

**HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

**March 13, 2013**

**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, Cowan, Swanson  
**BOARD ABSENT:** None  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Woods, Thomas, Cook, McAnulty

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATION**

1. Association of the San Bernardino County Special District notice for Membership Meeting dated March 18, 2013.
2. Email from ASBCSD to the Robert A. Scherer Scholarship Award winner, District employee Joseph Aceves.
3. Letter from Director Rebekah Swanson to the Board of Directors and Staff of Hesperia Recreation and Park District, dated March 1, 2013.
4. Newspaper article, February 13, 2013, Daily Press, "Batter Up!"
5. Newspaper article, February 22, 2013, Daily Press, "Trainer of champs, father to many"
6. Newspaper article, March 5, 2013, Hesperia Star, "Resource Faire aimed to inform seniors"
7. Tiny Tots Class Evaluations.
8. Best Friends Class Evaluations.
9. Itty Bits Class Evaluations.
10. Kinder Kids Class Evaluations.
18. Youth Fall Volleyball Evaluations
19. Tiny Tots Evaluations.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH:** Written and oral communications, we did get a written one from the Equestrian Council Mr. Teran is going to be talking later on. And what's this thing here?

MR. WOODS: That's an opinion from the attorney for the Board.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So that's another communication?

MR. WOODS: Correct.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do you have any oral communications?

MR. WOODS: I do not.

## CONSENT ITEMS

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Next item on our agenda is Consent Items. That includes the minutes from the last meeting, the payment of the bills, staff reports, which we'll talk about later -- we don't have any bids today, and we do have one reject damage claim that's in here on the consent calendar.

MR. WOODS: And that is the approval of the minutes from the Board workshop.

MS. THOMAS: The January Board workshop.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Chandler, seconded by Director Swanson and carried unanimously to approve Consent Items A through D:

- A. Approved Minutes for the Board Workshop, January 23, 2013.
- B. Approved Claims for Payment.
- C. Accepted written staff reports.
- D. Authorization to advertise for bids: None
- E. Reject Damage claim – Daniel Armenta.

## PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Next is Proclamations and Presentations, and I'll turn that over to Director Woods.

MR. WOODS: Well, as the Board knows, we've been getting our employees caught up on the years of service, and one of our employees, Jesse Renteria, has been with the District 27, almost 28 years. Jesse had some medical issues and was off for a while. And during that time, we recognized staff that had been here 15 years and 20 years. We're still working on the 25 years, which is Mr. Renteria and Rachel. And we wanted to bring him in, now that he's back to work, and allow the Board the opportunity to present him with his years of service. So if I can have the Board come forward. Jesse, if you could come up?

(Pictures are taken.)

MR. RENTERIA: Thank you, guys, for all your support and all your prayers. This is a great place to work. Thank you for Lindsay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: He's like the boy of the decade, and he's a miracle man.

MR. WOODS: There are employees that you miss, and then there are employees that you miss. While Jesse was gone, his 27 years of experience and knowledge of where things were, where water lines were that weren't on any of the maps, and those types of things, were horribly missed.

MR. RENTERIA: Thank you, guys.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thank you.

MR. WOODS: And next, we have our photo contest winners, and Brandon McAnulty, our recreation supervisor, will be making those representations.

MR. MCANULTY: Good evening, Board. And yeah, feel free to just stay right there. I've got a few presentations and more handshakes to do here. As you may know, in the fall, we ran our first "Parks Make Life Better" Photo Contest, and we received many submissions. In January, we selected ten finalists that were posted on our Facebook page, and voting commenced amongst the public to pick the top five photos. Amongst those photos, the first place winner was going to be featured on our Spring 2013 publication, which will be out next week. The 2nd to 5th place winners will be featured on the back cover of that same publication. And I invited the top five winners tonight to meet you guys, to present them a little something, and to congratulate them for a job well done. All right. I'll start -- how about 5th place? 5th place, she did not make it to the meeting tonight. Her name was Ladonna Simpson, and I'll just share with you the photo that Ladonna submitted and finished 5th place. There we go. Those are her grandkids. I think grandkids were a theme in this -- you'll see in a little bit here. Our 4th place winner is Linda Rae Burdick. If you could come on up, Linda.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Are you a professional photographer?

MR. MCANULTY: She is now. She's published now. Linda, we want to congratulate you. We made a print of your photo.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Where is that shot taken? Down at the lake?

MS. BURDICK: Hesperia Lake, yeah.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Is that a red-tailed hawk? What is that? An eagle? Falcon?

MS. BURDICK: He was watching my dog.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anybody know what this is?

MR. MCANULTY: Let me do an official Park District photo.

(Pictures are taken.)

MS. BURDICK: I was just walking my dog. Thank you so much.

MR. MCANULTY: Our 3rd place winner could not make it here either. Her name was Liz Terrazas, and she had another picture of her grandchildren at, again, Hesperia Lake Park.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Look at that lawn.

MR. MCANULTY: Nice green grass. You see how nice it looks since you came back, Jesse? Second place, a very beautiful photo. And maybe he can explain some of the -- I think you have an HDR lens; is that correct? Where did you go, Bud?

MR. WALLEY: No, it's just HDR process.

MR. MCANULTY: Very beautiful photo of, again, Hesperia Lake Park. Mr. Bud Walley.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, my gosh.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: That's beautiful. Thank you for showing our parks.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It looks like a painting.

MR. WALLEY: Well, I was supposed to go work that day, but it was Dad's birthday, so I took him and his grandson down there fishing.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, wow.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So this was in the morning? In the evening?

MR. WALLEY: When they're chasing everybody out. That's why there's nobody's fishing.

DIRECTOR COWAN: We do a good job doing that.

MR. WOODS: Bud, would you like to volunteer for the District as a photographer?

MR. WALLEY: Absolutely.

(Pictures are taken.)

MR. WALLEY: HDR. It's a high dynamic range. What you do is you take three shots, and then you merge them together. That's why you get the detail in the sky and then the water.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Don't disclose your secrets.

MR. WALLEY: Oh, it's popular. It's popular.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: But it takes an artist to see what they're doing.

MR. MCANULTY: And our 1st place winner, who will be featured on the cover of the next publication, also could not make it here tonight. He, I understand, received a job offer up in Bakersfield, and so he could not be here.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, good for him.

MR. MCANULTY: But he did send the people in the photo, his son and his grandson. The winner was Gary Leppelman. He is being represented by Brandon and Levi Leppelman.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This says it all. That's why we're here. That's beautiful. The water even looks clean.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: It is clean, Mr. Limbaugh.

(Pictures are taken.)

MR. WOODS: And that concludes the presentation. You can take your seats.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thanks, Brandon.

MR. MCANULTY: Thanks.

MR. WOODS: Next I'd like to call up Bob Teran from the Equestrian Council, and he would like to make a presentation to you.

MR. TERAN: Well, good evening, everyone. Thanks for letting me come in here and give a quick presentation. We had a lot of changes last year. Probably all the Board members realize that, so I'd thought I'd give a presentation and talk a little bit. So this is really what we -- completed work in 2012 at the Equestrian Camp. If you go to the next page, the major changes were all in April. We became a nonprofit -- our own nonprofit under the High Desert Community Foundation --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yay.

MR. TERAN: -- which really has worked out well for us. In 2012, E.C.H. purchased our own insurance so we could have our rides and be fully insured. And then in April 2012, also, we executed our first facility-use agreement, which Lindsay and I worked on and finished it, our facility use. The agreement is E.C.H. would do work, we would use the facilities to give three rides a year, and that the Parks, as a sponsorship, would let us use those facilities, and then we would do work on the facilities to pay up for what we're doing, using -- the facilities we're using. The next page, please. We -- here's some work we completed. So you see we purchased and installed -- first of all, on that famous shed, we put an "Equestrian Council of Hesperia" sign on it. We purchased that and installed it. Our vice president Dave Crow and his son welded all the brackets, all the metal, and did a really good job. As you can see, it's still up even with all the wind. Pretty happy on that. On the next page, what we did was we installed 200 feet of underground electrical. And the reason I took these pictures, you can see the pole on the left that we tied into and you can see where the shed is. We ran that all underground, disconnected all the overhead, so those poles are dead now, can be removed, all the poles up on top, which aesthetically will look a lot better. And then I'm showing where it comes into the shed in the other picture. We have waterproof outlets. We have three there,

and we have two in the front for people to use. Everything's always locked and shut off at the box with the Park's lock on it, so -- Okay. The other thing we completed -- and Bob Chandler, he was out there helping us with this work party. He showed up and was down getting as dirty as all of us doing this stuff. We installed 250 feet of water lines and -- I call them water stations, these hose bibs in the daily-use area, picnic area, and tool shed. It was kind of -- as somebody said, we missed Jesse. We didn't know where the line was coming from.

(Laughter.)

MR. TERAN: So, evidently, I found out we ran a whole new line, and the line that goes where we took it from ran right along the same way, so -- but anyway.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: See, Jesse?

MR. TERAN: We put four of these water stations, they have the sand for freezing, they have the gravel, and they just look so much better. And it starts with all the mud all over and everything. Keeps it real clean.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Which was a prime example of a plumber's nightmare.

MR. TERAN: Yeah. When we dug up there, we just couldn't believe it. There was just lines everywhere. So and we thank you again, Bob, for being out there supporting us. He was out there working. Another thing we completed in 2012, is, we installed the footings, the frame, and the roof for the barbecue shelter. You can see them there doing the footings. There it is partially painted. What we did on this was we -- as per 2013, we're already finishing that shed up. We're putting siding on the back and making it match the building itself. And it looks pretty good now already. So we did that.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Is the barbecuer happy with the shelter?

MR. TERAN: Oh, it should be. It's blocking the wind and everything. It's going to make it real nice, you know. So we're pretty pleased with that. And then, finally, the value of the work projects, I turned in -- you know, Don had sent me these forms, and we filled out as we completed our work, materials and stuff. So this is what we actually did on it. Our labor was \$1,990. We spent \$1,003 on materials that we bought ourselves. We rented a couple of trenchers that were \$260. Our total value of that work for 2012 was \$3,253 that we did on that.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Very nice.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Beautiful job.

MR. TERAN: Now, the final thing is that what we're planning to work for 2013, we have three trail rides a year, which is -- the Park has sponsored as far as letting us use the facilities on that. The first one we have is March 2nd. We had a total of 55 people there, and we had 38 people who were riding. It was a huge success. Big success.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Very good.

MR. TERAN: Our second ride this year will be the Cox ride in memory of Jerry and Fran Cox. Jerry is living in Atlanta, and we sent him pictures after the ride. And he's really excited when he gets them. This one is really well attended. We usually have 60-some people there. We have a barbecue. We have live entertainment afterwards, you know, after the ride. Some -- a lot of people spend the night, and then the next day, they get up, there's a pancake breakfast, and then they do another small ride. And it's -- you know, it's really a successful ride. People show up, and they really have a good time. And we usually get a pretty good band out there.

DIRECTOR GREGG: What's the date for the Cox Ride, Bob?

MR. TERAN: June 22nd and 23rd. And that building, the "Equestrian" that we have there, that porch, we put the band there. They're out of the wind. They're not getting blown away

anymore. It really is nice. And then our third ride is October 5th, which is our memorial ride in which we honor our past founders and the charter members of E.C.H. If you ever notice on the daily-use corrals, we have plaques with the names of the people who helped started it and do that, and those are on the five corrals. The other work we're planning to do is, like I mentioned, we want to complete the barbecue cover this year. We're going to add -- Don gave me two more of those directional signs. He gave me two more we're going to be putting in. We're going to work inside that building. We want to find some cabinets. We're going to paint the insides, some flooring, and stuff for the inside. We're adding two signs, one on the barbecue cover and one on the shed. One's going to say, "Blacksmith," and the other one's going to say, "Lime Shack," because, I guess, as the riders from Wells Fargo were going, there were places to go and get shelter, and that's what they called it. So we're having those to match the "Equestrian" sign. And we're working with Don Webb right now on a proposal to add feeders to all the corrals. And if it works out, E.C.H. will install them, put in the hardware to get them in. That means all the corrals will have feeders to put the hay in, and it will just be a lot neater. So that's our planned work, and we always seem to add some as we go along during the year. But that's what we're planning for 2013. So thanks a lot.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thank you.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Thank you, Bob.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. Okay. Before we break, thank you, Jeanne, for being here tonight. Jeanne Helsley from our Foundation Board is here tonight. Thank you all for coming. And now we're going to take a five-minute break before we do our other business.

Meeting Recessed at 7:23 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Before we move on with staff reports, we have a late request to speak to us. Who is speaking? You are?

MR. KERMAN: Yeah. I was here at the last meeting.

MR. WOODS: So we have Thomas, and your last name is Kerman?

MS. THOMAS: K-e-r-m-a-n?

MR. KERMAN: Yeah.

MS. THOMAS: Thank you.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Go ahead.

MR. KERMAN: Yeah. Just real briefly, at the last meeting, I know there was some discussion about the caretakers. And just from my hearing in terms of what was going on, it sounded to me like the caretaker -- the sites that the caretakers were at were actually better -- I don't want to say better cared for, but the facilities were protected by having the caretakers there. This is from the discussion I was hearing; that there was less vandalism, there were less incidents out there. And I know that there was some discussion about -- at least as I remember, there was some discussion about actually reducing them. And it seemed to me that that would be something that you would want to enhance since the facilities that they're at are actually better protected and better cared for. And that was it.

MR. WOODS: Okay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thank you.

MR. KERMAN: Thank you very much.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thanks. Cody Gregg is here tonight from the School Board. I'm sorry I didn't recognize you at first. So it's nice to have you here. It's always good to have a Tri-Agency participant show up. We don't get the City very often. The School District comes more often though, so that's nice. So I guess we'll move on with our staff reports. Manager Woods?

## STAFF REPORTS

### Recreation Programs

MR. WOODS: On the Recreation Report for January, on page 1, I'd like to point out that the youth sports, the winter basketball that we have for children ages 5 to 17, the registered participants was 513, which was an almost 100-participant increase. We were at 91 additional people registered for this over last time last year. On page 2, apparently "Power Play Center," the Open Skate, the monthly participation, it, too, rose significantly to 548. It was -- that was an increase of 174 over the previous month. Page 3, under "Special Events," just highlighting that. We had a District booth at the Bridal Expo, which was held on January 26th, at the High Desert Event Center, the -- what's formerly known as the San Bernardino County Fairgrounds. And our staff handed out over 500 rental flyers, and that's to promote our rental facilities for weddings, quinceañeras, and those types of celebrations in our community. Any questions on the Recreation Report?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah. Just real quick, on the Hesperia Lake campsites rented, 22, down 4 from the previous month.

MR. WOODS: Uh-huh.

DIRECTOR GREGG: And if we move back to the, "Contract Class and Facilities Participant Numbers," the spreadsheet that you give us --

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR GREGG: -- under "Camping," it shows 77. What -- first, why is that number different? That's for January. It shows campsites rented 22, down 4 from the previous month, but on the spreadsheet, back here, Hesperia Lake Camping, 77, under January.

MR. WOODS: That's 77 people, not 77 spots.

DIRECTOR GREGG: So we actually count the amount of people --

MR. WOODS: Yeah, that's the number of people in the campsite. Those are participants in that number.

DIRECTOR GREGG: And what does the "P" and the "I" under each month --

MR. WOODS: The "P" is the participants. The "I" is the impact. If a mom and a dad -- or a child is enrolled in a basketball game, when they show up to the basketball game, it's not just the child; it's the mom, the dad, some siblings, and a grandparent. So they've established some of those numbers just to show that although we have 77 people there, they had other people come to the facility and hang out with them while they're camping or whatever. So to put it in perspective, here at this facility, if we have a quinceañera that has 100 people and -- I don't want to use that example. That's a bad example. If we have a contract class where -- Taekwondo or something like that, there's 50 kids in the program. The parents are all here in the building as well, as are some of the siblings. So the impact of the facility really -- it's not just 50 people, it's 100, 150 people that are using the facility, the restrooms, the parking lot, the

playgrounds. That's the impact number. So it's just kind of a gauge so that you understand the type of impact that that activity's having on the community.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Are we using a method of -- accountability method for that? A percentage?

MR. WOODS: Staff tracked them a number of years ago, and that's where those numbers came up with for the staff. For every one, they put this for this activity, for every --

DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. All right. Thank you.

### **Golf Course**

MR. WOODS: Any other questions on the Recreation Report? Moving on to the Golf Course Report, you can see that on page 1, rounds played was 2,252 rounds of golf. That was an addition of 170 over the previous month. And the current golf promotions for the month of March are \$20 for the weekdays with a cart and a hot dog after 11:00 o'clock in the morning. On the weekends is the same special, but it's \$25, and it's 50 percent off the walking green fees.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: One quick question about that. I notice down on page -- well, page 1; you have a remark under "Course Maintenance," "Repair seven 2-inch main line breaks."

MR. WOODS: Uh-huh.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: And you know, we're trying to conserve our water distribution down there. Are these things noticed pretty much right away, or how do they --

MR. WOODS: Yeah, they're noticed quickly, because the amount of water that would be leaking from that area. But it's -- the lines are not pressurized all the time. It's only if the system's on pressurizing the pipes. So we have residents -- if something happens at night, the residents call in. During the day, the staff, when they first get there, they drive the course and they see if there's any issues that maybe went unreported and, of course, during the day when we're on the course, if there was to be some type of break. And when they refer to breaks, sometimes the breaks aren't solid breaks; they're more of leaks that are significant.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Okay. All right.

MR. WOODS: Then on page 2, just pointing out, we're still using the services of Pilot Rock. I went out with Park Supervisor Brad Cook, and looked at some of the trees that were down on the front nine near the restroom building. They were ready to fall over. So Brad worked with the Pilot Rock crews. They came in, and their bug crew is very effective in dropping trees. They got them dropped, chopped up, cut up, and saved us a lot of time and energy not having to do it ourselves or have to hire a tree service.

### **Parks Division**

MR. WOODS: Maintenance Report, I went through it. There's really nothing outstanding. Does anyone have a question on any of the maintenance items that were reported?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Got the sign fixed at Rick Novack?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Awesome.

### **Park Ranger**

MR. WOODS: Moving on to the Ranger Report, for the preventative contacts, 15 of the 20 for preventative were after-hours use. Some were alcohol violations and other inappropriate activities that shouldn't be happening on our facilities. And then we had a small number of

problems or related contacts. Again, loitering, alcohol, alcohol, and that's it. Any questions about the Ranger Report?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Out of the 246 hours that were logged, out of 248 possible hours for the month, does that include the training for the new hire?

MR. WOODS: Yes. Any other questions?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MR. WOODS: Thank you very much.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Thanks, Lindsay.

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **F. Discuss February 13, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting Oversight.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Next item on the agenda is to fix our meeting last month. And I guess -- unbeknownst to me anyway -- others might have known, but nobody said anything -- when a board member is phoning in -- I've done it before, so has Kelly and Richard. We had most of our last meetings in his last year over the phone. So we're supposed to take roll call votes instead of just saying "aye." So Lindsay called me before the meeting and said that, I guess, in your research, we can go ahead and rectify that, if we -- if we vote as a board to accept all the things that we did by non-roll call vote with Director -- with Andrew being gone, not here.

MR. WOODS: Right.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So -- orally. So --

MR. WOODS: So we're going --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And you used the word "ratify." If we ratify all the votes that we did on February 13th -- do we have to do that individually --

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- or as a whole?

MR. WOODS: Individually.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Individually, each item we voted on, we have to say, yes, we still want to vote that way?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Boy.

DIRECTOR GREGG: At this point, there doesn't need to be a roll call since everybody is present.

MR. WOODS: Correct.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do you have -- all those items all listed --

MR. WOODS: Those items are all listed --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- in your expanded agenda?

MS. THOMAS: G, H, and I are the three. It's in the expanded agenda.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So the first thing is about the -- so we're going to take another vote on these?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. The first one is about signing for finance; right?

MR. WOODS: Right.

**G. Approve Policy Regarding Signers on District Bank Accounts.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. It's under G.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Under G. I'm there.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a motion? Do we need a motion and all that again?

MS. THOMAS: Uh-huh. Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Do I have a motion to approve this?

DIRECTOR COWAN: Motion to approve.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a second?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Any discussion?

DIRECTOR GREGG: I do have some discussion.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Annually -- at the December Board of Directors meeting, I was asking last time that the sitting president be the signer, which that's not such a concern now, so that we have some leeway. But the Board -- do we have any legal issues with changing "will" to "shall"?

THE REPORTER: Changing what?

DIRECTOR GREGG: By changing "will" to "shall"?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: "The board shall review" --

(Several people are speaking at once.)

DIRECTOR GREGG: Does that need Legal --

MR. WOODS: That's a good question. What's the difference?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, because "shall" says that you will do it -- that you must do it, and "will" says you may do it.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: "Will" is a may?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Correct.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We should change it to "shall."

DIRECTOR GREGG: Also under -- "for the Hesperia Recreation and Park District bank accounts and signers shall be," as well as the next paragraph down, "For the Hesperia Recreation, the signers shall be."

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And on the last paragraph, "shall be."

MR. WOODS: And we did run this past Legal, and this was how it was approved with Legal.

MS. THOMAS: Right, but he's just concerned because he wants this to have to happen instead of, oh, we don't have to do it this year.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Correct.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Take out the guesswork. And if we can change those to "shall" without any consequences, then we can --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That's okay.

DIRECTOR GREGG: That's a policy, right?

MS. THOMAS: Yes.

MR. WOODS: That's the Board's --

DIRECTOR GREGG: -- sets the policy.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do we need to do a motion now?

MR. WOODS: If that's the Board's desire.

MS. THOMAS: Yes, because the motion was to accept it as it was, so we need to redo that motion.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Do you want to remake your motion?

DIRECTOR COWAN: I'll do a motion as --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Approve as amended?

DIRECTOR COWAN: -- approve as amended.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bob, do you want to second it? You seconded before.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Good. All those in favor say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Opposed? Good.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Cowan, seconded by Director Chandler and carried unanimously to approve the policy presented with the substitution of the word "shall" for "will" in the following sentences:

1. Annually, at the December board of Directors Meeting, after the board Officer Reorganization, the Board **shall** review and determine which Member of both Boards will be the signers for all of the District and Foundation Bank Accounts.
2. For the Hesperia Recreation and Park District Bank Accounts the signers **shall** be:
  - General Manager
  - Administrative Operations Manager/Finance Officer
  - Member of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District Board of Directors.
3. For the Hesperia Area Recreation and Park District Bank Accounts the signers **shall** be:
  - General Manager
  - Administrative Operations Manager/Finance Officer
  - Member of the Hesperia Recreation and Park District Board of Directors
  - Member of the Hesperia Area Recreation District Foundation Board of Directors

#### **H. Approve Revision of Employee Discount Guidelines.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Item H, employee discount. Okay.

MR. WOODS: And remember, we talked about IRS code changing it --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Whatever. It's fine. Funny thing but -- (inaudible) -- memberships. I don't know. What does that mean?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Can you explain the third paragraph, "Employee discounts cannot be applied to" --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- "body memberships."

THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. Can you read that again?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: "Employee discounts cannot be applied to governing body memberships." What does that mean?

MR. WOODS: The intention of that is -- like, for BMX, there's a governing body, which is USA BMX. We cannot offer employees discounts with USA BMX or USA Boxing or any other governing body like a sports program. That's what that means.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Right. So if you're the president of AOSO, we can't give your kid a discount because you're part of the governing body?

MR. WOODS: Well, we --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- a part of activity?

MR. WOODS: We don't have any control over some other body setting a fee that somebody has to pay to participate in. So we can't tell USA BMX we're going give them discounts - our employee discounts in your program.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, that's a good thing.

MR. WOODS: That's what that means.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Move to approve.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MS. THOMAS: I'm sorry?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a motion to second?

MS. THOMAS: I'm sorry. Who is the --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Kelly motioned, and Andrew seconded.

MS. THOMAS: Thank you.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have any discussion -- any more discussion? Rebekah? Nothing?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: No.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All those in favor, say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gregg, seconded by Director Cowan and carried unanimously to revise the employee discount guidelines from 25% to 20%.

#### **I. Approve Agreement with SunKay Associates.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This is the agreement for the Sunkay -- Sunkay? Is that how you pronounce it?

MR. WOODS: Yes. Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And again, this was -- we approved this -- do I have a motion? This is for the cell tower.

DIRECTOR GREGG: I'll make a motion to approve.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Kelly makes a motion. Do I have a second?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Rebekah seconds. Any discussion on this? This is the one that will make us --

MR. WOODS: They're going to bring back offers to buy those cell tower leases --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So you're going to come back to us --

MR. WOODS: -- and there's no money expended until the Board agrees with who they want to go with.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. What's the time frame on that, do we know?

MR. WOODS: He was trying to get it done in time for this board meeting, but I think he's going to try --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Definitely April. Oh, great.

DIRECTOR GREGG: So he's already working on --

MR. WOODS: That was because the contract was initiated the next day because I was authorized at that time.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Excellent.

MR. WOODS: So we're ratifying it.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All those in favor, say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The motion has passed.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gregg, seconded by Director Swanson and carried unanimously to authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement with Sunkay Associates.

#### **J. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, February 13, 2013.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. We're on to the new items now, right?

MS. THOMAS: No, J.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: J?

MS. THOMAS: It's the minutes of the February board meeting.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Oh, the minutes. Oh, yeah. Okay. That wasn't an action item on February 13th?

MS. THOMAS: Correct.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So it is a new item.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Whatever makes you happy, Mr. Limbaugh.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It does. It makes me happy. Okay. The minutes, which are in the front part of the board -- aren't they?

MS. THOMAS: Yes. Usually they're in the Consent Items, but this was taken out because --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So it's under Item J. It confused me a little bit. Okay. So do I have a motion to approve the minutes of the February 13th meeting?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I'll make the motion.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a second?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Any discussion about the minutes?

MS. THOMAS: Or you could wait -- we could make the correction, or no?

MR. WOODS: We don't need to correct they're ratifying.

MS. THOMAS: Okay. Never mind. Sorry.

MR. WOODS: This vote supersedes --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Right. All those in favor, say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: All those opposed?

DIRECTOR GREGG: No.

DIRECTOR COWAN: No.

MS. THOMAS: So Bob, Rebekah, and --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I.

MS. THOMAS: -- Mike.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And Andrew and Kelly, no.

MS. THOMAS: Thank you.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Chandler, seconded by Director Swanson and carried with a 3-2 vote (Chandler, Swanson, and Limbaugh - Aye. Gregg, and Cowan - No) to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 13, 2013.

#### **K. Consider Change to Civic Market & Street Faire.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All right. The next new item is, "Consider Change to Civic Plaza & Street Faire," and we've discussed this a couple times before. And I guess you're back to us with what you would like to do, yes?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Can we -- just out of curiosity, is that -- there's nothing under K.

MR. WOODS: It's in the expanded --

MS. THOMAS: It's a report in the expanded agenda.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's got a little color chart with it.

MS. THOMAS: It starts here.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: This is kind of a long one, Lindsay, so do you want to run us through this?

MR. WOODS: We've been operating the Civic Market & Street Faire since 2009. Since that time, the numbers both in vendors and public that participated in that event have dropped. Staff has provided me with some numbers, which I've provided to you on page 3 of the expanded.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: The vendors have dropped by almost 50 percent?

MR. WOODS: Yeah.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Is there any reason why, other than the people don't come?

MR. WOODS: The weather is bad, lots of comments about clientele -- there's been a lot of things. So it's -- when the fuel prices started creeping up, a lot of the people who were coming

from down the hill no longer -- we had a bread guy that everybody ranted and raved about, and he was doing a really good business, but he couldn't afford the fuel to drive his truck up, so he stopped coming. So it's things like that, and the wind for other people, that participation has fallen off for the vendors. And as the participation falls off, then the vendors start evaluating, is this really worth our time to be there. So we had the meeting with the City of Hesperia staff on January 14th, and the City wanted to have some time to look at the program and had some potential changes they might want to look at, which was changing the day of the week, changing the time of the market to morning instead of midday, and offering it as a year-round activity. I think they have looked at those things. I'm not sure that those are all still viable options. We had another meeting on March 6th, and now what they would like to do is enter into an agreement with a third-party provider that would operate the market. And there would be a contract that would have to be drafted. And the question is, does the District still want to be involved in the program, or do we want to walk away from it at this time? Or do we want to work with them with the third-party provider? My recommendation is, I believe that all that is right now being proposed that we look at is we would be responsible for the Porta Potty service, and then making sure we're helping to market the event on our free social media sites.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: That doesn't seem like a very large expenditure in time or effort.

MR. WOODS: So my recommendation is, it's going to be less than a couple thousand dollars a year, probably closer to a thousand. Over the past three years, four years, we've had -- well, past three solid seasons, we've subsidized it over \$7,000. If we can still keep our name on it and there is some value, this is a different way to look at trying something different or new without just pulling the plug on the program altogether.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: How long is it going to take to select somebody to do this?

MR. WOODS: Well, the City would like to see the program run the same season, May to September.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So in other words --

MR. WOODS: They would like to get going on it quickly.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Like now, tomorrow?

MR. WOODS: Uh-huh.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do you already have written what they want for request --

MR. WOODS: I haven't seen a contract. They're talking to someone, but I have not been a part of those meetings.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And did you get the feeling from the City, if this kind of pans out this year, that that would be the end of it?

MR. WOODS: Yeah. If it doesn't go this year, then it will probably go away. But if this person or group of individuals, whoever it is, can make it work, then the City's willing to give them that opportunity to prove it and if they can, good for them. And it would limit our exposure.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Do I have a motion to authorize the general manager to work with the City on the revised Street Faire set-up arrangement?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I'll make that motion.

DIRECTOR COWAN: I'll second it.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay any further discussion on this, item?

DIRECTOR GREGG: It's not going to put us under any contractual issues with the City, right?

MR. WOODS: Well, there will end up being a contract. I don't think it will put us into any contractual issues. I can bring the contract back, but I don't believe that there's going to be anything in there that --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So it would be between the vendor and the City?

MR. WOODS: It would be basically a three-way.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We would be signing to that?

MR. WOODS: Right. We would be co-sponsoring with the City --

DIRECTOR COWAN: It's going to be the same items in there, 1 and 2?

MR. WOODS: Correct.

DIRECTOR COWAN: The post-event Porta Potty and assist with marketing?

MR. WOODS: And I don't know until I start seeing agreements what they're going to have --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Right. Yeah. I think it would be clear what our role would be and clear what their role would be, and there would be no financial obligation to us at all.

DIRECTOR GREGG: But as of right now, our maximum extend -- or expenditure to this would be Items 1 and 2?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Any further discussion? All those in favor, say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Opposed? Okay. Could be the last year of the Street Faire, huh? Too bad.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Don't scare people.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Hey, no, it could change.

MR. WOODS: Well, the economy didn't help too. If we were in a good economy, it would be a little bit different.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Chandler, seconded by Director Cowan and carried unanimously to authorize the General Manager to enter in to an agreement with the City and a third party provider for the operation of the Hesperia Civic Market & Street Faire for the 2013 market season.

**L. Approve District Participation with City of Hesperia's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Moving on. K -- Item L, "Approve District Participation with City of Hesperia's 25th Anniversary Celebration." God, we just had the 20th. I mean, my, oh, my.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: June 1st? It seemed like there was some issues with June 1st that they didn't anticipate.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. The items are listed there: Ranchero Underpass Ceremony, and some type of special concert event. Okay. But you'd be working with the City on putting this program together?

MR. WOODS: Right.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And you would like us to authorize you to work with the City on planning and executing these events celebrating the 25th anniversary?

MR. WOODS: Well, there wouldn't be any financial --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Which is a quarter century, is that right?

MR. WOODS: -- any financial contributions. It would be more in staff time and aiding with these programs. We have helped with the City's 20th, and we also helped with the School District's -- I don't remember what it was.

MS. THOMAS: Was it their 30th?

MR. WOODS: The 30th. I don't -- when they had it at Maverick's Stadium.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Uh-huh. It was the 20th. Is the Free Fun Run going to do -- are we going to work that the same way that we work it at Hesperia Days, where if you sign up by a certain date, you get a free shirt?

MR. WOODS: The City is willing to pay for the shirts --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, yay.

MR. WOODS: -- and it will be -- it will look a lot like Hesperia Days, other than we will not be issuing wrist bands because there will not be any awards. It will be just a straight fun run. Details are being worked out. Potential location would be running from possibly Rancho Middle School down Rancho to Santa Fe, end the race, and then they have the ribbon-cutting ceremony and some little festivities there with informational booths. So that's what that event would be. And the City's willing to provide the volunteers to help man the race course and the drink stations.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: And it's mostly downhill, which is always good.

MR. WOODS: That's why it's a fun run. If it was uphill, it wouldn't be so much fun. And then the concert, the District already has our concert series dates selected. The City had offered to add some additional money to get a bigger name band to come in in August and --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Crosby Stills Nash? I'm just asking.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bloody Black and the Blue Rays versus Rhonda Sway and the Two Tones.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: That's right off the cuff, huh?

MR. WOODS: A bigger name band.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bigger name. Bigger.

MR. WOODS: So like what we did when we did that Trainwreck Theater, which was a Beatles tribute. Something that's a little bit more than what we typically offer at our concerts.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You know, in the spirit of our community, that's not a bad thing. It worked out really good for the 20th. We helped out each other doing that, so probably that's a good one to do.

MR. WOODS: That one is not solid. They might be interested in sponsoring the entire concert series or a portion thereof --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We're not going to have to celebrate every five years being the City, right?

MR. WOODS: I hope not.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We haven't done it for the Park. We only celebrated our 50th. Of course, the City's got a long way to go. They'll never catch us.

MR. WOODS: And then the other option would be -- is we could tie something in with Hesperia Days because we already have everything there. So if they wanted to put some more money towards a headline band, we'd be willing to do that.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. All right.

MR. WOODS: I want to make sure that you all are okay with what --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a motion to help the City plan this 25th --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I so move.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Second?

DIRECTOR COWAN: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Any more discussion about this?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Any projection on potential man hours on that? Any idea?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: A date?

MR. WOODS: It depends on the concert. It depends on what they -- what venue they're going to do. The run is going to be pretty minimal because -- Tim Glass and a couple of rec attendants for a few hours is probably all it's going to be.

MS. THOMAS: Because they're not going to have to register or anything, right?

MR. WOODS: Right. They're not going to have that morning to register --

MS. THOMAS: There's no paperwork and things that need to be --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Just throw the T-shirts up in the air and go.

MR. WOODS: Well, no. We'll have online registration, but the City is going to man the staffing that passes out the T-shirts the morning of the run.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Any other discussion?

MR. WOODS: So greatly limits our participation.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Motion to second?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Date? Date?

MR. WOODS: There is no projected date. Today at Tri-Agency, they said sometime between June and September.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, at least there's some parameters.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You know what? They're really not 25 until after November.

MR. WOODS: I was given a date, but it was clear today that that date is no longer viable so I don't even want to comment on it.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Okay.

(Several people are speaking at once.)

MS. THOMAS: Yes, it was the primary election. It was not the November election.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It was June, huh? It was June. I remember it so well because it was so long. Anyway, all those in favor, say, "Aye."

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Aye.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Aye.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Aye.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Aye.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Opposed? Okay. There you go.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Swanson, seconded by Director Cowan and carried unanimously to authorize the General Manager to work with the city staff on the planning and

execution of the Ranchero Underpass Ceremony and some type of special concert event that will benefit the City and the resident of Hesperia.

- M. Approve Resolution No. 13-3-1, approving and adopting the City's change in the Developer Impact Fee.**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-3-1**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT SUPPORTING A TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN FEES FOR PARK AND RECREATION PURPOSES**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. "Approve Resolution 13-3-1, approving and adopting the City's change in the Developer Impact Fee." And actually, we found out at a meeting Kelly and I went to earlier, that the City -- the mayor said that the City was planning on doing this, and I think -- did they do it at their City Council meeting already? Okay. Did you list the amounts? Yeah. So you see the amount isn't -- isn't horrible.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: And it's a limited time.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And it's in the spirit of cooperation, again, with the City, and I think we talked about this a little bit before at the last meeting. Many years ago, we did not even get any money for single-family homes being built by a single-family person or by a single entity. We only got paid for the developer's fees for a big development or -- how many houses? They had to build like 25 or more.

MS. THOMAS: No, it was more than three or five.

MR. WOODS: It was more than five.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So, I mean, actually, all we ever got from this is a bonus after we joined with the City to change that impact fee. So anyway, the mayor told Kelly and I and Lindsay at the meeting about the Civic Plaza about this item, that they were going to do it. And he asked us -- and it was subject -- bring it back to you guys. We kind of talked -- well, if you're doing it, then I guess we should do it too. I mean, the bottom line will be the proof's in the pudding, if it works or doesn't work, you know. So since we're getting nothing now, I guess if we get five people to build a home, we'll get fifteen-grand, so that would be good.

DIRECTOR COWAN: So there's no harm if it doesn't work.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. No harm, no foul. So if we do lower it, we get the hooked baits and we get it, that would be a good deal. So that's my opinion on that. Do I have a motion that we approve by lowering our impact fee?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Make a motion to approve --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Temporarily. It's only for 18 months.

DIRECTOR COWAN: I'll second that.

DIRECTOR GREGG: -- Resolution No. 13-3-2.

MS. THOMAS: 3-1.

DIRECTOR GREGG: 13-3-1.

MS. THOMAS: 2 is the assessment district --

DIRECTOR GREGG: Oh, we're not on N. Back one more page. 13-1.

MS. THOMAS: Yes. But we do need a roll call. And Director Cowan seconded.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Okay. Roll call.

MS. THOMAS: Director Swanson?  
DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yes.  
MS. THOMAS: Director Gregg?  
DIRECTOR GREGG: Yes.  
MS. THOMAS: Director Limbaugh?  
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yes.  
MS. THOMAS: Director Cowan?  
DIRECTOR COWAN: Yes.  
MS. THOMAS: Director Chandler?  
DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yes.  
MS. THOMAS: Thank you.  
DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Good.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Gregg, seconded by Director Cowan and carried to approve Resolution No. 13-3-1 with the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Swanson, Gregg, Limbaugh, Cowan, Chandler  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None

**N. Approve Resolution No. 13-3-2, initiating proceedings for Assessment District No. 1.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-3-2**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014**

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Excuse me for just a minute.

(Director Chandler exits the boardroom.)

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Moving on, Item N, resolution of approving our 13-3-2, proceedings for Assessment District No. 1, which is our annual board approval for people at large that we approve the assessment, annual levy, and collection of assessments for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District 1 for 2013/14. So do I have a motion for this?

DIRECTOR COWAN: I'll motion.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do I have a second?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Any discussion on this?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Wait for Bob to get back.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MS. THOMAS: Okay. In two months, you will have the engineer's report and the next resolution for both -2 and -3.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Do they call you about this stuff or email?

MS. THOMAS: What? The --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Participating and stuff. When they say, oh, we're going to have a 25th celebration, contact the Park --

MS. THOMAS: I think they call or they email Lindsay. He's their contact.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: So, Jeanne, are you going to do the Fun Run? Are you going to dance? No? Oh, come on.

MS. HELSLEY: I don't dance.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: You don't?

MS. HELSLEY: I'll walk though.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Because it's a walk/run/skate.

MS. HELSLEY: I'm old.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I went to the walk/run/skate before I sat on the Board because usually we're on a float in the parade. And people did not walk. They skated and they ran, and I felt pressured to run, which I did as far as I could, but it was a quick pace that was set. And Mr. Kerman, you've done this, right?

MR. KERMAN: I have no problem with walking and running and running and walking and mixing it up.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Because you do 5Ks, right? Don't you? This is shorter.

MR. KERMAN: Mostly downhill.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: And mostly downhill.

(Director Chandler re-enters the boardroom.)

MR. KERMAN: As long as I don't tumble.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah. It can be hard on your knees to go, but it would neat to go to a new place.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Bob, we have a motion to second. We're approving Assessment District 1, and we're just going to have a roll call vote now. Okay?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yep.

MS. THOMAS: Director Swanson?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Gregg?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Limbaugh?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Cowan?

DIRECTOR COWAN: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Chandler?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Thank you.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Cowan, seconded by Director Gregg and carried to approve Resolution No. 13-3-2 with the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Swanson, Gregg, Limbaugh, Cowan, Chandler

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

- O. Approve Resolution No. 13-3-3, initiating proceedings for Assessment District No. 2, All Zones.

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-3-3**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, INCLUDING ALL ZONES, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Moving on to Item O, "Approve Resolution No. 13-3-3, to initiate proceedings for Assessment District No. 2, All Zones." And there's -- how many zones are there now, Rachel?

MS. THOMAS: 52.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: 52 zones. More than the age of the City.

DIRECTOR COWAN: More than our age.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Again, we'll get the engineer's report on those districts in the upcoming meeting?

MS. THOMAS: Yes. Should be May.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: All right. Do we have a motion?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I make a motion that we approve Resolution No. 13-3-3.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Second?

DIRECTOR COWAN: Second.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Any discussion on the zones? Okay. Roll call vote.

MS. THOMAS: Director Swanson?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Gregg?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Limbaugh?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Cowan?

DIRECTOR COWAN: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Director Chandler?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Yes.

MS. THOMAS: Thank you.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Director Swanson, seconded by Director Cowan and carried to approve Resolution No. 13-3-3 with the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** Swanson, Gregg, Limbaugh, Cowan, Chandler

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

P. CSDA Board of Director Call for Nominations – Seat B.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Item P, "CSDA, California Special Districts Association, Board of Directors Call For Nominations - Seat B."

MS. THOMAS: Uh-huh.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: What if you want Seat A?

MS. THOMAS: That was last year. You should have run last year.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: There you go. Is that odd and even years?

MS. THOMAS: I think so, yes.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Where do they meet?

MS. THOMAS: I think Sacramento.

DIRECTOR COWAN: There was a map, right?

MS. THOMAS: Well, the map shows the different regions, so we're in Region 5, I believe. So all of the regions will be having elections. This is only -- now, if someone is interested, we have to prepare a resolution, and it will be on the next agenda because they require a resolution from the Board to nominate someone.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Who currently sits on the seats?

DIRECTOR COWAN: It says on -- Seat B is Ginger Root --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: A whole bunch of people.

DIRECTOR COWAN: And then it shows them as running for re-election.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: All those people.

DIRECTOR COWAN: All of them. All of them are running for re- election.

MS. THOMAS: They all like it.

DIRECTOR GREGG: There's only one park and rec district.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And nobody here in the High Desert.

DIRECTOR GREGG: No.

MS. THOMAS: No.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Cucamonga is the closest.

MR. WOODS: It's important to remember CSDA is all the special districts -- vector control, sanitary, water – but largely water districts.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anybody want to run? Oh, we can nominate anybody, right? Well, they have to be from our Board?

MS. THOMAS: They have to be from your Board.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Anybody want to do it?

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: No.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I'm not able to.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Andrew, you can't do it. You'd have to go like probably once every other month at least.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Uh-huh, on a Friday.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's like the grand jury. You stay at nice places. It's all reimbursable. Our District doesn't have to pay. CSDA has their own budget.

MS. THOMAS: It says they meet three to four times a year in Sacramento.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, two times a year would be for the conference.

MS. THOMAS: Yeah, one would be -- yeah, the conference, wherever that is.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Would that be from our District, or not CSDA; correct? That's what it said, I believe; correct?

MS. THOMAS: I'm sorry.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Under "Commitment."

MS. THOMAS: "Commitment."

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Its three years.

MS. THOMAS: Its three years, and this says they meet three to four times a year in Sacramento.

DIRECTOR GREGG: All right.

MS. THOMAS: And they also have the two annual events, the legislative days, and the conference. So you're looking at five -- or six to seven times.

DIRECTOR GREGG: We've got legislative days anyway from here, right?

MS. THOMAS: So no one is interested?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, but somebody could run, at least run.

MS. THOMAS: Uh-huh.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: At least run. Get our name on the ballot.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: I nominate Mr. Limbaugh.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: No, I'm not -- I live down here so I don't have to go to Sacramento. Okay. So we're not voting on that. Item P is dead. It's gone.

## **SPECIAL REPORTS**

### **General Manager**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Moving on to reports.

MR. WOODS: BMX track builder was out late February. The track has been constructed. They poured concrete yesterday on the starting hill, and the volunteers have been out there diligently working, trying to ready the facilities. Their opening race is planned for April 13th, which is a very busy day. After some discussion, it's -- the staff and the operator of the course would like to offer the ribbon-cutting for that event on the -- April 5th, which is a Friday. We haven't set a time yet. We're trying to bring a group of dignitaries, having chairs and things all set up the same morning where he's anticipating a large group of writers to come out. Too many moving parts, too many transitions, and we have other activities happening on April 13th as well.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: They could jump us.

MR. WOODS: So that would be a Friday-morning-probably event. We'll go out, do the ribbon cutting, dedication ceremony, have some light refreshments, show off the facility, and then we can go back to normal business. He will be having a race on April 6th, but there's a regional race on April 6th, in Bakersfield, so most of the serious BMX riders will be at the regional race. That will be a great opportunity for Mr. Dalton to run a race with some of the local kids that are just getting involved in the sport, and also give him the opportunity to work some of the bugs out of the program before he has a big event.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: So that would be the 6th, you said?

MR. WOODS: So April 6th will be the first small little race, but the big race will be the opening day race on the 13th. We cannot compete with the regional event, so we wouldn't

even try. So as those things develop, I will be happy to pass along that information. And we'll be doing invitations to the ribbon-cutting ceremony to all of you as well as to everybody else.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's on the 5th?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's tentatively scheduled for the 5th?

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah, the ribbon-cutting.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Are you moving on from BMX? Two things while we're at BMX -- sorry, Bob. Go ahead.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: No, I just said, I took -- went over there on Sunday and took a couple of photos, and I put one on Facebook and I got some nice feedback from people throughout who are really excited about it. It's coming along really nicely. It looks great.

DIRECTOR GREGG: I, too, have been out to BMX. It's looking great. They're doing a great job out there. Again, got some good feedback off of Facebook. Good things are happening in the community of Hesperia. And then the second item that I'd like to mention is that I was out there yesterday, and Lindsay took his own time out of his day to assist with some clean-up stuff and some organization, and I wanted to express my appreciation about that. Thank you, Lindsay.

MR. WOODS: You're welcome. I was happy to help Mr. Dalton. He had a long day yesterday.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I'm just glad it looks nice from the road, with that building falling apart --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, I --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: -- was pretty unsightly. No offense to the Green Flag people, but yeah, it turned out nice. And that bar screen is gone. It doesn't look like a construction site anymore.

MR. WOODS: Skate Plaza, really nothing new to report. I'm hoping to have a meeting this month with them to get details nailed down. I've been getting some emails that they're having trouble with some of the contractors that they were getting information from about helping on the project. So this month, I'm planning on -- what's going on, and bringing something back to the Board next month, and say, okay, this is where we're at and what we need to do.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Two things on the BMX Skate Plaza -- while we're on the Skate Plaza -- and I know I ask this question every time, but the Board authorized X amount of dollars. Do you remember that dollar amount?

MR. WOODS: It was 30. Wasn't it, Rach?

MS. THOMAS: I believe so.

MR. WOODS: I believe it was 30,000. I believe it was 15 for the --

MS. THOMAS: BMX.

MR. WOODS: -- and 30 for the Skate Plaza.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Being that we're really close to where they need -- they're 43,500 short, not including our 30,000 that we have committed to that, with the 12,500 pledged in services and 10,000 in cash pledged by others, I'd like to know if the Board -- if we can put this on the agenda to increase that amount to get this project off the ground at our April meeting.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah, I -- I think we're all supportive of this because it's a great cooperative project. And if we kick in an extra 5, 6, 10, whatever, to get them to the point that

they can give us a time frame of when this is going happen and exactly what it's going to be, I think we'd be all behind that. If -- in other words, if we can expedite it with the -- with the -- some additional funding that's not, you know, 100,000, or whatever, I think everybody would be in favor of that just to get it done because we've been talking about it for a year now, and it's not -- it's not rolling over too quickly. So if they're just waiting for the extra five grand to kick in --

MR. WOODS: I hope to have that information to bring back to you next month, to say this is -- because there's too much back-and-forth. I want to meet with them and say, what do you have, what do you need, and then come back and say, this is what we're -- this is what we're looking at. But the equation may not involve them anymore. They just may make a financial donation and not do any support donation, which changes -- you know, no labor, which changes the whole -- the complexity of the skate park.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MR. WOODS: So if we have to put it out or if we have to build it in-house, those are all things that I need to look at this next month.

DIRECTOR GREGG: We should do it when concrete's cheap though, instead of waiting for the boom to come back and then we're going to be upside down --

MR. WOODS: Well, I will have that on the agenda next month to discuss with you and have an amount requested.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. Okay. Good. All right.

MR. WOODS: I'll just make myself a note. Memory's not what it used to be. Civic Plaza Repayment. I'm sure the Board members are going to report. I thought the meeting went well. Reserve Study, we had a couple of field representatives from the Browning Reserve Group out, and they were here for a week, inspected our facilities, and now they're going back to their home office and will be inputting the data that they collected and photos into their software, and will be getting us information as soon as they have it compiled.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Can we get copies of that on a CD or how are they going to give it to us you think?

MR. WOODS: Once it's done, it will be presented to the board and we'll have notebooks and I believe that they're giving us CD's, but it's --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Like a PowerPoint kind of --

MR. WOODS: It's extensive -- it's a pretty extensive report.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Were you satisfied with how they asked questions and approached our staff.

MR. WOODS: They had a lot less impact than we thought they were going to have.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, good, so they didn't interrupt people doing their jobs. They just got the information they needed and kind of went about doing their job?

MR. WOODS: I scheduled four hours out of my day for them the first day they were here.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Uh-huh.

MR. WOODS: And I met them for an hour, and they hit the ground running.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Excellent. Excellent. So you're satisfied with this company?

MR. WOODS: Yes.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Very good. Thank you.

MR. WOODS: So far. And I know that Desert Recreation was the other one that used them, and they've been happy as well.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Very good.

MR. WOODS: Moving on to -- was there any question about the reserve study? Moving on to the LEAP Program, which is the old after-school activities program, we're waiting to hear back from the School District. I was told today that we should be getting some type of written document from them next -- within the week, so we'll see.

DIRECTOR COWAN: How long would we -- in a perfect world, how long would we contract with them for this? Is it going to be a one-year thing, and then they're going to tell us not again? Are they going to go back and forth? That's just a concern to me. I understand the program was very good before. That's was one of the things I told a lot of people that I would like to work on is getting that program back. I'm just wondering, are we going to get it back for a year, and then they decide they want to go back and do it themselves, do it more academically instead of recreation? We need some type of agreement from them that we're not going to set up a program for them just to stop the program again.

MR. WOODS: Before, we were operating on an annual MOU for the program, and we know what happened with that. And this year, what -- we've had some meetings. I said, basically, we need to have a three- to a five-year agreement. And the problem is that they really can't give you -- because it's contingent upon State funding, so if the funding goes away -- but they didn't really balk at it. But they're working with their legal counsel to put together an agreement to show to us. Once we get it, then its tear it apart, send it to our attorneys. So I don't know how long this is going to take. I was hoping to have that expedited so we could have something for this Board meeting, but it doesn't look like that happened.

DIRECTOR COWAN: A three-year plan would seem acceptable to me, so we can lock something in. We're not going to have employees in the District that are going to have a one-year employment history and then removed. And I'm just looking out for our District and our employees of our District, but I do want to work with the School District.

DIRECTOR GREGG: So that was based on -- they pulled that program based on academic; correct? Not so much recreation?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Something changed in the --

DIRECTOR GREGG: Did something change in the grant language that --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They were going to get -- they were going to get something for nothing. And they were going to change the program from more or less a recreation program to a tutoring program where the kids would do like their homework with everybody. And I guess it didn't work out right. They cost them more than what they thought they were going to spend.

MR. WOODS: The program was being scrutinized for whatever reason at the School District. When they looked at it, they said, Can we do a better job? Staff said, yes, we believe we can. And so they -- that's why they pulled the program back to try to increase -- because the State --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: But there was a third party involved though.

MR. WOODS: The State gives the School District standards they need to hit, and part of those standards are based on, the after-school programs can help them hit those numbers. So they tried. It was an experiment. They tried something, and I don't know that the results that they got were what they were hoping for. So now they've approached us on it.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, the results that we were expecting out of that surely didn't turn favorable on our part when we laid off X amount of employees and sent them, you know,

down the road, and then had to consume up, you know, the cost of unfunded liability, if you'd call it, of their unemployment insurance. So want to be careful if we set something up again.

DIRECTOR COWAN: I'm in favor of working with the School District as well, but you know, we can't keep eating costs at somebody's decision or whim to change the program.

MR. WOODS: Well, we had the program for a number of years. It was more than 15 years. And we really -- that's the only hiccup that we've had in the 15-year relationship.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Kind of, if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

DIRECTOR COWAN: That hiccup made people lose their jobs though, and that's not right.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, we also placed 38 of them in the program. So the majority of them didn't lose their job. A few did. And I think Lindsay will protect the District from going through that again. And the School District's very well aware that we didn't like it because they basically trashed us for a program -- for an independent -- independent contractor. And we didn't like that. And they blindsided us. It wasn't like, you know, we're going to give you a six-month -- it was just today, stop.

MR. WOODS: Well, they didn't end up going with the independent contractor. They did it in-house.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They tried to do it in-house --

DIRECTOR COWAN: Well, either way, they got rid of us for something they thought was better --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yeah. It was a 15-year program, and do away with it --

DIRECTOR COWAN: Well, let's bring it back and do another 15.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: I was under the impression during the last board meeting that they were very anxious to get this done. Is there a chance that this requires a separate board meeting to approve this agreement? I know they were --

MR. WOODS: No. Because if they don't give me the agreement for -- until the end of next week, then by the time I go through it, that will be the next week, in working with our attorney. It would be possibly in time for the April board meeting.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Okay.

MR. WOODS: So -- or it could be the May board meeting.

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Because we were under the impression -- left with the impression that this had to be done immediately. They were very anxious to get this done.

MR. WOODS: Here's the problem that I have right now. Without the agreement and without the approval of the agreement, I am not going to advertise for positions. We are not going to hire staff until everything is worked out. So the longer they delay it, if they have a time line that they want to impose, they may miss that time line due to it taking such a long time. So then it would put us into next school year.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

DIRECTOR GREGG: But either way, if something came up within a two- to three-week time frame, you would obviously get with us to have -- might call special meeting, just per se --

MR. WOODS: I just don't see it happening, but if the stars lined up, we could possibly do that.

DIRECTOR COWAN: We can only work as fast as the School District is going to, so on our end we're good.

MR. WOODS: And trust me, they know that we're pushing that.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

MR. WOODS: It's a good program. It's a benefit to the community and --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Parents loved it.

MR. WOODS: Yeah. National Little League Opening Day Ceremony is there on page 2 of my report. Director Swanson will be out at Hesperia Civic -- or not Hesperia Civic -- Hesperia Community Park on the 23rd.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: And Director Gregg has agreed to write my speech, right?

DIRECTOR GREGG: I'll give you my last speech from the American League.

MR. WOODS: So the information is there if any of you want to attend that. We have also contacted the other league because we didn't hear anything from them, to ask if they are going to -- would like to have representation. And I have not heard anything. If I hear that, then I will send it out and say, is anyone willing to speak at this one, and give you the time and the details.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Do you know the opening day for American League?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Same day.

MR. WOODS: Same day.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Really? Wow. These guys are like -- I don't know. This is 9:00 o'clock at Hesperia Community?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah. And then --

DIRECTOR GREGG: And they're 9:00 o'clock here too, I think.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, I think so.

MR. WOODS: And this is the first time that they've both done it on the same day and they're both doing a big festival-type event.

DIRECTOR GREGG: So for this event out there -- because I know there's been plenty of times that I've attended those games that the scoreboards are not in use. And we'll look at this item, since you put it on your comments. We have all those fancy scoreboards -- out there for use plus all the observation area. We need to open it up to them and let them --

MR. WOODS: It's available to them if they so choose.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Okay. And to maybe make it easier for them, that we're behind that. Because I know -- again, a year or so back, it was, we didn't have remote controls for the scoreboards and we couldn't get access to the observation areas. So especially on these days, I mean, leagues, tournaments, and the like, they should have full use of that facility out there. We did build it for the community, so --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Yes, I agree. The scoreboards.

DIRECTOR GREGG: What's funny about that, Mr. Limbaugh?

MR. WOODS: Okay. Moving on --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You don't know want to know how much we paid for them. I complained for years about it. They were used for -- they're used -- I was told they were particularly used for tournaments, okay? But every time I went out there, they're still not being used.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Yeah.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And the problem is -- like, it has to do with getting authorized to use it, and if they lose them or they break them or -- you know, then after that, they don't want to use them because it's too cumbersome for the people who keep the score and stuff to do it. So if we can come up with a way that we can use them -- each one of those scoreboards cost about \$7,500 or more.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Well, we --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: And the remote controls are pretty sophisticated, so --

DIRECTOR GREGG: We make the league responsible for the remote controls, and they sign an agreement that they'll replace --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: That will never happen.

MR. WOODS: I believe that's the problem. Because the scorekeepers change and there's four fields, that Little League doesn't want to be responsible for one of those remote controls. That's what we've been told.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Believe me, I've tried --

DIRECTOR GREGG: I'm just saying it's such a beautiful facility --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: I know. Don Webb is not in charge of that anymore. At the time they weren't being used when I was upset about it, Don was in charge of it. But somebody else is now in charge of it.

MS. THOMAS: Tim Glass.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Maybe he's got a different program -- but it's a shame to have those -- because they were expensive and they were -- at the time we purchased them for those fields -- Director Chandler, correct me if I'm wrong -- but it was a really nice additive thing that we were going to get. But it was --

DIRECTOR CHANDLER: Absolutely.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: But it was a big chunk of change that we bought those scoreboards at. And so they use them during the tournaments primarily, is what I still think they do, right? So, yeah, we've gotta figure something out there. Okay. Go on.

MR. WOODS: In the finance office, we've got three staff members, which I had reported earlier that are retiring. And so we've got two new finance personnel that are working here at the District. So if you come in and you see a couple of gentleman that you don't recognize, those are our new employees that are working in the finance department. And they're currently being trained before the staff leave.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So do you bring them here before or after they pass probation?

MR. WOODS: Probably -- if you like, we can bring them next month, or wait until they pass probation.

MS. THOMAS: Either way, whatever works for you.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: We met Shiella when she first got there.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yeah, that's true. How many years of service do these three people represent? Marquis has been here since --

MS. THOMAS: Marquis came in 1990 or '91, and Gina and Susan, seven years.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Wow.

MS. THOMAS: But Marquis was here when you handed out the 20-year briefcases. Marquis received one.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Wow.

MR. WOODS: I think we were within a couple of months of each other, Marquis and I.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Just -- just -- this could be my questioning factor, but three people out of the finance department? Is there any reason why three of them are leaving at the same time?

MS. THOMAS: They're old. You want the truth? They're all my age or right there. And Marquis's husband has changed what he's doing, and her health is not good, and she is able to retire. Gina's husband retired. He's sitting at home. She's coming to work every day.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Would you like to amend your statement that they're old?

MS. THOMAS: No, because I'm not ashamed of it.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: They have served their time and are happy.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: You'll get younger. Benjamin Button, right?

MS. THOMAS: And Susan, she's older than the other three of us.

DIRECTOR GREGG: I was just curious that we had three retiring out of one department at the same time --

MS. THOMAS: You run into that because everyone is about the same demographic age.

MR. WOODS: So it's actually good because now we have Shiella, we can implement changes that need to be made. So it's great.

MS. THOMAS: It's working out well with what the auditors want to see. These two young men both have degrees in the field, so it just is making for an easier transition at this point.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Good. Excellent.

MS. THOMAS: And then Gina -- we'll see if -- we haven't hired someone to replace Gina yet because she is leaving in September.

MR. WOODS: Final thing is the Hesperia Volunteer Network Appreciation Dinner, some of you attended that last year. City of Hesperia worked with us. We had it at the Percy Bakker Center, and that's where we recognized key volunteers and the City recognized volunteers and some community organizations did. I believe she told us today that it was going to be -- dinner was at 6:30.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Yes.

MR. WOODS: So that will be the day. We don't have a lot of information yet, but we are working with the City again this year to make this event come off at our facility.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Did the Foundation end up discussing more on moving that meeting? Are they still going to conduct the meeting?

MS. THOMAS: If you see in the minutes -- remember, Percy said he wanted to discuss it at the March meeting.

DIRECTOR COWAN: Okay.

MS. THOMAS: So on the 28th, they will discuss whether they're going to move the meeting, cancel the meeting. If they did it earlier, they could probably do both on that night. So we didn't know the time at that point. When we talked about it in February --

DIRECTOR COWAN: Okay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Anything else, Lindsay?

MR. WOODS: No.

## **Board Member Reports**

### **Standing Committees**

#### **Recreation Foundation - Swanson/Cowan**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Great. Board Member Reports, Standing Committees, Recreation Foundation. Rebekah?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: You have your minutes. Andrew and I were there. The information that was given to us was also given to the Foundation. We discussed what to do about the March board meeting and giving everybody a chance to think about that and decide. And gosh -- they talked -- they talked a little bit about F.X. McDonald, who sang, "Heading for

Hesperia," and that he had kind of been a part of our history. We should acknowledge him in some way. And there was some discussion about the grange and who owns that. I know that at one point we had asked for the information, who was in charge of that, and -- around the time that the County was offering the fire building -- but we never were able to get a hold of anybody from what I remembered.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: They found out who owns it now?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: No, I don't believe so.

MR. WOODS: The grange is a nonprofit organization that is tied in with farming. So we did eventually make contact with somebody.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, you did? Okay.

MR. WOODS: The question was, were they willing to sell us the building. And the answer was no. All the other granges in the Victor Valley, I believe, have shut down. This is the only one. So as the others have shut down, memberships have transferred to Hesperia. So they're really holding on to this as important to their organization because it's the last one that they have in the valley.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, and did -- I don't know if you asked this, but how often do they meet?

MR. WOODS: It's been too long ago for me. I would have to talk to staff to find out exactly what the conversation -- we were looking at it as buying the property as being adjacent to the fire station.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Right. I remember. And that's -- unless Director Cowan would like to add anything?

#### **Tri- Agency - Swanson/Cowan**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Tri-Agency. Rebekah?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: The City talked about the Ranchero undercrossing. Originally, they were hoping to finish by June, but there were some problems with the light -- I don't believe the -- these might not be connected events, but they're going to put in a light at Ranchero and Escondido. But also they had to push it back due to some unanticipated issues with some -- I thought water pipes. I thought I wrote it down. I don't see that.

DIRECTOR COWAN: I think he said sewer also.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Sewer and water.

MR. WOODS: I believe the two were combined. The delay was because of the storm drain and rerouting at 7th and Ranchero. The sewer project is with the new interchange project.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Oh, okay.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: So what's the new day?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: They didn't have one.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: What?

MR. WOODS: The deadline is September, and they're not sure what the delay is. And the other problem is that all the City -- Mike and some of the Council members are all in DC, so I'm sure they didn't want to try to pin down the date without talking to them.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Right.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Why didn't they have the meeting when they were back? Are they thinking about partially opening it? Like between Santa Fe and somewhere else?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Well, they're even talking about including a different detour at 7th and Ranchero, that they would close it for two months.

MR. WOODS: That's the storm drain.

DIRECTOR GREGG: That's already closed.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, the railroad bridge is done, so -- I mean, you can drive under there now. Kind of.

MR. WOODS: But now they have it tore up on this side --

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Well, I don't know how far you can go.

DIRECTOR GREGG: You're not going to get far; I'll just let you know that right now.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So the June date is off then, off the table?

MR. WOODS: It may just be pushed back a couple of weeks. They didn't get into what the delay was.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Are they the contractor on the interchange project at 15 too, Riverside construction.

MR. WOODS: I don't know that. They have Nisqualli.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Right. And it's almost done. Oh, well. Whatever.

DIRECTOR SWANSON: They were talking about a reclaimed water pipeline and a waste water treatment plant in Hesperia. The treatment plant would be located at Maple, north of Main, behind the housing development there. And then they're also trying to get funding for an aqueduct bridge over by Wal-Mart. The School District -- oh, and Five Guys is open, in case you did not know. Quite a tasty establishment.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Five Guys?

DIRECTOR SWANSON: That's over by Target. The School District was sharing with us about "It's a Gas to Go to Class," and I know that we -- the -- it has created quite an air of excitement with all the kids in the Victor Valley. Last year they gave away one car, and the winner could not drive, but I'm sure she drove by the time that the sun came up the next week. They believe that there is a percentage -- high percentage of attendance that went up because of that one community support program that came from the car dealerships and support from also nonprofits in the -- in the area. The teachers also put money toward it too, because it just -- you know, you can't teach them if they're not there. And we had a 95 percent attendance rate, and that had gone up -- I want to say one percent? Is that what it was? At least one percent. They approved a contract with a bus company. And they're talking about a paperless agenda system that would keep track of minutes, records, and agendas. I think that was it from the City and the School District. And then Lindsay told everybody about our programs and upcoming things that are happening at the Recreation and Park District.

**Safety and Security - Chandler/Gregg**

No meeting held.

**Personnel Committee - Limbaugh/Chandler**

No meeting held.

**Audit Committee - Limbaugh/Gregg**

No meeting held.

**Ad Hoc Committees**

**Golf Course Ad Hoc Committee - Limbaugh/Cowan**

No meeting held.

**Civic Plaza Ad Hoc Committee - Limbaugh/Gregg**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. Next meeting we had was the ad hoc committee for Civic Plaza on February 22nd. Director Gregg, Lindsay, myself, Councilmen Smitty and Holland,

and City Manager Mike Podegracz met at City Hall. And if you haven't ever been over there on Friday when there's an off day, it's really --

DIRECTOR GREGG: Very peaceful.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: It's very peaceful. You can't get into the building. They have to buzz you in, so high security area. Anyway, part of our closed-door session tonight, we'll be talking about some of the things that we want to talk about with regards to Civic Plaza and what goes on with that. At the meeting, we also talked about that thing that we just passed tonight about the impact fees. And they talked about roads and -- just in general, things that -- good working relationship with the City and the Park now. I think Lindsay should be commended. He's really developed a nice working relationship with Mike Podegracz, who has always been a real nice man to work with -- not that all these council people are always that nice to work with, but the city manager has been nice to work with, much improved over Mr. Quincy and Bob Russo. Okay. Pretty good. Good editorial, huh?

**Monument Ad Hoc Committee - Chandler/Cowan**

No meeting held.

**Skate Plaza and BMX Ad Hoc Committee - Chandler/Gregg**

No meeting held.

**Other Related Business**

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. So there were no other meetings --

DIRECTOR SWANSON: Safety Committee?

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Did the Safety -- you had that before our last --

MS. THOMAS: You reported on it at last meeting. The minutes are in here.

DIRECTOR GREGG: Nothing else to report.

DIRECTOR LIMBAUGH: Okay. And that's it. So thank you for coming, Jeanne, nice to see you tonight. We're going to go to closed-door session.

Meeting Recessed from Open Session at 8:42 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened to Closed Session at 8:55 p.m.

**I. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (b) - pending litigation by another party against the District - 1 case.**

Meeting Recessed from Closed Session to Open Session at 9:47 pm.

No action was taken by the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by declaration by President Limbaugh at 9:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lindsay Woods, General Manager

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Rachel Thomas, Admin. Op. Mgr.