



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

**MINUTES
June 20, 2019**

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

Staff Members Present: Ann Willmann, General Manager
Heather Childs, Finance Manager
Jennifer Marciales, Executive Assistant

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.

1.2 Closed Session Announcement

Chair Worley stated that direction was given to staff with reference to the terms and conditions of the lease for the Chico Creek Nature Center. Chair Worley requested that a Closed Session Meeting be scheduled for June 25, 2019 at 4:00pm to review the performance evaluation of the General Manager.

2.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Cannon with Chico Bocce Club addressed the Board and stated that he started talking with CARD 6 years ago about building bocce ball courts in Chico. He stated that he has also been in communication with the City of Chico, but they are only willing to offer them a 5 year lease. He stated that he would like CARD to make a commitment to build bocce ball courts in Chico. He noted that 4 courts would be preferred, along with a clubhouse, fences, and benches.

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Worley, Lando, Nickell, McGinnis, Donnan

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

6.0 REGULAR AGENDA

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

7.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 Public Hearing for Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

Finance Manager Childs reviewed the changes that were made from Version 1 and Version 2 of the 2019/2020 proposed Budget.

Director Lando stated that he wanted to point out that the Board increased the District's payment to PERS to lower its unfunded liability, and in the current fiscal year, revenue exceeds expenses. Director Lando further stated that he feels the General Manager should have the authority to proceed with projects that are included in the budget once adopted by the Board. General Manager Willmann suggested that this be reviewed with legal counsel at the next Regular Board Meeting.

Chair Worley opened the Public Hearing for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 at 6:18 p.m. There being no public comments, Chair Worley closed the Public Hearing at 6:19 p.m.

7.2 Funding Measure

General Manager Willmann reviewed her staff report with the Board, along with a PowerPoint presentation outlining the possible reconfiguration of existing field space at DeGarmo Park, Community Park, and Wildwood Park, and cost options for an aquatic facility and gymnasium at DeGarmo Park.

Terry Cleland addressed the Board and asked what the projected timeline for buildout would be, and Director Lando stated that it depends on funding sources and when they would be received. Director McGinnis stated that the recommendation from the Facilities Priorities Committee is to begin working on some projects now.

Mr. Cleland also asked how much information would need to be finalized before going out for a funding measure, and Director Lando stated that he feels the information should be as specific as possible identifying how the funds would be used. Mr. Cleland stated that he grew up playing sports in Chico and had a sports business for 20 years. He noted that he would like to see CARD proceed with the funding measure and provide the best recreational facilities possible.

Jan Sneed addressed the Board and stated that it is imperative that CARD build a new gymnasium and aquatic center, and she encourages the Board to proceed with the funding measure.

Herman Ellis addressed the Board and stated the he also encourages the Board to proceed with the funding measure, and he supports the inclusion of a gymnasium and aquatic center in the funding measure. He noted that these facilities are needed now.

Director Lando stated that he has been contemplating on whether or not to proceed with the funding measure, but he feels that this is about the quality of life, and he supports the District proceeding with the funding measure and recommends considering the \$85 per parcel fee.

Director Lando suggested that at the next Intergovernmental Committee Meeting, the committee discuss amending the ordinance related to how community park funds can be utilized to include special purpose facilities, such as an aquatic center. He further noted that there needs to be a discussion about the possibility of including funds in the revenue measure to assist with Bidwell Park.

M/S/C/ (Directors McGinnis/Lando) that the Board of Directors directs staff to continue to pursue the placement of a parcel tax on the March 2020 ballot, (1) enter into a contract with Clifford Moss for Phase II of the communications strategy, (2) secure legal counsel to draft the ballot measure, (3) begin developing educational materials, and (4) conduct community outreach meetings to share District needs and gather community feedback.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Worley, Lando, Nickell, McGinnis, Donnan

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

M/S/C/ (Directors McGinnis/Donan) that at the Intergovernmental Committee Meeting in July, the Committee request that the City authorize CARD to utilize Community Park Funds to complete some projects at DeGarmo Park and Community Park, and utilize Neighborhood Park Funds for Ceres Avenue Park.

The vote was as follows: Ayes carried

Ayes: Worley, Lando, Nickell, McGinnis, Donnan

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Resolution 19-10 of the Board of Directors of the Chico Area Recreation and Park District Establishing Appropriations Limits for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/McGinnis) that the Board of Directors adopts Resolution 19-10 Establishing Appropriations Limits for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year at \$11,899,983.

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

8.2 Time Expired Warrants Policy

M/S/C/ (Directors McGinnis/Lando) that the Board of Directors approves the Time Expired Warrants Policy.

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

8.3 Light Upgrades Utilizing PG&E On-Bill Financing

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Nickell) that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to (1) enter into an agreement with RHA to facilitate the light retrofit, (2) approve the submittal of the On-Bill Financing Supplement and Application, and (3) authorize the General Manager to execute any associated agreements and applications to complete the project.

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

8.4 Vehicle Surplus

M/S/C/ (Directors Lando/Donan) that the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to surplus the 2006 Chevy Uplander and the 2007 Chevy HHR, and purchase a utility van utilizing contingencies not to exceed \$20,000.

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

9.0 BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS/SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

9.1 Butte County Special Districts Association/LAFCO
There were no comments.

9.2 Other Reports

There were no comments.

10.0 DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Director Lando stated that there needs to be regularly scheduled Intergovernmental Committee Meetings. He noted that the City and CARD are trying to serve the community, and it would be beneficial to have a consistent schedule.

11.0 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

General Manager Willmann stated that Prop 68 is moving forward with the per capita amounts and more information should be available in August.

12.0 STAFF COMMENTS

There were no comments.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. to the Closed Session Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chico Area Recreation and Park District on June 25, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Willmann, General Manager
Secretary to the Board