



# Western Gateway Recreation & Park District

## Minutes

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

Closed Session 5:30pm

Regular Meeting 6:00 pm

Buttermaker's Cottage

- 1) **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance** – Chairman Peirce called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. Pledge was led by Director Glover.
- 2) **Roll Call** – Nancy Peirce, Chairman, Present; Dan House, Vice Chairman, Present; Director Chris Harris, Present; Director Jeff Glover, Present; Director Lisa Thomas, Present
- 3) **Adjourn Open Session** – Open Session was adjourned at 5:37
- 4) **Call to Order the Closed Session** - Closed Session called to order at 5:37
  - a) Government code section 54957.6- Unrepresented Employee, District Secretary
- 5) **Adjourn the Closed Session** – Closed Session adjourned at 6:09 and Open Meeting reconvened at 6:10
- 6) **Reopen the open session-** District Secretary compensation was discussed, but no vote taken.
- 7) **Introduction of guests** – Silvia Wright and Kate Brennan
- 8) **Agenda Approval** – *Vice Chairman House moved and Director Glover seconded that Item 13a be moved to take place after opening comments. Unanimously approved.*
- 9) **Public Comments** - Comments relating to topics not already included on the agenda. Comments relating to agenda items will be heard during discussion of those items. Official board action can only be taken during discussions covered under Old and New Business. Please be brief and limit comments to maximum of five minutes per person.
- 10) **Approval of Minutes** – *Director Harris moved and Director Glover seconded that the minutes of February 20th meeting be accepted as presented. Unanimously approved.*
- 11) **Old Business**
  - a) Bike Park – *Chairman Peirce related progress made with the workday. Build may start by the beginning of April.*
  - b) Solar Project – *Chairman Peirce reported that the next step in the Solar Project would be soil sampling. The engineering company has stated it is too wet to take a sample so not they are waiting on a dry period to get a sample.*
  - c) Surveillance/security – *Director Glover reported he had spoken with Beam Center, but their systems were far more in cost and capability than our purpose. Other systems will be investigated.*
- 12) **New Business**
  - a) Sylvia Wright- Presentation to improve Blue Bird Habitat in the park was made. Existing boxes are in good shape, they are just placed too high for monitoring. Additionally, they are prone to predators and use by other aggressive birds. Request was made to remove existing boxes from trees and instead place on poles. This will allow boxes to be monitored and will deter predators and aggressive birds and increase the Blue Bird population at the park. Chairman Peirce asked the presenters to supply the Board with maps showing current placement and proposed placement. Presenters agreed to use maps supplied by the park to show designated placement.
  - b) Fee schedule- *Bounce house electric fee and monthly-weekly rental fees were discussed. Director Glover moved and Director Thomas seconded that a \$25 electric fee be charged to bounce houses, and that we change the monthly/weekly rental fee designation to the wording long term. Unanimously approved*
  - c) Caretakers- *Director Glover moved and Director Thomas seconded that the park district seek seasonal residential host for the park. Unanimously approved*
  - d) *NID Proposed Water Rate increase – The board discussed the impact of the NID proposed water rate increase. No action was taken.*
- 11) **Financial**
  - a) Financial reports for February 2019 – *The financial report of February was reviewed. Vice Chairman House moved and Director Glover seconded to accept the financial report as presented. C*



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## 12) Advisory Groups - Presentations or reports

- a) Buildings and Grounds
- b) Events
  - ii. Upcoming events and reservations report – *District Secretary Deschaine reported on three major events upcoming – Little League Opening Day, Civil War Re-enactors Event, and Annual Easter Egg Hunt. She also reported that to date this calendar year she has booked 67 reservations as compared to 41 in 2018 and 72 in 2017. Looks like we may have a good year.*
- c) Grant Workshop - *Chairman Peirce and Vice Chairman House reported on the Recreation Grant workshop and Prop 68 they attended along with District Secretary Deschaine. The grant requires no matching funds and must be submitted in early August. Several dates have been explored for public input including the Area Plan Workshop on March 28<sup>th</sup>, the Easter Egg Hunt in April, a Ready Springs School presentation in May, and at least one Movie night in June. There are several areas of the park that have needs and input from the public will focus what areas will be addressed.*

## 13) Director Comments - None

**14) Adjournment** – *Director Harris moved and Director Glover seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Unanimously approved Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm*