HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

October 10, 2012

FLAG SALUTE

Director Chandler led the Pledge of Allegiance

CALL TO ORDER

The Hesperia Recreation and Park District Board of Directors Regular Meeting was called to order by President Limbaugh at 7:00 p.m., at Lime Street Park Community Center, located at 16292 Lime Street, Hesperia.

ATTENDANCE

BOARD PRESENT: Gregg, Chandler, Limbaugh, Hamilton, Swanson
BOARD ABSENT: None

COMMUNICATIONS

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

2. Memorandum from CSDA regarding 2013 CSDA Committee & Expert Team Participation.
3. Email from Renee and Brian Boal regarding Hesperia Days Fireworks.
4. Comments from the district’s Facebook page regarding the Hesperia Days Fireworks.
5. Email regarding a phone call from Brian Oddy telling Lindsay, “Bangor, Excellent Job”.
11. Newspaper article, September 21, 2012, Hesperia Star, “Local girl surprised with $1,000”.
13. RSP TBall Evaluations.
ORAL COMMUNICATION

MR. WOODS: We had several items in the written communication tab that congratulated the district on a great Hesperia Days and that's what a lot of these people are here tonight for is to be thanked for their participation with that event. The weather was perfect; the fireworks were great; the music was good; the parade was great; the run was great. So it was a great event. In front of you, I've laid out a few things that I wanted to bring to your attention. First, the card on top is the mud run that is to support Hesperia Unified School District. It is going to be on October 20th; it will benefit their music programs. Next the district is working with the Healthy Hesperia and the Hesperia Health and Safety Fair which will be on October 27th. There is a time change on that event. The flyer is in front of you it says noon to 5:00. It is noon to 4:00, and the costume parade has been moved to 3:00; correct, Don?

MR. WEBB: Correct.

MR. WOODS: 3:00 p.m. Route 66, Hot Rod Halloween Fest is a new program that we're doing this year in conjunction with a local radio station. It will be very similar to a trunk or treat activity, and that will be held at Hesperia Civic Plaza Park on Halloween evening, and that will be from 5:00 to 8:00 there. Don has coordinated a Medicare information session for our seniors, and that will be on November 1st at 1:00 p.m. at the Percy Bakker Center. So if you know anyone that is part of Medicare and has a question, that's a good forum to go to and get your questions answered.

MS. THOMAS: Or before Medicare.

MR. WOODS: Veteran's Day Ceremony. We're going to be celebrating that this year on Saturday, November 10th, at 11 o'clock down at Hesperia Lake Park, annual event. Hope you all can make it. We're working again with the AmVets group to bring that to our community, and our fall publications are out, so I gave you the postcard and the publication in case you did not receive those two items. Other than that, I have no speaker cards. That's all I have.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thank you.

CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION: It was moved by Director Chandler, seconded by Director Gregg and carried unanimously to approve Consent Items A through E:

A. Approved Minutes for the Regular Meeting, September 12, 2012.
B. Approved Claims for Payment.
C. Accepted written staff reports
D. Authorization to advertise for bids: None
E. 2013 Facility User Agreements

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Next our favorite part of the meeting. That's why you guys are all here.
MR. WOODS: We're going to start off this evening with Mr. Glass thanking the volunteers that participated with the 5K run and their sponsors.

MR. GLASS: This year, 2012, we have approximately about 1200 again, I think. Because I took a look at last year's picture, look again at this year's picture, looking at the mass of people coming --

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Did you count everybody in the picture?

MR. GLASS: I didn't. Next year, Jack, we're going to get a clicker for fun and see how good we are at it. But we cannot do it without sponsors. It's grown from 2008, 150. Now up to over 1200. It's a free, healthy, family event that families can actually come out and participate in a sport together, whether it's walking, skating, or actually running the 5K. And then we do have all of those medals that go out from 12 and under, 13 and 14, 15 to 17, 18 to 29 and then 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, and 70s, anybody over 70. Our sponsors are receiving this certificate thanking them. And then, of course, again, we like to give out a collage picture to each of the sponsors. The first person I'd like to thank, and one of the sponsors, is Lloyd Pober. He is the owner of Lloyd's Tennis and Trophy World. It's been in the family since 1927, and he is now the owner since 1994. And Lloyd, come on up. I'd like to thank them. We're just so awesome to have the community get covered and small businesses and step up to the plate and make it -- come on up, and we'll let you have a picture, rub elbows with our board.

(Presentation made.)

MR. GLASS: The next one is a repeat player, been with us the last four years. Kevin Mahaney. He is Healthy High Desert, and he is also St. Joseph Health St. Mary’s, which is now the new name of the hospital. I have two certificates, one for St. Joseph Health St. Mary’s, and one for Healthy High Desert.

(Presentation made.)

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Great, thanks.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Thank you.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Thank you.

MR. WOODS: Next, we have our chief ranger, Jack Thomas, coming to recognize the reserves and the Explorers that helped with a variety of the things in Hesperia Days.

MR. THOMAS: Absolutely, including getting too hot, staying out in the sun, refusing to leave. I had to pick her up and carry her and dump her in the shade, but again, we couldn't do what we do without you guys. Fire guys, deputy sheriff, and even Kyle with the Explorers. You did an outstanding job, and I don't know if everybody here is aware it's got to be a learning experience for them too. If they're going to go into this career field, whether firemen or policemen or paramedics, the people are so nice to you. You know, 3,000 people want to leave at the same time, and maybe they become very ugly, but these guys always come through with a good job.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They did a very good job getting all those cars out after the fireworks.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Absolutely.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It was very orderly considering traffic pattern change.

MR. THOMAS: The Fire Explorers -- Gage Santos is not here, so I just tore his up. Adam Rubio is not here, so I tore his up. So Kristina Fonseca and Brandon Hubbard. Brandon was here last year. Ryker -- say the last, Ryker Biernesser.

MR. BIERNESSE: Biernesser.
MR. THOMAS: Biernesser?
MR. BIERNESSER: Yes, sir.
MR. THOMAS: Ryker Biernesser, Megan Barela, Daniel Carter.
(Presentation made.)
MR. THOMAS: Next couple of guys that are here -- they left the girl Explorer at home on this trip, I guess. We had Gabriel Dominguez -- he's not here. So Kyle, you'll give him his, okay? Daniel Sartori. Kyle is -- we had to do this this month because Kyle is going into the military. Okay. So there's no greater honor than serving your country.
(Presentation made.)
MR. THOMAS: Our last -- our dependable, expendables, old guys that have been here forever, but we couldn't work without them. Art Osborne with the sheriff's department, Greg Lugo, Chuck Wagoner, Chris Stangle and Mike Gifreido. I can't explain to you enough how much these guys do and how much they do for free. And Art works the Farmers Market with me. We're partners over there, and I just couldn't operate without him. And I really, really appreciate what you do. Thank you, Art.
(Presentation made.)
MR. WOODS: Last year the board began recognizing our staff for their years of service. And tonight we will be recognizing some of our staff that has been here for 15 years. And with that, I'll turn it over to Director Limbaugh.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah, Hesperia Days -- we recognized everybody at our evening event we had out at the Lake right before the fireworks. And before that, right before Christmas, we initiated the program about a service because I think -- we all, in public service, believe that the longevity makes an enrichment to our district, and this district is no exception. Because of the longevity, we've managed to maintain a level of programs and keep the level of staff at a -- at a marvelous -- we've never had to, you know, go out and hire a bunch of people to replace people because we have had a very small turnover, so it's about time we recognize people who have been here for a number of years serving you, the community. And I think they've done a very good job of it with the limited amounts of funds that we do have. So these are all -- some of them are longer than 15 years. The longest one -- he's not here tonight. He's been here since 1985, and that's Jesse Renteria. He's not here tonight, but he's going to get one of these lovely clocks when he shows up. Another person that is not here tonight is Judy Trenholm, and she started in 1996. Okay. So now the ones that are here tonight we can recognize. Georgianne Jo Geren. Did I say that right? She started with the district in 1995. Next starting in 1992, Glenda Fisher. Congratulations. Keep up the good work. Now, keep in mind these people aren't retiring; okay? They're still staying on.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: You've got to come back tomorrow.
(Presentation made.)
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The next 15-year recipient started in 1990, so that would be how many years? That would be 22 years -- is Marquise Toner. Thanks, Marquise.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Thanks, Marquise.
MS. THOMAS: Marquise did not start at the lake. Marquise started here at Lime Street.
(Presentation made.)
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Now, this next person -- he's been here -- it seems a lot longer. And he's been involved with every aspect of the district. And he actually -- this thing says he
started in 1984 but it seems like he started longer than that. That's Mr. Don Webb. Thanks, Don.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Thank you, Don.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This one has been here, probably the second longest now. And I guess I remember -- when I first -- probably when Bob and I first joined the board, Rachel was not where she is today, so she's actually moved up quite a bit -- as Lindsay has. But Rachel started in 1986. Rachel Thomas. She doesn't look it, but Rachel is really tough, too, yeah. (Presentation made.)

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Two years ago -- it's been two years since Cal left? Three?

MS. THOMAS: About 15 months.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, it seems a lot longer because Lindsay has taken the reins of the park district here as the GM, and again, another rank mover-upper, and he's done a marvelous job. From my perspective as a board member, and I look forward to either serving you as a -- serving with you as a board member or as a member of the community because you've done an outstanding job for the community representing the park district. Thank you very much, Lindsay. (Presentation made.)

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thank you very much, all of you. At this time we're going to take a break.

Meeting Recessed at 7:24 p.m.
Meeting Reconvened at 7:28 p.m.

STAFF REPORTS

Recreation Programs

MR. WOODS: Recreation report. I'm sure you all looked through it. The one thing that always amazes me is under the district marketing section, on page 5, looking at the number of visits to our Website; Hesperia Days had over 1500 visits. Contract classes, almost 1500. Youth and adult sports, just over a thousand, park and facilities about a thousand. Other activities -- we had 169. It's also amazing to me that Victorville is still the number one resident population that is visiting our Web site. I think that speaks to the -- some of the recent cuts that they've had due to budgetary restrictions.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Absolutely.

MR. WOODS: Any questions on the recreation

Golf Course

MR. WOODS: Moving on to the golf course report, we had 2,496 rounds of golf played for the month of August. And the year-to-date total is 20,064 rounds of golf, which is up if 24 almost 2500 from last year. You can see our Internet --

MS. THOMAS: Tab C.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Page 1, right after the chart.

MR. WOODS: You can see that our e-mail golf promotion for the month of October is an anytime special, $25 before 10:00, $15 after 10:00, $10 after 3:00, and that's green fees and a cart,
and then we have the $5 after 5:00, which is a mix and match, $5 deal that they can do. We're still honoring our competitor's coupons.

**Parks Division**

**MR. WOODS:** Moving on to the maintenance report, page 1 down at Hesperia Lake, you can see that the bottom two bulleted items where we had the drain -- channel drains installed down at the lake. Some of you were able to see that at the John Swisher Community Center when you were down there for Hesperia Days festivities. Staff also installed a new concrete sidewalk that went from the large concrete pad around to the main entry doors, which was nice, and will be an added feature for those that rent the facility for wedding receptions and the like.

**DIRECTOR HAMILTON:** Has it rained yet to see if that really works, Lindsay?

**MR. WOODS:** We did have some rain, and we know that the waterproofing on that exterior of the building worked. There was one little area where they -- we had those lodge poles sticking out. Somebody designed it with a roof drain right over a lodge pole pine, so we've got to do a little bit of patch on the top, but we didn't get the seepage on the inside, but we were still having the problems around the base, but that was prior to the drains being installed.

**DIRECTOR HAMILTON:** Oh, okay.

**MR. WOODS:** Staff did go out and flood the area with hoses, and it did seem to alleviate the problem.

**DIRECTOR HAMILTON:** So tomorrow might be the real test.

**DIRECTOR SWANSON:** Yes.

**MR. WOODS:** It did make a big difference on those issues that we were having at that site. And some of the irrigation and plant material was in, and you were able to see some of that while you were there.

**DIRECTOR HAMILTON:** Yeah, it looked good.

**DIRECTOR CHANDLER:** Yeah, it looked nice.

**MR. WOODS:** We're getting a lot of positives. Steve's been going out and meeting potential renters out at the site, and we've been getting a lot of positive feedback on the plant materials and some new improvements that we're doing on the facility.

**Park Ranger**

**MR. WOODS:** Moving on to the Ranger report. You know, a lot of Jack's activity -- he had 46 activities that were preventative contacts. The majority of them, probably 95 percent, were after-hour park use, getting people off the parks, and then he had about seven that were problem-related -- groups of individuals, dirt bikes, different rule violations. And he has his training listed there as well. Just to note, although it's not in your report because this is a report for August, Jack will be conducting his ranger interviews on Monday, correct, Rachel?

**MS. THOMAS:** No. Friday the 12th.

**MR. WOODS:** So he'll be doing those and so, hopefully, the next couple of months we will have two new rangers to bring for the board to swear in and put into service. Any questions about any of the reports?

**DIRECTOR GREGG:** Just a comment of the ranger report. Noted that two of the problem-related contacts that Jack had to be assisted by Hesperia P.D., so I'll be happy whenever he's able to get some extra help out there to see what's going on. I know that there's some pressing
issues at Malibu Park, and that -- it's not just one or two people that he's dealing with out there. It's multiples, you know, 10, 15 -- Hesperia P.D. removing 14 people from the park, so if the police department is being called out to the parks, then you know, we definitely know our chief ranger has got his hands full, especially with 46 contacts.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Any other comments on the reports?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: How did the park withstand the assault led by the crowd in Hesperia Days?

MR. WOODS: It's a lot of wear.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: It looked great.

MR. WOODS: Staff does a good job going back in and dealing with the wear and tear. We've streamlined the Hesperia Days operation to the point. It used to be it took us almost a week to recover, getting everything back where it needed to be. This year was the first year that on Monday morning -- everything was done before Monday morning. Staff did wonderful job cleaning up after the event, so now we just have to go in and aerate, work on some of the grass issues. Because when you start putting that amount of people in the parks, it has some impact, and we have vehicles on the grass as well. But there was no major damage. Everyone had a great time, and to my knowledge there were no significant problems.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, it looked wonderful.

MR. WOODS: Thank you. I'll pass that along.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Any other comments? Okay.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

F. Approve Exclusive Facility Use Agreement for BMX at Live Oak Park.

MR. WOODS: I would like to introduce Dan Dalton.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, good.

MR. WOODS: We spoke about Dan last month, and I've invited him to come this month and give the board a brief overview of who he is and what he would like to see before we move into looking at this item further. So Dan, if you can come on up.

MR. DALTON: Hi, there.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: "Super volunteer" kind of like thing.

MR. DALTON: Well, I've been in it for quite a while. I've been in it for over 29 years, as far as the BMX community. I've lived here in Hesperian since '72. I started racing bicycles myself at Live Oak Park in 1983, so pretty much when it opened, so it's been quite a while. I did spend a lot of time in, you know, as far as helping run the track itself. I know how much it takes, you know, in the time and effort, you know, to get it going and to keep it going. And you know, I've worked for the BMX, which is a -- just a -- the -- not just the community itself, but as far as manufacturers, it -- I mean, it's -- pretty much my whole life has been BMX. You know, it's not like, you know, I just, you know, came up to, you know, Lindsay, and said, "Hey, you know, I'd like to do this." You know, I've been -- it's been my whole life, so you know, to be able to come into the community here, you know, the town I grew up in. And seeing the kids, you know, riding around town. They don't have nowhere to ride. To reopen this track, I think, would be really, really good for the community of Hesperia. You know, give somewhere for
the kids to go to and try to keep them out of trouble as much as we can. And you know, I
guess that's just about it.
MR. WOODS: That's good.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, you know our board has agreed in the past that we were
going to -- and we did -- we moved the rodeo out, and we were going to build a big BMX track
here, but based on our financials, real tough to do, so we were kind of thinking, okay, well,
what can we do for a small amount of money? And we were probably going to do something,
but to have somebody come and step forward and take this project on is a real good operation
for us. We're a hundred percent behind you, and we talked about it last time. I know you met
with the -- he met with you guys before, right, the committee -
MR. WOODS: He hasn't --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, I thought --
MR. WOODS: He's always been in --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, okay.
MR. WOODS: -- he's been in Vegas at trade shows.
MR. DALTON: I was actually just recently at interbike, they call it. It's the International
Bicycle Trade Show. It's yearly in Las Vegas. Pretty much anybody -- everybody that has to
do with the bicycle industry is there. I've always gone there, you know, myself, and I was able
to meet with one of the other gentlemen ABA/USA BMX as far as, you know, helping to get
the track, you know, going for us. I had never met him before personally. I do know a lot of
people at the ABA/USA BMX, you know, from being in the industry for so long. So I do have
sort of the inside connections. You know, and they're behind me a hundred percent and
behind us, I should say. You know, go with this.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I know before we had a very successful BMX program there when
the Lampignano's were involved with it. They had well over, like, 300, 400 kids involved with
it.
MR. DALTON: Correct, correct.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So it can become a very large program. Being it's an Olympic event
now, and you can travel with it, it's a pretty good deal. So --
MR. DALTON: Even before, I mean, I -- I used to know Don personally. You know, I helped
run the track there, and I mean, even, you know, before those days even, there was probably --
I would estimate at least 80 percent of the kids would ride their bikes to the track at the time.
You know, being such centrally located. You know, parents sometimes, you know, they don't
have, you know, the time, you know, to get off work or something. If you're running during
the summer hours or off hours, you know, and -- but of course, there does have to be a waiver
signed, you know, for the insurance, you know. And as long as they do show their section
card, you know.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Anybody else have any questions of Don?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No. Thank you, Dan.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah.
DIRECTOR GREGG: I -- actually, I do.
MR. DALTON: Sure.
DIRECTOR GREGG: I'm actually the one that kind of initiated -- rejuvenated BMX circuit
back in Hesperia and was happy that the board decided that -- to make the decision. Do you
have any -- do you have any projections of what you think that's -- that the total of the population is going to be for the track at this point?
MR. DALTON: As far as . . .
DIRECTOR GREGG: Riders.
MR. DALTON: Number of riders themselves. As far as starting-out-wise, you know, of course, it's going to -- you know of course, it's going to take that advertisement and just, you know, let people know, you know, that it's back, you know, open again. Not to downgrade anybody, you know, by any means on that. Apple Valley is a long ways away, and I have gone out there to sort of see what the feedback is. And it's just -- it's a long ways out, you know, from anybody, you know. So as far as the rider count -- getting back to you on that -- I think it would be -- it would be well over -- I'm estimating, to start off, 15 Motos. You average four to five riders, you know, on Moto, and we run twice a week.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. So estimating, maybe, 60 riders, then, per night --
MR. DALTON: To start off.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- two times a week.
MR. DALTON: To start off, sure.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Then how close are you going to -- do you anticipate working with, maybe, John David at USA BMX? And then are -- are you in with the crowd of, like, the Mike Redman's and Redman racing and --
MR. DALTON: I've known -- I know Mike very well. I've known Mike for years.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay.
MR. DALTON: He's now running Perris's track. We grew up racing together. Some of the guys at -- I mean, you look at some of the paper stuff. It's still labeled ABA. You know, I -- I raced him for many years, you know, with him. So with John David, a few other gentlemen in there, you know, that I've been able to work with, you know, they're, you know, ready and gung ho for it, you know, so I mean, they're -- you know, basically it's just putting it, you know, our hands or all of our hands, you know, to get it going. And as far as start time, you know, I mean, we could have this thing going, you know, within next couple of months.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: And how are you and the staff here going to promote it to get it going as far as advertising? Is it going to be more word-of-mouth kind of promotion?
MR. DALTON: I mean word-of-mouth is always, you know, a good start. You know, local advertisement, you know. Possibly, you know some Daily Press ads on that. A lot of kids now -- myself even -- you know, some of my businesses that I do -- use Facebook. And the one gentleman that started this, I guess, before I even really came on, he asked me to help, couple of years ago. He started a Facebook page for Hesperia BMX, and he did have, you know, an event during Hesperia Days, what, two years ago? You know, JJ. And I mean, there was, you know, a page on that, and there was a lot of "likes" on it. So -- I mean, that's what kids are drawn towards now is, you know, the Internet and you know, if we do it on that, even, I think we can get a lot out there.
MR. WOODS: And ABA has promotional packages that they send out to the track operators to help them promote. So already-made news releases. You just plug your information in and --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Fill in the blank kind of thing.
MR. WOODS: And then they have poster campaigns and things that you can put up at the schools to draw attention to it.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah.
MR. DALTON: At local bike shops will even give you little hang tags that you hang on the handlebars. You know, in the local bike shops you purchase a bike, receive your first prerace.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Just for information, you've got some pretty good rapport. I talked to the owner of Victorville Bikes --
MR. DALTON: Yeah, Kevin.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- and he's really excited that this track is coming to Hesperia. And then one last comment is that, you know, that --
MR. DALTON: I wasn't even sure if Kevin knew about it.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah, he does.
MR. DALTON: Okay.
DIRECTOR GREGG: I talked to him extensively. But you know, the other thing is Apple Valley is unable to host a state event. They can do the relays and they can do the qualifiers, but that was one big push that Hesperia should make is that we're going to be trying to maybe get some state qualifiers going and bring in some --
MR. DALTON: Some state -- there's a lot of different, you know, like, regional style levels, you know, that they do offer and put on. I don't know why Apple Valley can't get them.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah, they just don't have the room. If you need any information, or if I can help you in any way, let me know. You know, I have a little bit of background in BMX as well. My son was a racer for years.
MR. DALTON: Yes, I mean, as far as Kevin, I mean, Kevin and I -- we've known each other for -- since the '70s, and you know, I wasn't sure. And actually, I was just talking to him in at -- you know, like at Vegas, actually, and you know, it's like I wanted to tell him because we've been friends for so long, but you know, again you always want to sort of keep stuff --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Under wraps.
MR. DALTON: -- you know, quiet until you --
MR. WOODS: I did pull him back up a little bit. Let's make sure we get -- we pull all the appropriate steps.
MR. DALTON: Get everything in line first, you know, before you know, it's out there. And --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Don, we've heard some good things about you from Lindsay at the last board meeting, and you know, it's really important to us that you have the experience and the background and really heart to put into this thing. We know that you'll do that and we know that you're going to do a good job.
MR. DALTON: I'll do that; I appreciate it. I definitely appreciate the time here.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Thanks for coming by. Appreciate that.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thanks, Dan.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Thank you, Dan.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So the item before us on the agenda is to execute, approve the general manager's exclusive use agreement with Mr. Dalton and authorize the general manager to spend up to $15,000 in cooperation with this project. So do we have a motion?

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Swanson, seconded by Director Hamilton and carried unanimously to approve the General Manager execute the Exclusive Use Agreement with Mr. Dalton and authorize the General Manager to use up to $15,000.00 for this project.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Dan, you don't have to stay, if you don't want to. We're done.
MR. DALTON: All right. Well, thank you for your time.
MR. WOODS: Thank you for coming, Dan.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We're actually going to talk about skate board plaza.
MR. DALTON: I'm sorry?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We're going to talk about skate board plaza, which is right next to the ultimate BMX track.
MR. DALTON: Well, I've got to tell Lindsay, what, probably 1972, the actual, first BMX track was right here. I don't know how many people really know that.
DIRECTOR GREGG: What was that?
MR. DALTON: The first BMX track was located just here on the north side of the Lime Street here.
MS. THOMAS: Where the north fields are.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Dan, I remember that.

G. Skate Plaza Project.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Item G. This item is not for action. But it's kind of like an update, would you say?
MR. WOODS: Yes.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And I guess we're going to get something in the future regarding this?
MR. WOODS: Last month we talked about the skate plaza here at Lime Street, and in talking with the owner of Pharmacy, we wanted to move forward in getting to see what the community support was for this. So we generated the news release, sent it out. He has had some people contact him to date, but he's still pulling his resources together, and there's still tweaking on the plans a little bit, so I didn't believe that I was at the point to where I had something to present for any type of action with the board tonight.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Next couple of months? After the first of the year? Sometime in that framework.
MR. WOODS: Hopefully, in the next couple of months.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Right.
MS. THOMAS: And the board did ask for some costs to be brought back, so that is in the expanded.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Good. Anybody have any questions about this item? Okay.

H. Approval of Final Section of the Policy Manual.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Item H. Did everybody bring their marked-up copy? This is the last segment of the policy manual that we're in the process of updating and putting in all the things that we've either changed or modified over the years. And I would assume that after we get through this one issue, we'll get the manuals; right?
MR. WOODS: Correct.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And I think it's available on disc too as well as hard copy; right? It comes in a disc -- you could make a disc out of it instead of carrying around the binder? Is that a possibility?

MR. WOODS: An electronic, PDF document? Much more readily available to somebody, right, than Xeroxing?

MS. THOMAS: If you would like, yes. I can E-mail it to you.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah, like it comes in a PDF file?

MS. THOMAS: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So any way, this last section -- we'll get through it; we'll vote for it tonight. So Kelly, did you have any comments?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yes, page 30. I noticed that every -- anything in italics is changed; correct?

MS. THOMAS: That's what the attorney or we made changes to, yes.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Under "U," citizens' concern, adding anonymous forms will not be acted upon. I just don't know that we ought to put that in there. I think any citizen concern, since we are bound by the city, and we are at the city's -- or at the citizens' relief for their tax dollars, that any report should be acted upon if it's viable and if any information is viable. So to put that into our policy manual as anonymous forms will not be acted upon. I think is -- is circumventing the -- the trust and transparency of the -- of the citizens. So I'd like to look at that and removing four from there. Any action -- I mean, any concern from a citizen is automatic cause for us to look at any item that the citizen --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: How do you define a citizen?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Pardon me?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: How do you define a citizen?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, how do you define a citizen under "U" for --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I'm asking you.

DIRECTOR GREGG: -- for the city of Hesperia?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Because that would apply to anonymous form. If it doesn't tell you -- what if it's somebody from Victorville? What do we care? They don't even live in our district.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, it doesn't -- here's the thing is if it's a -- if it's a viable concern from any citizen, whether it's out of the city or out of the area, it should be looked at because there may be a potential problem there that we should be looking at and addressing.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Even if it's anonymous?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Even -- yeah, even if it's anonymous, absolutely.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The lawyer said no.

MR. WOODS: Betsy -- after talking to her, had --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: How do you follow up with an anonymous --

MR. WOODS: You can't.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, you can still do some --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do they get the form, the information they want?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Still you can do some --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They don't have to put that information.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Still you can do some --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I would disagree.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- investigation to the concern; correct?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I would disagree.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. Well, we can agree to disagree, but you're going to override me with your -- with drowning me out with your voice, Mike. I'm - you asked me for my opinion, and now it's my turn. Can you address your concerns when it's your turn?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That wasn't one of my concerns.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. Well, it was mine, so -- and I'm expressing that.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.
DIRECTOR GREGG: If we need to send it back to legal, then, before we address this policy manual, then maybe we should --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I think she reviewed this already. That was --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, before -- before we had any concerns with it; correct? So I'm just saying that that's a concern I have.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Any concerns --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Any other comment --
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- from anybody should be looked at.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- on that particular item about anonymity?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Also, I had the same question about Green Flag raceway and why we have Green Flag RC raceway rules which Rachel stated that it was -- applies to the RC track --
MS. THOMAS: It was radio control.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- not the Green Flag indoor track.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It should probably say that too.
DIRECTOR GREGG: I had no more concerns about that.
MS. THOMAS: It says Green Flag RC raceway rules. What would you like it to say?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Outdoor.
MS. THOMAS: Outdoor.
MR. WOODS: Well, RC is radio control. Indoor wasn't radio control. It was slot car tracks. We can say radio controlled or -- it may not be an issue because now that --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Because now we're going to do a BMX track.
MS. THOMAS: Correct.
MR. WOODS: Correct. So we'll be working with it.
DIRECTOR GREGG: So getting to your community concern form, is that what you were talking about, which is Appendix 6? The information that they're asking for here?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That was the anonymous --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Is this the form that you're asking me about? So I mean, obviously if the form is not completed as some -- some form of completion, minus the person's name, giving the information, then all the information that's viable and important and pertinent to this district should be looked at, and that's why I say whether it's anonymous or not, shouldn't matter. If there's a concern, a viable concern to this district, it should be looked at, whether it's anonymous or not.
MR. WOODS: All community concern forms are looked at. It's whether or not there's action taken because if somebody said we saw the staff member doing this, this, and this, this day, this time, and we can't verify that with somebody, there's not going to be any action, necessarily, taken. The concern may be discussed with staff, but we're not going to take any --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, being "discussed with" means you're going to take action on it; correct? If there's some sort of concern, it means that you're going to take action on it; correct?
MR. WOODS: We're going to look at it, but it doesn't necessarily mean that there will be an action.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. But to totally eliminate the possibility of any action being taken on an anonymous report is -- does not -- does not sit well with me.
MR. WOODS: Okay.
DIRECTOR GREGG: All right.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Especially if it's safety-related.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Absolutely.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Obviously, you're going to look at that and take care of it.
DIRECTOR GREGG: But this says they will not be acted upon, period. Will not be acted upon. Not "may." If it said "may" -- may not be acted upon would be totally different. This says "will not." That's all I have.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH : I don't know. Ask Betsy what she thinks. I mean, what is our obligation if something that's -- I mean --
DIRECTOR GREGG: We can get all kinds of --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Is employee taking information?
DIRECTOR GREGG: We can get all kinds of information from Betsy but the thing is, it's the responsibility of this board to set policy and that's where we're at. We're looking at policy now. Okay? There again, citizens of the community, whether it be a citizen from Victorville or a citizen from Hesperia, if they have a viable complaint with the district, that --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I agree.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Especially if it's in safety --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I agree.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- then we need to look at it.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: If you see -- if you get a form that somebody didn't put their name on it and it says we saw a pack of dogs running through the park, you need to do something about dog thing. Of yours, you're not going --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Of course not.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Come on.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I guess what I'm saying is I maybe agree with Kelly. "May not be acted upon."
DIRECTOR GREGG: Agree.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That would give you the flexibility to either act or not act, depending on what they put it in.
DIRECTOR GREGG: We're setting policy language here, and I mean, you asked me to go through this and --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That's right.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- exactly what --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That's a good point. To substitute the word "may" to make an absolute in this particular case is probably wrong. Because if you do get something that's legitimate, that nobody -- here it's up to I put this in, but it still is a concern, like Bob brought, it could be a safety issue.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Correct. We get anonymous calls all the time. Do we act on everything? No, but do they act on critical information?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Even if they're anonymous.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Most all we --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: "I saw the neighbor choking somebody at 724 West Lane," you know. They're going to send a car there.
MR. WOODS: Would you like to see me add that to the form to where it says down here a note, anonymous complaints may not be acted upon?
MS. THOMAS: On the actual concern form?
MR. WOODS: On the actual form? So person knows that hey, I'm better off to --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Sure. I mean, at least you're giving a disclaimer to the person filling out the form. But I'm saying as a --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And there may be --
DIRECTOR GREGG: As a cautionary remark from this board is, is that if you get some concern that -- I don't care if it's from a citizen from Victorville or Antelope Valley, that this district or management representation would act upon it, if it's that viable and it's that much of a concern for a citizen to write it down, period. And if it's between safety-related, this -- the management staff from this district better be looking at it.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: From my perspective, I'm very comfortable with that language. I think it's a very good solution to the issue because it does allow someone that doesn't want to sign it the opportunity to give input. But also, if we need -- you know, by having you guys put that at the bottom of the form, if we need the information where we had to have somebody to come forth, then they're realizing it, so I think it's a good idea. I think we ought to put "may" in there and put it on the form too.
MR. WOODS: Okay.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. Okay?
DIRECTOR GREGG: That's all I have.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That's good. Just making sure that's what you wanted.
MR. WOODS: Just to clarify, if we did have an anonymous safety complaint that's coming in, we do look at it, and I think when we were looking at this, we were thinking about somebody that said, "Well, this employee treated me this way or said this or said that --"
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anything else?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Just the Green Flag. That was it.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bob, you've got a lot of writing on there.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yeah, I know. And I'm trying to find out -- because I think I missed --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do you want to skip and --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yeah, let me come back.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Rebekah?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Why didn't you --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: I didn't have anything.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, all right. Just a little thing. It says on the -- it's not paginated. It's, "Welcome to Hesperia Golf and Country Club. No personal ice chest allowed."
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Would you tell us where you're at?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Ice chests.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: She can go back again.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Where is it in here?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Well, it's not paginated.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It's not paginated.
MS. THOMAS: It's Number 4. Are you talking about this where it says up here, Number 4?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: It's at the top under rules, Mike?
MS. THOMAS: Number 4.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, yeah.
MS. THOMAS: Number 4, Hesperia Golf and Country Club.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It's just -- it's just a little --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Put the --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: And then --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Can we go back for a second? Why did -- what were you taking --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It said "personal ice chest." It's just --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: And that's the --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: -- instead of ice chests.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This one?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Oh, you mean the singular?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, it should be plural, not singular.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Where is this, Rebekah, now?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It's such a small thing, you guys. It's just a grammar thing.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Did we run this through a grammar program before we actually
DIRECTOR SWANSON: But grammar --
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- publish it?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: -- wouldn't pick that up; grammar check wouldn't pick it up. I just
thought -- Number nine says "Walkman." So that's, like, so archaic on page 7, Power Play,
facility rule.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No personal coolers?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: No, it's --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: It's still plural.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: I don't know. No, because but you could put iPods in there and that
wouldn't cover it either. Personal sound equipment probably covers it. I know Walkman just
seemed odd to me. Because that's like --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's like --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: -- when I was young. Yeah. And the other thing is the -- one of the
appendices is a -- and I think I talked to you about this before, Rachel, there's a recording file --
Appendix 7, and there's a second page. Could we update this? It's from the county. Can we
get a more current -- because you wouldn't --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Child abuse reporting?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: The information sheet. Could we do a more updated one? This one
is dated --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: '90.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: And it has --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: September '90.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah. I think they probably have a newer one.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Actually, the form is from '87.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: And it -- yeah.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.
MR. WOODS: We'll look and see if they have anything.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: I hope they do. I would think so. After 1990 or 1987? It just includes a photograph I don't think that they would currently include.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: The backside?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah.
MR. WOODS: Well, if nothing else, we can always change that.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: They have to have a new form.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So let's --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: And I did -- and guys, the -- I'm sorry. The area code for Barstow is no longer 619. Just, you know -- you know, update.
MR. WOODS: Okay.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So update the child abuse reporting thing. Mr. Jack?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No, I don't have anything.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bob? Are you ready to go? You know, for any of you, if you have other corrections that you find over the next -- after this meeting, and things that you would like to -- you don't have to -- you know, they can make the correction after this meeting. It's not -- this is a living document, so if you find something else that needs to be changed --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No, Mike, that -- we're going to --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, but I mean if it's something substantive that needs to be changed, like that child-abuse thing. That's outdated.
MS. THOMAS: It's an appendix, it doesn't need to come --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: But it should be updated.
MS. THOMAS: Right, but it isn't something that we need to bring to the board.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No, but I'm --
DIRECTOR GREGG: But check the -- the language does; correct?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, changing the language needs to be approved here. Like if we vote to do this tonight, we'll --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, I understand that, yeah.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Okay.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: But I mean if -- like, in the next couple of days they get something --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, I --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- that is substantive, they should call or e-mail it and say, "Oh, by the way I found this. This is out of date, or this is wrong, we don't do this anymore."
DIRECTOR GREGG: So are you proposing to change the language on Number 9 on the Power Play Center?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Which one was that?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Number 9.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Where is that, Kelly?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Under the Power Play -- I mean, it was a concern of Rebekah's -- under 7, Power Play Center.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It's just making updating it. I do propose that change.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Just to "no personal sound equipment"?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah.
DIRECTOR GREGG: You mean that can't bring --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Ear phones.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- big old boom boxes on there?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Although they used to do that with the --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Or the rules for --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It doesn't say boom box, though. Because they can carry a boom box, their own personal --
DIRECTOR GREGG: She's right, it's the --
MR. WOODS: Remember, a lot of this information is dated because it's been years since the board has looked at this. And we're going to periodically go through this, so this shouldn't happen again in the future.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bob?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Well, back to the Power Play Center. There's -- Number 16 -- it says zero tolerance facility. I don't even know what that means.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: We don't tolerate anything.
MR. WOODS: Pretty much what that means, if -- it means any unacceptable behavior is not going to be tolerated.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Isn't zero tolerance usually defined, though?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Pardon me?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Like, what's -- Rebekah, what is zero tolerance at the school?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: No drugs, no alcohol.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's specific? Has specific things? It doesn't say anything the teacher deems zero?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: No, it's from a very specific list -- locking blade knives, it's all beyond a certain --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I just don't understand -- I think -- it's just appears to me that there's no foundation to it. It's just a statement.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Pretty broad statement.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Do you want to eliminate it, Bob?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yeah, I just don't see any --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Or --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Well, because almost everything else is --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: You could have -- you could have zero tolerance policy on the whole district.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Well, we have horse play is prohibited --
MR. WOODS: At the -- at the time when we first purchased that facility --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: You have to have a horse.
MR. WOODS: -- we hired a roller rink manager from Holiday, and this was the language that they brought over to us, so at the time -- it may not be adequate, just like Walkmans anymore. We have other ways to deal with --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, like Mike said, Number 17 is really a catch-all. Your Power Play Center -- and I would actually almost put staff -- Power Play Center staff --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah.
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- reserves the right to refuse service to anyone for any reason.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So it doesn't give anybody that's nonstaff --
DIRECTOR GREGG: That's right.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- the authority.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: I would agree with that.
DIRECTOR GREGG: And to eliminate the zero tolerance policy because pretty much every -
zero tolerance is a blanket statement; it's an overbroad statement.
MR. WOODS: Okay.
DIRECTOR GREGG: We use security all the time, but I'm just saying it's --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Just another observation that I made about the whole thing was
specific leaders -- something that I wanted to bring up, and that is, I've noticed that in Jack's
report, a lot of the incidents that he -- that he handles are related to, you know, having people
leave the park after -- after hours. And I think I'm having to admit my ignorance here. I'm not
sure, but are the park hours posted on all of our parks?
MR. WOODS: No, they're not posted for hours. Our rules say, "Parks are open during
daylight hours only, from dawn to dusk, except for special events. Park closes immediately
after such events end." And -- "Vehicles left in the parking lot --" blah, blah, blah. So it's --
depends on what time of year it is. If you go do L.A., L.A. has a 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., no
matter what time of the year it is. We go, basically, dusk to dawn.
DIRECTOR GREGG: But those are all posted; right?
MS. THOMAS: Dawn to dusk.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Those are all posted all over?
MR. WOODS: Correct. It's on there, but there is --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Dusk to dawn?
MR. WOODS: No hours.
MS. THOMAS: Not 6:00 a.m. to --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah, but dusk to dawn?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Just something to consider, we might want to establish some hours.
Obviously, 11 o'clock is dark. So are -- you know, you could make it 9 o'clock, I don't care, but
something just to think about. Something that is a little more specific than --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: I think we give Jack the leeway to decide that it's --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: What do other people do with parks?
MR. WOODS: That's in our ordinances, so this rule is a reflection of our ordinance that says
that parks are only open dusk to dawn. You run into some --
MS. THOMAS: Dawn to dusk.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Sorry. Dawn to dusk. There's -- you know, some of our facilities are
not lit, so let's use Hesperia Lake -- the soccer fields. We wouldn't want to say 9 o'clock
because they're out there running around on soccer fields. They can get injured because the
facility is not lit. So really, the parks all close as soon as the sun goes down, unless you're here
for an activity, which the fields are lit for.
MS. THOMAS: Like baseball or softball.
MR. WOODS: And that changes throughout the year. Right now it's getting dark at, what,
6:00 or 6:30?
MS. THOMAS: It's going to be earlier.
MR. WOODS: So if you say 9:00, then we have people out on the facilities that should be closed. Timberlane Park is a great example of a facility that shouldn't be open past dark. There's no interior lighting at the facility, except for security -- lighting on the --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Generally, in our parks, isn't there like an ingress/egress from where they would park in the --

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- park? So if you put a sign -- I mean, it's an additional cost, but if you put some sort of sign that only dealt with the opening times of the park, even though it didn't specify hours, but you said, very clearly, "Park closes after sunset."

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah, this facility --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So -- because nobody -- I mean, even I am guilty of this: I don't read all those -- when I'm walking, I don't read all the rules because I'm going to leave after the sun goes down because I know; okay? So I don't read all the rules. So a lot of people don't even -- if you took a poll, wouldn't know when the park closes. You know, they would think it's open for all night long. So if you had a sign where most people walk, or if you could figure out where that place would be, that might be a good -- like, at all the beaches, you know, in California, they have that thing right where you walk on the beach.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Do you think a sign is going to stop the people --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: -- Mike, that he -- that Jack has to run off anyway?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No. That's probably true.

MR. WOODS: And that's why when we have these rules signs up, we try to put them at the entrances. And that's the enforcement tool. The rules are posted at the general entry areas, and we do have parks that need signs put up, but we've been waiting for you to approve these rules before we repost, in case you have changes to them.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Now, Lindsay and I had talked previous to the meeting about some of these issues, and my suggestion was overall -- was just condense some of these things. I notice that a lot of these rules are repetitious. I realize that we're a diverse park -- we have water issues to think about; we have equestrian groups; all these different things and they all need their own -- basically their own set of rules, so I understand that. But I noticed an example, as far as the equestrian, the rules that pertain to the equestrian groups, there's a -- one in there for -- that has to do with fishing, and I -- you know, I just don't think that belongs there. So I would just say when we have the time to go back and maybe streamline these things a little bit -- because I -- you know, if I were to come here and camp and go to the lake to fish and walk my dog and have a picnic, I'd be subjected to about 72 different rules. And I -- in some way I just hope that we can condense these a little bit.

MR. WOODS: And just to answer that statement, Bob, the reason, is because the people that were camping in the equestrian area might not -- we don't have the fishing rules posted at the equestrian camp site, so those people thought that they could go fishing, so that's why we included it on their rules for their area so that they would be notified. Just because you pay to camp, doesn't mean that you can go fishing at our lake after hours.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Right. One final thing, and that is, we have a five-mile an hour speed limit down at the lake, but I think that's the only park where that pertains to that, so I think that all of our -- should be governed by that speed limit, five miles an hour.
MR. WOODS: So you would like to see five-mile-an-hour posted --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Probably a --
MR. WOODS: -- a five-mile-an-hour sign --
MS. THOMAS: In the parking lots?
MR. WOODS: Or do you want it on the rules?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I think it should be in the brochure that we send out annually and quarterly or whatever. All of these things, you know, maybe just -- those standardized things, just like your dog leash has to be six feet long. All of those things should be standardized.
MR. WOODS: So add it to the actual rules? It said speed limit in park facility --
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I think people should be --
MR. WOODS: -- five miles per hour?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: -- made aware of -- somehow or another -- that the speed limit in all of our parks is 35 miles an hour.
MR. WOODS: How about five?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Five.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Five miles an hour. Excuse me.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Thirty-five. You scared me for a minute, Bob.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anybody traveling over 35 will be ticketed.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: No. Five miles an hour. Excuse me.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Zero tolerance.
DIRECTOR GREGG: These are the golf courts too; right?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Don't start on golf carts. I wasn't going that fast.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That's a good one, about five miles an hour. So we have a couple facilities that are --
MR. WOODS: The question would be to the board -- because my problem, especially with that one, would be is if I put it on the rules as everybody has said, nobody reads it. Where if I put a five-mile-an-hour speed limit sign at the entrance of the parks, then that's a recognizable standard that people will realize, and it's probably a big enough safety issue that that's what I would recommend that we do.
DIRECTOR GREGG: So it's going to be --
MR. WOODS: Now, if we want to identify it as ordinances or something down the road, we could add that in, but just posting that, I don't think requires that we have to add it to the rules. We would just put up five-mile-an-hour speed limit signs at the facilities.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: That sounds like a good idea.
MR. WOODS: Does that work for the Board?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Maybe it's something the safety committee could recommend.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: It's recommended.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, yeah, I mean, it sounds good.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So we only have a parks where the road -- they have the travel on the road. Most of the facilities you enter a parking lot. What's the speed limit of a parking lot by Code? Five miles an hour?
MR. WOODS: It's four and a half. Five.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Four and a half.
MR. WOODS: It's just at every entrance, we've had the rules and the signs --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The speed limit – five miles an hour?
MR. WOODS: The speed limit sign.
DIRECTOR GREGG: You put it in one, though, you might as well put it in all and standardize across the board.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Sure.
MR. WOODS: Right. And we're going to have to spend a little bit of money on -- because if you've looked at our rule signs, they're not in good repair. We're going to need to do something, and we --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I like that sunset.
DIRECTOR GREGG: I was -- since -- now, that you just mentioned that.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Why wouldn't we just increase the font size of park hours, sunrise to sunset -- or dawn to dusk?
MR. WOODS: How about if I take that, and I change the font color possibly?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Sure.
MR. WOODS: To make it bright or red or something to draw attention to that one specific.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yep.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They'll see it when they get there at 9:00.
MR. WOODS: The problem is when you're driving in the car, you're not going to read the sign due to the font sizes.
DIRECTOR GREGG: And if you put it at the bottom and increase the font size and change the color, then you would probably be --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Get some more attention.
MR. WOODS: I'll work on that. Anything else?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: No, that's it for me.
MR. WOODS: Good comments.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thanks, Bob.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Mike, you've got anything?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah, mine's on the first page on Item N. "Any increases not to exceed 5 percent or the inflation, a utility inflation rate." What's the utility inflation rate?
MR. WOODS: That's a good question. I do not know.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I found a bunch of other things, but I'm not -- they're more like -- the one that you brought up --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: I thought that meant, like, utilities.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I don't know what that means.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Electricity, gas.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I don't know. I -- where do you get that term from? Inflation -- you can type in the computer, and it will give you inflation rate for your zip code or your county.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It will?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. You can find those. They're usually dated, though. They're actually six months out of date. So I'm just --
MR. WOODS: So would you like to see us strike that?
DIRECTOR SWANSON: For the inflation rate?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I think it's pertinent that you --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Take out utility?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- basically say you're going to change the charges to the facilities as it costs more to operate it, more or less. I mean, you know, we've never really -- other than the horse people -- we've never really been, you know, real poignant about setting rates that are out -- outrageous or ridiculous. They've always been commonsense, I think, I guess. So other than -- so I -- no, I've never seen anybody tie -- I haven't been here very long, but -- I haven't seen any tie it to that criteria.

MR. WOODS: Unless the thought was that if somebody was using a facility and Edison doubled rates or double-digit increased, then we might say, "Hey, your use has -- they've increased your fees, and we're going to have to look at increasing because of that amount."

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Why do we even need that statement at all? The whole line? I mean, am I missing something? You know. "The general manager would recommend at the board's direction, increase/decrease facility fees and change, if needed, to cover district's direct cost to operate the facility." Do you think that --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You're not limiting yourself either way.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: I mean, to me that would be simpler.

MR. WOODS: I'll check and make sure with Betsy that there's no legislation that requires that we can't increase more than 5 percent before we -- anything else, Mike?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, that's it. So we're not acting on this today, are we?

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: I was going to make a motion that we approve it as amended.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Yeah, no, we can -- let's do that, yeah. Approve it, based on the discussion here and amendments; okay? Do you want to make that motion?

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, if you're ready. Are you ready?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. I have just one question: So you're going to fold this in with the other two sections that we've reviewed, and that will now become our policy manual?

MR. WOODS: Correct.

MS. THOMAS: Not real quickly, though.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Sometime in the future?

MS. THOMAS: The auditors are here.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Sometime in the future.

MS. THOMAS: Within the next month, yeah.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MS. THOMAS: But not next week.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Hamilton, seconded by Director Chandler and carried unanimously to approve the final Section of the Policy Manual as amended.

I. Caretaker Facilities.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. The next item. Kelly, you mentioned to me at the last meeting, and I think you had some conversation with Director Lindsay about the care facilities?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Actually, if we can move that -- move that to the November meeting, so I can give you some more information.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All right. Is there any action that you would anticipate for this -- this -- would you want to delve into action or more of a review?
DIRECTOR GREGG: Review in November.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. We're going to remove it to November for review.

SPECIAL REPORTS

General Manager
MR. WOODS: Hesperia Days -- great events. A lot of positive feedback from the community. Most of you were there. The fireworks show was the best that I can ever recall us having, and that's not because I forgot what we had last year; it was just a great show.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: It was.
MR. WOODS: Everybody enjoyed it. And we did not have any major incidents, accidents, nothing happened, and everybody had a great time.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Any more discussion, Lindsay, regarding the city's wanting us to participate on a different level or --
MR. WOODS: I haven't spoken with the city manager about that. We did send them their bill for their portion of the fireworks show, as was previously arranged. We did generate about $3,500, so we would cover our $2,500 and give them a thousand dollar credit towards --
MS. THOMAS: Right. They were billed for --
MR. WOODS: The balance.
MS. THOMAS: -- the 65 instead of 75.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: So they probably would be happy with that.
MS. THOMAS: We haven't heard anything, and the bill was mailed the beginning of last week, I believe.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, that's -- come on. A month hasn't gone by.
MS. THOMAS: Yeah.
MR. WOODS: I would like to point on the attachment there's the list of people that did support the fireworks show via the donations. So if you're out and about, or you see these individuals or businesses you might want to thank them for their donation. We went to the Walmart grand opening and were presented with a $2,000 check, 500 of which of was specifically donated for the 5K run. They also gave us about $500 worth of water for Hesperia Days, and that gave us about $1,500 in cash that they just donated to us along with their few schools and also the Boys and Girls Clubs.
MS. THOMAS: And PAL. But we have not received anything besides this (indicating).
MR. WOODS: So the Walmart grand opening was good. They said -- the night before grand opening they said a lot of nice, kind words about the agency and they're looking forward to working with us on other projects, and I'm glad that we have a good relationship. We did invite Mr. Shy, their general manager, to our staff gathering down at Hesperia Lake, and I'm looking forward to seeing what that's going to lead to in the future.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Very nice family.
MR. WOODS: We already spoke about the John Swisher, and we did our years of service for the employees that have been here for ten years. Several of them were the same ones that were here tonight. Regina Ollis was not here tonight, but everybody else, with the exception of Candi, they were very appreciative of the fact that we were recognizing their years of service.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And we'll continue to do so over the course of business.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, because I think it is a wonderful idea.
MR. WOODS: So our plan is in the next few months that we'll be recognizing our 20-years people at upcoming board meetings, so we're working on that. Policy Manual is taken care of. ADA evaluation and reserve studies. You can see the number of people that have downloaded the information, and we'll see what we get as far as submissions. The Hesperia Lake camping promotion this month is $25 per night for camping. That's a savings of $10, we've done things on Facebook; we've done things through direct mail, the Web site, the publication, news releases. So we're hoping that people will take advantage of that. We've talked about Hot Rod Halloween. We've talked about the health and safety fair, and then you have my cost-saving idea on there. I don't know if anybody has any feedback on that or not. And we're still mulling it around, but if anybody has any feedback I'd be interested to hear it. Other than that, I have no other items for the board.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I would like say something about the financial reports. In your packet you have three reports this month, and I did review the end of the year, and I would encourage you guys to look at that. If you look at the total expenses and total revenues, park district did pretty good last year. It's not audited yet. Do we have auditors for this year?
MS. THOMAS: Yes. They started yesterday.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So this will probably be the first year we've had a reasonable time after the close of the fiscal year to audit; right? This will be good.
MS. THOMAS: We're all excited about it. So are they.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The audit committee will be very interested to see --
DIRECTOR GREGG: Same auditors we had last year too. I met with them at --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: To see -- to see what we've --
DIRECTOR GREGG: -- in San Diego.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All right. But I did that little comparison, and the only one that looked out of whack was the park center, believe it or not, because we spent a lot of opinion money fixing it up this past year to the tune of, like, 90 grand. We did $85,000 worth of work there. So anyway . . .
DIRECTOR GREGG: That was the roof, wasn't it?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This doesn't say on this report. I couldn't remember.
MS. THOMAS: Where are you? You're on what month -- the final?
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah, it said 84,727, two big things.
MS. THOMAS: Right. The amount of the 35,879.88 was for Corona's payment, and the other was the roof.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anything else, Lindsay?
MR. WOODS: No.

Board Member Reports

Recreation Foundation – Chandler/Gregg
The report is in the notebooks

Tri- Agency – Chandler/Swanson
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Tri-Agency met today. Rebekah and Bob?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yeah, it was great. As a matter of fact, Lindsay, I wanted to compliment you on that, and the way you represent the district at those meetings.
MR. WOODS: Thank you.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Uh-huh. You always have.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Something that Lindsay does, which I think is very beneficial to the district, and that is that he tries to incorporate or tries to do his best to help out in just little ways with the city and the school district both. A good example is this (indicating). You know, he showed everyone there at the meeting this brochure, and in conversation with the representative from the city, he decided to ask them to -- if they wanted to, they could incorporate some of their event times and things within our brochure. Little things like that, I mean, that are good. And I really appreciate the effort you put into your position as trying to get along with other agencies and to help the district out that way.

MR. WOODS: Thank you.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I thought Bob had a really good, important point to make about how useful this meeting is between our agencies because so many times we're not sure what's exactly going on in, and this helps us work together as far more of a cohesive force of our city, and I think it's been -- it has been beneficial as Bob noted, and I appreciate your comments, Bob. I thought that was timely. The city was talking about the bridge, and in the past they've done the punch-through at the end of September. I guess it's quite spectacular.

DIRECTOR HAMILTON: It's fun to see, if you haven't seen it.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: And then when they're done, we'll have a BMX track for them in two weeks. The interchange is out to bid and they expect to have groundbreaking in December. They're going to add some bike paths, I think, around the Paseo area that they just completed on the 8th, which is not our own Paseo, as the representative from the city seemed to think. They are going to start the Ranchero widening from two to four lanes. And the movie theater is set to open by Thanksgiving. And Lindsay came up with a very big concern, which is that we are having our tree lighting on the 29th, and that's about when that -- the theater is opening, and we might have some parking issues there. And then a city representative, who is Georgia, agreed to take that back to the city. I think that was a really good thought. Nice on-the-fly thinking by our GM.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The movie theater is opening before the 29th.

MS. THOMAS: They're saying by Thanksgiving.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, and I didn't think about that being a consideration until Lindsay brought that up. The fire station 301 has been closed since last year. That's the one on 11th. And they did find funds to rebid the job, and the groundbreaking will be November 28th, and they may rehire some firefighters, and --

MS. THOMAS: If they get that grant.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: -- if they get the grant. So it will be -- we'll have eyes on that. There's going to be a community cleanup day on October 27th. Mark talked about the -- for the school district -- Mark McKinney, the superintendent, talked about the kids who came out that had perfect CST scores, either in math or language or history. There's a number of different things as kids get older -- science. I was in that meeting, and I just -- that positive energy, and the kids were just so pleasant to watch. They just were a treat. That was an excellent board meeting because that's what we are here for. You know, it's our community -- the heart. Just like we take care of their kids for recreation that was taking care of our kids and acknowledging them for their acumen. Principal for a day is coming up next week, and parent coordinating council is having a book sale in December on the eighth, which is, I believe, the second Saturday -- 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Hesperia High. And you can't beat the deals they've got there, really. And that benefits our kids. So that's -- that's all I have.
Safety and Security – Chandler/Hamilton
No meeting held.

Personnel Committee – Hamilton/Limbaugh
No meeting held.

Golf Course Ad Hoc Committee – Hamilton/Limbaugh
No meeting held.

Skate Plaza and BMX Ad Hoc Committee – Chandler/Hamilton
No meeting held.

Audit Ad Hoc Committee – Limbaugh/Gregg
No meeting held.

Other Related Business
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We had no other committee meetings, so no other reports. So no other reports, so any other related business?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: I would like us to put on the agenda at some point in the future, as a cost-savings event or, you know, for some discussion via the staff, to determine that, but board conferences. I would like to see us put some kind of limitation on that, in terms of yearly -- you know, my initial thought would be something to the -- you know, going to the CSDA or going to, you know, the -- what's the other one called? CARPD? And then if somebody felt like they needed to go to both of those, they would bring it back to the board and get permission. I'm not saying they couldn't do that. That's their prerogative as a board member, but maybe somehow put in our policy that we would allow for one of those two conferences a year and limit it that way. And then if it was a necessity, they could, you know, come back to the board and get permission.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.
DIRECTOR SWANSON: And say if Mike has some kind of a thing, sitting on committee or something like that.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: And by me saying that --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: They could put you on another committee.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, I don't feel like there's been any abuse or anything. I'm not even complaining. I just think it would be a good thing is to look at that and then --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's not cheap. If you go away for three or four days --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, and it --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- it's not cheap.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: -- would be more strategic. You know, which one you're going to go to or even your own personal schedule.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Right.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: I don't know how to do that though, Mike, so how do you want to do that? Do I just say --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You just have to -- you did it; you did it.
MS. THOMAS: Yes we will put it on.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Sometime after the first of the year?
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Sure. It would be a good discussion item.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And it would probably contain some of what -- what we spent in the past because I think we need to get a handle on the number.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Well, I don't know if I would --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, that's -- we would want to see it, though. Because then it's --
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No, but that --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That may shock you.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: No, no, I don't disagree with that part, but I don't know if, like, in the policy I would want to put a limit on the money part because that gets kind of screwy where you -- because sometimes they put you in a situation, and you can't get out of it.
DIRECTOR GREGG: And then if we -- you know if you guys suggest that, that was going to be another -- probably another topic item that I was going to address, too, in November, that we're going to extend that to staff as well. And that -- I mean, if -- we don't need to send five board members to a conference, so if we send three board members or two board members to a conference and one staff member, that those two board members will come back and give a report to the board.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Exactly.
DIRECTOR GREGG: And that would cost --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I'm all for limiting the travel.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Yeah, that's kind of what I --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Because I don't like to do it.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: That's kind of what I was saying. Like three of you could go to one and two to the other or something like that.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Exactly.
DIRECTOR GREGG: Fine.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: And I just think that's a good thing for us to --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: -- have some self-limitations. And I don't think there's been any abuse, Mike. So I'm --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, I -- and I think the policy is very liberal about that. It's a discretionary policy, but in order to make it more useful, for us as a board, but we -- maybe we should ratchet it down a little bit.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: Okay. That's fine. One of the things when I was on the school board, that's what we did. And it was kind of -- when I initiated that, you know, people felt like that I was making some comment like there was some abuse.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: And there wasn't.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I understand.
DIRECTOR HAMILTON: But I just felt like it was just good limitation.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. Bob?
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yeah, I noticed when -- the BMX contract -- there was a section in there that talked about lighting events at night, and they needed approval from the district, and just reminded of our Edison bills and how expensive they are. And I'm not -- you know, I'm -- that event is going to be a good event, no matter what, but just something to keep in mind, we do spend a lot of money on Edison bills, and I don't know how we can circumvent some of those costs, but it's always something to keep in mind. Also, thank you for getting the museum straightened out -- that drainage problem. And from what I understand, Lindsay,
you spent your -- some time yourself down there waterproofing that building, so thank you
for chipping in down there and getting it done.
MR. WOODS: Happy to help.
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: That's it.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Kelly?
DIRECTOR GREGG: No.
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Great Hesperia Days. And also, I think it's wonderful we
started the employee recognition thing. And what you talked about – the school district, city,
and park getting together, that, in fact, is the essence of special districts. Normally, you don't
have that in a lot of communities because they're so divided in their roles that they don't face
any of the issues, even though they might serve the same populace, which we pretty much do
here in our town of Hesperia. So yeah, that's a big identity crisis for special districts that -- we
can build those partnerships, and that makes them – every involved party in those things --
DIRECTOR SWANSON: That was Mr. --
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- to go, you know, and that's going to be one of the big things that's
going to come out probably in the next five or ten years about special districts. Because there's
a lot of people in California that don't think special districts should be in existence. So anyway
that's all I have.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by declaration by President Limbaugh at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,