had a cap on the dollar amount awarded? Chief Strahan said no, they have no cap on the dollar amount, or time it takes for cleanup.

Director Naumann asked where is all the collected debris taken to? Chief Strahan said it goes to Agriman Wood a waste recycling facility. Director Naumann also asked how debris can be controlled? Chief Strahan said the spill is not strong enough to push debris down, and we cannot stop debris, and therefore it will be a challenge. Director Naumann asked what has now happened to the quaggas? Chief Strahan said unfortunately all attention has been directed to the debris cleanup, although in 60 days, they will be looking into the impact to the quaggas with all the storm water, and spike in warmer temperatures to come.

**4. Facilities Improvement Plan Review**  
**Information Item**

The Committee received an oral update on the latest updates for the Lake Piru Facilities Improvement Plan, to date.

Director Berger asked what is the difference between alternative 2, what are the differences? Chief Strahan explained the variances and overflow of 37 spaces with full hookups to be added. Director Berger also asked how the County of Ventura weighs in on the project, do they have to approve the plan? Chief Strahan said yes, the design plan needs to be approved by the County of Ventura before construction can start. Director Berger asked if the contractor Stantec must also go to the County? Chief Strahan said yes, both United and Stantec need to work together before going to the County for approval of preferred plan. Chief Human Resources Officer, Josh Perez also weighed in, and said we need the plan to be approved, to apply for funding.

Mr. Guardado, Directors Berger and Naumann all agreed the plan for this project needs to be communicated to supervisors and electives to obtain their support, and discussed ideas on how they would present the plan for support.

Director Berger said how will we make more money with less campsites? Chief Strahan said the desired new site will have full hookups which will bring in more revenue.

Both Director Berger and Naumann requested the presentation be scaled down to show important points only, not all details needed for Board presentation.

Director Berger asked what is the status of the store, and expressed his desire to bring it back? Chief Strahan said he has not been able to contract any vendors that are interested in managing the store and said they have tried with no success. Both Director Berger and Naumann made suggestions for incentives to motivate vendors to buy into the idea. Mr. Perez said all campgrounds should have a concession store for our customers' convenience.

Director Naumann asked if FERC needs to approve the lake plan? Chief Strahan said the plan will be shared with FERC.

**Future Agenda Items**

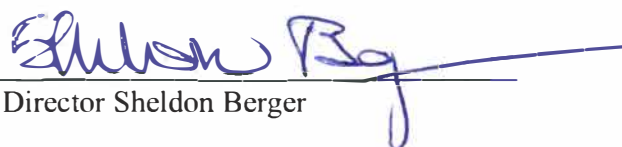
New Fee Schedule

New Boating Fees

**ADJOURNMENT: 10:16 a.m.**

Director Berger adjourned the Recreation Committee meeting at 10:16 am

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the UWCD Recreation Committee meeting of April 5, 2023.

ATTEST:   
Director Sheldon Berger