



MINUTES

JOINT REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION AND RECREATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Establish Quorum/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Heggen called the Recreation and Parks Commission and NTPUD Recreation Committee meeting to order on Thursday, October 26, at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established. Recreation and Parks Commissioners in attendance included: Chair Ingrid Heggen, Commissioners Michael Stoltzman, Linda Slack-Cruz, Ed Rudloff, and Nancy Williams. Commissioner Sean O'Brien and Alternate Commissioner Jill Amen were absent. Alternate Commissioner Williams filled in for Commissioner O'Brien. Directors Hughes and Daniels of the District's Recreation Committee were absent. NTPUD Staff present included Public Information Officer Broglio, General Manager Johnson, Engineering Manager Chorey, Recreation, Parks, & Facilities Manager Amanda Oberacker, and Administrative Liaison Misty Moga.

Public Comment and Questions – There were no questions or comments.

Rec Connect Activity – The Commission, Committee Members, and Staff enjoyed breathing and chair exercises led by RPF Manager Oberacker.

Long Range Calendar – RPF Manager Oberacker highlighted items in the long-range calendar.

Approve Minutes from Recreation and Parks Commission Regular Meeting Held on August 24, 2023 – The draft minutes were presented to the Commission for approval. Commissioner Slack-Cruz noted she was absent from the last meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Stoltzman moved to approve the special meeting minutes of August 24, 2023. Commissioner Heggen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Staff Reports

Recreation, Parks, and Facilities Department Report – RPF Manager Oberacker highlighted items from her report, including an update regarding TVRA's non-marina status according to TRPA. In response to Commissioner Rudloff's inquiry, GM Johnson spoke about the future Placer County North Trail non-motorized connection into our Regional Park.

Public Information and Recreation Outreach Update – PIO Broglio provided highlights from his report. GM Johnson highlighted the new high-resolution web camera as part of the TVRA Scenic Outlook project. Commission and Staff discussed the Event Center's booking challenge is with lodging. Staff noted we are working with North Tahoe Alliance and Travel North to be on their list for event centers. Commissioners complimented the report and metrics. The Commission and Staff discussed increasing signage with education regarding invasive species

– clean, drain, and dry for non-motorized boaters at TVRA. A cleaning station at TVRA would be a great addition.

Planning and Engineering Department Report – Engineering Manager Nathan Chorey provided highlights from his report. Commissioner Slack-Cruz complimented the tennis/pickleball courts. RPF Oberacker noted a soft grand opening for tennis/pickleball event will be held this weekend with a grand opening event slated for spring of 2024.

Monthly Review of Recreation and Parks Department Financial Statement for the Month ending August 31, 2023 – GM Johnson provided highlights from the financial statement report.

General Commission/Committee Business

Selection of Resident Benefit & Park Supporter Sticker Artwork for 2024-2025 – PIO

Broglio introduced the item and reviewed the entries. The Commissioners discussed the entries and selected the playground scene art entry.

Receive an Update on the Draft North Tahoe Event Center Architectural Planning Study and Provide Feedback to the North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors – GM Johnson provided a PowerPoint presentation. The Commission and Staff discussed the different design scheme options, roof pitch, terrace expansion, capacity and flow of the building, acoustics, parking, and a design to address all three operational silos. They discussed the costs, potential future funding, and timeline.

Tahoe Vista Recreation Area 2023 Boat Launch Review – RPF Oberacker introduced the item. Recreation & Community Event Supervisor Ben Visnyei provided a TVRA Boat launch seasonal review. He noted that there were no negative comments about the boat launch fee increase, but rather boaters were happy the ramp was open. He added Staff received feedback regarding charging for pulling boats out of the water which will be considered for next season. Rec Supervisor Visnyei addressed inquiries about boat staging and impacting highway traffic. Commissioner Stoltzman suggested expanding the summer season hours into September, weather permitting. Staff and Commission discussed challenges with staffing late in the season and offering a possible reservation system for launching. Rec Supervisor Visnyei provided an update on the Kayak/SUP rack rental revenue. He noted there were a few SUP spots left but the kayak rack was full. There are ideas for improvement next year.

North Lake Tahoe Recreation and Aquatic Center Feasibility Update – RPF Manager Oberacker provided an update. The Staffing and Commission discussed the statistically valid polling, timing, and the option of including Olympic Valley in the process. PIO Broglio spoke about the northtahoerec.org website and future messaging with email campaign and social outreach.

Commissioner/Committee Comments and Questions – Commissioner Williams complimented the par course trail improvements. The Commission and Staff briefly discussed the improvements in the park, park host, and grants. There were no further questions or comments.

Public Comment and Questions – There were no requests for public comment.

Adjournment – With no further business to come before the Commission/Committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.