



MINUTES

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION AND RECREATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE Thursday, February 15, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Establish Quorum/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Stoltzman called the Recreation and Parks Commission and NTPUD Recreation Committee meeting to order on Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established. Recreation and Parks Commissioners in attendance included Ingrid Heggen, Jill Amen (Alternate), Ed Rudloff, Michael Stoltzman, and Nancy Williams (Alternate). Commissioners Linda Slack-Cruz and Sean O'Brien were absent. Alternate Commissioner Williams and Amen filled in for Commissioners Slack-Cruz and O'Brien. Directors Hughes and Daniels of the District's Recreation Committee were also in attendance. NTPUD Staff present included 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 a tissue-paper flower-making activity led by RFP Manager Oberacker.

Long Range Calendar – RPF Manager Oberacker highlighted items in the long-range calendar, including the Pancake Breakfast and Nordic nights. Commissioner Amen volunteered to present the Recreation and Parks Commission Report at the Board of Directors' April 9th meeting.

Approve Minutes from Recreation and Parks Commission Regular Meeting Held on December 14, 2023 – The draft minutes were presented to the Commission for approval. It was noted that Commissioner Rudloff's name needed correction.

MOTION: Commissioner Stoltzman moved to approve the special meeting minutes of December 14, 2023. Commissioner Heggen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously in favor.

Staff Reports

Recreation, Parks, and Facilities Department Report – RPF Manager Oberacker highlighted items from her report. The Commissioners complimented the decision to mail the stickers to property owners and landlords. In response to Chair Stoltzman's inquiry about peak parking, RPF Oberacker noted visitor data wasn't collected, and there has been very little negative feedback. Commissioner Heggen complimented the report.

Public Information and Recreation Outreach Update – PIO Broglio provided highlights from his report. In response to Commissioner Rudloff's inquiry, PIO Broglio spoke about the NTCA grant for planning and design for a future project at Secline Beach. Director Hughes spoke

about a holistic, multimodal approach to the lakeside. Director Daniels stated that funding parks and recreation has been a dream. She expressed a desire to have a snow-making machine in the park for the big sled hill. GM Johnson stated we could put together a proforma and discuss it at a future meeting. Chair Stoltzman complimented the wedding brochure.

Planning and Engineering Department Report – Engineering Manager Nathan Chorey provided highlights from his report.

Monthly Review of Recreation and Parks Department Financial Statement for the Month ending December 31, 2023 – GM Johnson provided highlights from the financial statements. In response to Commissioner Williams’ idea for a Finance 101 workshop, GM Johnson asked for feedback on hosting a finance workshop for the Commission. The Commissioners and Directors agreed that a workshop would be helpful to understand the finances better. In response to Commissioner Amen’s inquiry, GM Johnson noted we could add corporate events to NTEC’s financial report. He added that there would be further discussion during NTEC Manager Becker’s presentation. RPF Manager Oberacker explained the different NTEC customer categories – private (weddings), Community events, and Corporate (and government meetings).

General Commission/Committee Business

Review and Discuss Resolution 2024-06 – Setting Various Rental Rates for Field and Facility Use at the North Tahoe Regional Park and Tahoe Vista Recreation Area – RPF Manager Oberacker introduced the item. RPF Manager Oberacker addressed questions about the TVRA parking lot and disc golf course reservations. She added staff would carefully consider and manage reservation requests so as not to impact other users. She addressed questions about tennis and pickleball court reservations and first-come, first-serve courts. Commissioner Heggen agreed with the proposed rates and noted that the CivicRec software would be convenient for making reservations this summer.

Review, Discuss, and Provide Feedback to Staff and Board Regarding the District’s Commemorative Seating Program and Naming of District Parks and Facilities Policy Updates — RPF Manager Oberacker introduced the item. In response to Commissioner Amen’s inquiry, RFP Manager Oberacker noted that the NTEC architecture study is still being conducted, so plaques aren’t considered for the event center. GM Johnson added that the NTEC footprint is limited beyond the building. Commissioner Amen suggested including historical plaques about the evolution of the town.

The Commission, Directors, and Staff discussed pricing, timeline, material lifespan, operations and maintenance of benches, renewing, and possible discounts for renewals. Commissioner Williams suggested giving the current commemorative plaque customer the first right to refuse to renew their plaque commitment for longer. Chair Stoltzman stated that he supports the timeline but is concerned about discount levels because of inflation. The Commissioners discussed lowering the discount percentage for renewals but not to impact the District’s budget. Additionally, the Commissioners discussed discounting a used bench. Director Daniels stated she liked the pricing, as stated in the draft.

North Lake Tahoe Recreation and Aquatic Center Feasibility Update – RPF Manager Oberacker provided a summary. The Commissioners complimented the joint process with each board and the consultants’ presentation about the statistically valid survey. GM Johnson summarized the proposed land usage. GM Johnson spoke about ACA-1 and the potential next steps if it passes.

Public Comment and Questions – Commissioner Williams recommended hosting a ‘Gear Library’ similar to South Lake Tahoe’s, where someone could check out equipment, cornhole sets, or board games. GM Johnson noted we could investigate it within our liability limitations.

Adjournment – With no further business to come before the Commission/Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.