



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHICO AREA
RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
545 VALLOMBROSA AVENUE, CHICO, CA 95926**

**MINUTES
April 28, 2022**

Board Members Present: Michael McGinnis, Chair
Thomas Nickell, Vice Chair
Tom Lando, Board Member
Dave Donnan, Board Member
Michael Worley, Board Member

Staff Members Present: Annabel Grimm, General Manager
Heather Childs, Finance Manager
Anjie Goulding, Recreation Manager
Scott Schumann, Parks and Facilities Manager

Legal Counsel Present: Jeff Carter, Attorney at Law

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., and roll call was taken as noted above.

2.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There is no correspondence.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Emilia Crocket Del Aguila and Andrew Colburn shared their internship experience with CARD. They outlined the program structure, what they learned, and their future plans.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Donnan) that the Board of Directors approves the consent agenda as presented.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell, Worley

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

6.0 REGULAR AGENDA

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

7.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 Resolution 22-5 Declaring the Board's Intention to Continue to Levy the Assessments for Fiscal Year 2022-23, Preliminarily Approving the Engineer's Reports, and providing

for Notice of a Public Hearing on May 26, 2022, for the Oak Way, Amber Grove/Greenfield, and Baroni Neighborhood Park and Open Space (No. LLD 001-05) Landscaping and Lighting Assessment Districts (Staff Report 22-16) –

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Nickell) that the Board of Directors approve the Resolution of Intention to Continue to Levy the Assessments for Fiscal Year 2022-23, Preliminarily approving the Engineer’s Report, and Providing for Notice of a Public Hearing on May 26, 2022, for the Oak Way, Amber Grove/Greenfield, and Baroni Neighborhood Park and Open Space (No. LLD 001-05) Landscaping and Lighting Assessment Districts.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell, Worley

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.2 Stonegate Preserve

Bruce Road Associates, the developer of the Stonegate Masterplan, is seeking a group to take ownership of the Stonegate Preserve. They approached CARD about potentially becoming the landowner. The California Waterfowl Association would manage the property. The Board

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Donnan) that the Board of Directors authorize authorized staff to proceed with the due diligence process.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell, Worley

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.3 Bocce Court Project

On April 19, the Tarman Architectural Group provided the first view of a completed design plan and estimated project cost. The estimated construction cost is significantly over budget at \$1.3M.

Deborah Cannon with the Chico Bocce Club has been involved for many years and has seen it become huge in Chico. On any night, they may have two or three different leagues with about 40 teams. She believes when the courts are done, they will be used by all ages. She recommends having the roof. There are many courts in Oroville, Redding, and Martinez, but none have roofs, so they are only used during part of the year. She stated that a roof makes it possible to play year-round, which will provide year-round revenue. Also, the court deteriorates a lot without the roof. She thinks a roof is very advantageous. Also, the lights are important because league play is at night.

Tony George is the President of the Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy. He wants to support public courts in Chico. He believes courts are needed in Chico. He has played on Redding courts for a few years and stated they are nice courts, well utilized by public and city leagues. He stated that there are two-day tournaments that bring revenue for the city. His lodge has 80 members however they don’t have public courts. He believes bocce is a great recreational activity and gives them something to do while having a drink.

Collette Roberts stated that bocce is an inclusive sport and important to people with special needs. She believes there is an opportunity for involvement with the Special Olympics. She stated that she wants everyone to be able to use these courts and that many special need populations can be involved.

M/S/C/ (Directors Worley/Nickell) that the Board authorized staff to proceed with cost containment strategies and present those to the Facilities Committee on June 15, 2022.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried
Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell, Worley
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7.4 Pickleball / Tennis Courts

The demand for Pickleball courts continues to grow. The Facilities Committee recommended the conversion of two tennis courts at Community Park into 8 pickleball courts. This will bring the total number of pickleball courts at Community Park to 16.

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/McGinnis) that the Board of Directors authorize the conversion of two tennis courts to pickleball.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried
Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell, Worley
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8.0 **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 Resolution 22-6 of the Board of Directors of the Chico Area Recreation and Park District Adopting the Preliminary Budget for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Nickell) that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 22-6 which adopts the Preliminary Budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, makes it available for public inspection, and determines that the public hearing regarding the Preliminary Budget will be conducted on May 26, 2022, at the Regular Board Meeting, and the Board will consider adoption of the Final Budget for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 at the Regular Board Meeting on June 23, 2022.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried
Ayes: Lando, McGinnis, Donnan, Nickell
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Worley

9.0 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS/SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

There were no comments.

10.0 **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

Director Lando requested a closed session performance review of General Manager Grimm every six months.

11.0 GENERAL MANAGER’S COMMENTS

There were no comments.

12.0 STAFF COMMENTS

Recreation Manager Goulding stated that Director Donnan suggested that youth sports participants get featured in the newspaper and she is pursuing that recommendation.

Parks and Facilities Manager Schumann stated that the PV pool improvement project passed the final inspection and will be open to the public beginning May 1. In addition, the second Centennial play structure will be installed at the end of April and will take approximately four weeks to complete.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chico Area Recreation and Park District.