



BEAUMONT CHERRY VALLEY RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, September 23, 2020
390 W. Oak Valley Parkway Beaumont, CA 92223
MINUTES
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WAS BY TELECONFERENCE ONLY

Due to the spread of COVID-19 and in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, the Beaumont Cherry Valley Recreation & Park District conducted this meeting by teleconference.

REGULAR SESSION: Regular Session to Begin at 5:00pm
Regular session was called to order at 5:08pm.

Roll Call:

Director De La Cruz: via teleconference
Director Ward: via teleconference
Treasurer Diercks: Present
Vice-Chair/Secretary Flores: Present
Chairman Hughes: Present

Legal Counsel, Albert Maldonado attended via teleconference.

Invocation: Chairman Hughes gave the invocation

Pledge of Allegiance: Treasurer Diercks led the pledge of allegiance

Adjustments to Agenda: None.

Presentations: None

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

2.1 Approve Notice of Completion for Bogart Regional Park Pond

General Manager, Duane Burk stated the project started in February. The District entered into an agreement with Merlin Johnson Construction for a design build of the existing footprint of the pond. We did not make the pond bigger. We dug out the old materials and repurposed it on the property. We added slope protection and brought in clay material that was on the property so we did not have to buy a liner for the pond. New control valves were installed to control the flow of water to the pond. We got the rock from San Bernardino Municipal Conservation District for one dollar per ton and paid for trucking. He reported the pond project is completed and asked the board to authorize submittal of the Notice of Completion and approve the expenditure of \$223,048.36 to Merlin Johnson Construction for the project. Director Ward asked what the original contract amount was. The General Manager said we did a design build so we did not have an original contract because we did not know what we were going to get into. She asked if any of it had been paid or is the amount due and payable now. GM responded none of it has been paid. Vice Chair/Secretary Flores stated the amount of money is a bargain from his experience and point of view. Chairman Hughes asked if the finance committee reviewed the expenditure and Treasurer Diercks stated the finance committee talked about the project and approves it.

Motion was made to accept item 2.1.

Initial Motion: Treasurer Diercks

Second: Vice Chair/Secretary Flores

Result of Motion: Carried 5-0

Director De La Cruz: Aye

Director Ward: Aye

Treasurer Diercks: Aye

Vice Chair/Secretary Flores: Aye

Chairman Hughes: Aye

2.2 Approve FY 18/19 Draft Audit

Nancy Law referenced a few differences in the format due to the foundation being included in the audits. Chairman Hughes asked if the process has been faster throughout the last few years and in her opinion if the audits were better. Nancy stated she felt the auditors take longer but the system is better. Chairman Hughes stated for the record he did not attend the finance meeting, Vice Chair/Secretary Flores and Treasurer Diercks did.

Chairman Hughes opened public comment at 5:20pm. Hearing none, public comment closed at 5:20pm.

Motion was made to accept item 2.2.

Initial Motion: Treasurer Diercks

Second: Director Ward

Result of Motion: Carried 5-0

Director De La Cruz: Aye

Director Ward: Aye

Treasurer Diercks: Aye

Vice Chair/Secretary Flores: Aye

Chairman Hughes: Aye

2.3 Approve Hiring Consultant; Land Engineering for CEQA - Bogart Park

The General Manager stated that as a result of doing maintenance at Bogart Park, the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) was contacted about the operations in the form of a complaint. He has not received any written information on the complaint but had a conference call with Jeff Brandt and two enforcement agents and it pertained to fish and bears. He said that as a result of the conversation, the DFW wants the District to put together environmental documents that show specifically what we did, what we are doing in the future and how we are going to maintain those things and the effects on the environment. Protocols were not followed for tree trimming and removal of broken trees. The intent was to trim the trees, keep the area clean, and have a marketable place to bring your kids. Land Engineering will have L&L Environment Engineers work with us on a tree survey and whatever else we will have to do. He said it should take one to two years to complete.

Chairman Hughes opened public comment at 5:29pm. Hearing none, public comment closed at 5:29pm.

Treasurer Diercks commented that eventually we would have been required to do half of these things anyways and this is part of doing business. Director Ward asked if we are required to get other quotes. The General Manager said that under professional services we are not required to get quotes. Vice Chair/Secretary Flores stated, we did the work at the RIGHT TIME. Chairman Hughes stated that when the Apple Fire started, the tree trimming potentially saved a lot of homes. He asked if the company provides a guideline of how we need to conduct things in the future. General Manager said that would be determined from Fish and Game.

Motion was made to accept item 2.3.

Initial Motion: Treasurer Diercks

Second: Director De La Cruz

Result of Motion: Carried 5-0

Director De La Cruz: Aye

Director Ward: Aye

Treasurer Diercks: Aye

Vice Chair/Secretary Flores: Aye

Chairman Hughes: Aye

3. NEXT MEETING:

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Sang Happy Birthday to Armando De La Cruz and Nancy Law

4. DIRECTORS MATTERS:

Director De La Cruz:

Armando thanked everyone for the cake and beautiful song sang and said he can't wait to see everyone again. He said he is missing Oktoberfest this year because he always has a great time there and can't wait for next year so we can continue with Oktoberfest and all our celebrations for the people.

Director Ward:

Denise said thank you for the prayers. She appreciates it. She said she enjoyed the ad-hoc meeting at Bogart Park. It was nice to be outside and see everybody there. She thanked everyone for all of their hard work.

Treasurer Diercks:

Chris said he stopped by the new restrooms on field #7 and they are coming along nice and looking good.

Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:

John said he likes the direction we are moving in at Bogart Park and to keep moving forward.

Chairman Hughes:

Dan said he attended Kathy Wagner's service. She was well respected by the community and a great person. He said he has known her personally for over 30 years and she will be missed dearly. He would like the board to think about what we can do for her, not only add her to the memorial wall but do something special for her in conjunction with Beaumont Youth Baseball. Her daughter, Jamie asked about naming a field after her. Dan said Jim Smith is going in for heart surgery and wished him the best and to get well quickly and asked everyone to say a special prayer for Jim, Director Flores and Director Ward.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 5:48pm.