



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
VALLEY-WIDE RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT**

**March 16, 2015**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

1.1. The meeting of the Board of Directors of Valley-Wide Recreation and Park District was called to order at 5:00 p.m. March 16, 2015 at the District Office, 901 W. Esplanade Avenue, San Jacinto California by President Minor.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2.1. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Minor.

**3. ROLL CALL**

**Board of Directors**

PRESENT: Larry Minor, Frank Gorman, John Bragg, Steve Simpson and Matt Duarte

ABSENT: None

**STAFF:** Dean Wetter, Gustavo Bermeo, Sarah LeBorgne, Kirk Summers, Vince Valdez, and James Edwards.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tom Wilson, Howard Tounget, and Harvey Schroeder representing White, Nelson, Diehl, Evans LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

**4. AGENDA APPROVAL**

4.1. **On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Gorman** the board approved the agenda (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

**5. RECOGNITION**

Mr. Minor presented a certificate of appreciation to the following:

➤ **Tom Wilson, Community Volunteer**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON AGENDA ITEMS**

- 6.1 Howard Tounget commented he is amazed of those running meetings and don't know the rules of the Brown Act and what is defined as a meeting. Mr. Tounget proceeded to recite the Brown Act.

7. **BOARD COMMENTS**

- 7.1. Mr. Duarte commented he attended the little league ceremonies at Wheatfield Park. Mr. Duarte gave kudos to the staff, as he understands there is a lot of work that goes into organizing such events. Mr. Duarte also briefly gave his thoughts on public comments, Mr. Duarte commented that we live in a great country and we offer the citizens the right to free speech, public comment can be very valuable to the community and to the Board. Mr. Duarte stated when public comments evolve into personal attacks it is a disservice, and the commenters lose appeal. Mr. Duarte also mentioned he will always encourage public speech but should be known that if people don't have respect for our Board and their time, it is a disrespect to our government in general.

8. **VALLEY- WIDE CHECK LIST**

- 8.1. **On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Bragg**, the board approved Valley-Wide Clearing Account Check List for February 2015: 76551-76971 (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

9. **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2015.**

- 9.1 The Financial Statements were received and filled.

10. **PRESENTATION**

- 10.1. James Edwards, Recreation Supervisor at James Simpson Memorial Center, gave a brief presentation on the history, the diverse classes offered to the community, and the increase in participants at the facility.

11. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

*These items are considered routine in nature and will be approved with one motion.*

Public Comment: Mr. Tounget commented that his public comment on item 12 was not recorded in the Minutes.

- The Board tabled the Minutes of the February 23, 2015 Regular Meeting for April 20, 2015.

## 12. OLD BUSINESS

### 12.1. 2013/2014 Audit Report

Public comment: Mr. Tounget commented the District is comingling District's money with the operations with Menifee West. Mr. Tounget also had questions regarding the Valley-Wide foundation in the Audit Report and recited pages in the report.

Mr. Duarte commented he is aware of Mr. Tounget's tactics, and saw how he treated the clerk of the Board at last month's meeting, by throwing paperwork at her. Mr. Duarte also stated he reviewed Mr. Toungets Board questionnaire, and if Mr. Toungets goal was to be considered a joke he succeeded. Mr. Duarte hopes that type of conduct would seize in the future.

- Presentation and review of the 2013/2014 Audit Report from White, Nelson, Diehl, Evans LLP, Certified Public Accountants was reviewed and filed.

**On a motion by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Bragg** the Board approved the Audit Report (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

### 12.2. Annual Organizational Meeting

Public comment: Mr. Tounget commented he would like the President of the Board to recuse himself from any nominations, based on your current situation with the state of California, I think this Board needs a better representative than yourself.

Mr. Simpson commented if our Auditors think we are doing good and we've done good for the last few years, Mr. Tounget must be mistaken.

President Minor conducted the election for officers of the Valley-Wide Recreation and Park District Board of Directors.

#### President

##### ➤ **Call for nominations**

Mr. Minor called for nominations for the office of Board President.

**On a motion by Mr. Gorman, second by Mr. Simpson** the Board nominated Larry Minor as President.

- **Close nominations**  
No other nominations were made.

- **Vote**  
**On a motion by Mr. Gorman, second by Mr. Simpson** Board member Larry Minor was voted in favor as President of the Board (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

#### **Vice President**

- **Call for nominations**  
President Minor called for nominations for the office of Vice President

**On a motion by Mr. Simpson, second by Mr. Gorman**, the Board nominated Matt Duarte as Vice President.

- **Close nominations**  
No other nominations were made.

- **Vote**  
**On a motion by Mr. Gorman, second by Mr. Simpson**, Board member Matt Duarte was voted for in favor as Vice President of the Board (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

#### **Secretary**

- **Call for nominations**  
President Minor called for nominations for the office of Secretary.

**On a motion by Mr. Simpson, second by Mr. Gorman** the Board nominated John Bragg as Secretary.

- **Close Nominations**  
No other nominations were made.

- **Vote**  
**On a motion by Mr. Simpson, second by Mr. Gorman** Board member John Bragg was voted in favor as Secretary (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

#### **Appoint the General Manager as Board's Treasurer**

- **Vote**  
**On a motion my Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Simpson** the Board appointed Dean Wetter as Board Treasurer (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

### **13. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **13.1. Appoint Board Secretary for Remainder of Current Fiscal Year**

##### **Secretary**

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**On a motion by Mr. Gorman, second by Mr. Simpson** the Board nominated John Bragg as Secretary.

- **Close Nominations**  
No other nominations were made.
- **Vote**  
**On a motion by Mr. Gorman, second by Mr. Simpson** Board member John Bragg was voted in favor as Secretary (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).

#### **13.2. Appoint Personnel and Finance/Budget Committee Member for Remainder of Current Fiscal Year**

- President Minor appointed Valley-Wide Board of Directors to the following committees:
  - **Planning Committee** – Frank Gorman and Larry Minor
  - **Personnel Committee** – John Bragg and Steve Simpson
  - **Finance Committee** – Frank Gorman and Matt Duarte

Mr. Gorman would like to set up a Finance Committee meeting in the near future.

### **14. ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

#### **14.1. General Managers Reports**

- Mr. Wetter announced the June 15, 2015 Board of Directors meeting will be held at the Wheatfield Community Center in Menifee.
- Mr. Wetter also gave a brief update on upcoming events.

## **15. STAFF REPORTS**

- The Board received the following rec reports:

- 15.1. Sport Center
- 15.2. Trips & Excursions
- 15.3. Valle Vista
- 15.4. Menifee
- 15.5. Winchester
- 15.6. Diamond Valley
- 15.7. French Valley
- 15.8. Romoland
- 15.9. Simpson Center
- 15.10. Lazy Creek
- 15.11. Kay Cenicerros

## **16. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES**

- 16.1. The Board received all Valley-Wide Recreation newspaper publications for the Month of February.

## **17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Tounget commented he is glad Valley-Wide has a lawyer on the Board, referred to the Brown Act previously, Mr. Tounget asked for clarification regarding which item the Board will be discussing in executive session.

The Board entered into executive session at 6:05 p.m. regarding the following:

- 17.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Government Code Sec 54956.9(d)(4); potential litigation: one case.

The Board closed executive session and reopened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. with nothing to report.

## **18. ADJOURNMENT**

- **On a motion by Mr. Gorman, seconded by Mr. Simpson,** the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m. (AYES: Minor, Simpson, Gorman, Bragg, Duarte NOES: None, ABSENT: None).