



Western Gateway Recreation & Park District

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Regular Meeting 6:00 pm

Buttermaker's Cottage

- 1) **Call to Order:** Chairman Peirce called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge was led by Director House
- 2) **Roll Call** – Nancy Peirce, Chairman, Present; Dan House, Vice Chairman, Present; Chris Harris, Present; Jeff Glover, Present; Lisa Thomas, Present.
- 3) **Introduction of guests:** Susan K. Hook
- 4) **Agenda Approval** – Agenda approved as presented
- 5) **Public Comments** – No public comments
- 6) **Approval of Minutes** – By unanimous vote the minutes of the March 20th, 2019 were approved as presented.
- 7) **Correspondence**
 - a) Jane Ragan, Bike Park Signage – Inquired if the Board would like the WGR&PD logo included on signage. The general consensus was that it would be appropriate to include the logo.
 - b) Angelica Niblock, Solar Project – Project date or scope of the project has not changed. Start will be mid-June.
 - c) Jeri Stone, President, Friends Western Gateway Dog Park – Inquired about work at the bike park. Chairman Peirce responded. Letters between the two were included.
 - d) Susan K. Hook, Resident, Penn Valley Drive – Correspondence between Mrs. Hook and Chairman Peirce following the Civil War Re-enactors event.
- 8) **Old Business**
 - a) Bike Park – *Chairman Peirce updated the Board that volunteers continue to work clearing the area and doing some preliminary work to permit access. Professional builder will start on the Pump Track and Strider Track. Early May*
 - b) Solar Project – *Per letter from Angelica Niblock of Cal Solar, project date and scope has not changed. Mid-June start.*
 - c) Surveillance/security – *Director Glover reported that a professional system was too expensive and unnecessary. He suggested placing an alarm in the office and updating the system in the maintenance area.*
- 9) **New Business**
 - a) Employee Position – *Chairman Peirce advised that ads had been placed and resumes had been received to fill the vacant District Secretary position. Interviews will take place the following week.*
 - b) Fee Schedule – *The updated fee schedule as previously voted on was presented to the Board.*
 - c) NID – *Draft of a letter to the Nevada Irrigation District was presented to the Board stating the previously discussed negative position on the proposed increase in both agricultural and treated water. The entire board signed the letter to be sent to NID.*
 - d) Maintenance Vehicle – *Chairman Peirce apprised the Board of the need to repair the bed of the dump truck to make it serviceable. Cost quotes were received from three vendors with the lowest being in Oroville. Bob will go there to pick up and will then install in the truck bed.*
 - e) Sheriff Renewal – *Chairman Peirce reported she once again initiated a 6-month renewal of permission for the Sheriff to patrol the park and enforce the no loitering policy.*
 - f) Playground Material – *Chairman Peirce reported the quotes received for playground material. The lowest bid came from _____, a wholesale firm in Roseville.*
- 11) **Financial**
 - a) Financial reports for March 2019 – *Director Harris moved and Director Thomas seconded that the Financial Reports for March 2019 be approved as presented. Unanimous approval.*

12) Advisory Groups - Presentations or reports

- a) Buildings and Grounds
 - i. Snow Fencing – Board discussed the need for event fencings and agreed it was the best option for the Stage Pavilion for events and festivals needing to restrict access to the area.
 - ii. Seasonal repairs – Seasonal park repairs, ie sprinklers, irrigation system annual clean out, picnic table repair to areas 6A and 3, and ongoing downed trees, were discussed by the Board.
 - iii. Ball Field Lighting – Chairman Peirce reported the success of the new computerized scheduling of the ball field lights and area security lights.
- b) Upcoming events and reservations report
 - i. New weekly meeting – Penn Valley Survivors will begin to meet on Friday nights.
 - ii. Review of Civil War Reenactors Event – Susan Hook introduced herself as the property renter on the park's east most fence line. She was very unhappy with the firing of the cannon so close to her home and animals. She reported she had no knowledge of the event and that as there was no one home for the first cannon firing which frightened her dogs and horses. She felt the park and the event coordinator did a very poor job informing the neighborhood. Michael Algier stated he had posted signs at intersections the week before stating there would be "Big Booms" at the park. He also appeared on KNCO radio for an interview and posted numerous times on social media to get the word out. Chairman Peirce echoed Mr. Algier saying she had also posted on social media on the park's Facebook page as well as other community pages as early as mid-March saying there would be noise near the area of the park closest to that neighbor. The discussion ended with Director Thomas consoling Mrs. Hook and Director Glover echoed her sentiments.
 - ii. Easter Egg Hunt – Annual event sponsored by Penn Valley Community Center Foundation was successful once again. Chairman Peirce reported she had attended with a table on the State of California Recreation Prop. 68 Grant to garner public input.

13) Director Comments – None

14) Adjournment – Director Thomas moved and Director Glover seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm