

**HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, August 19, 2021 - 3:30 p.m.
Lime Street Park Community Center, 16292 Lime Street, Hesperia, CA 92345**

MINUTES

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 3:33 p.m. by Director Roberts.

A. Attendance

Board Committee Members: Roberts, Aguilar

District Staff: Chavez, Campbell, Garcia, Sr. Park Ranger Chavez

Guests: None

Flag Salute

The Flag Salute was led by Director Roberts.

Message to the Public/Public Comment

None

Discussion/Action Items

B. Address Public Safety Concerns About Lime Street Park.

- The Committee addressed situations at the skate park involving individuals disturbing and harassing the football league players and cheerleaders, and alcohol in the park.
- The installation of cameras was suggested, along with discussion of placement, live feed vs. DVR, power, and Wi-Fi.
- Park Ranger presence has increased and is helping.
- The electricity connection near the Dog Park may be being used by patrons for unintended purposes.

C. Address Public Safety Concerns About Live Oak Park

- Improvements correlate with Lime Street Park. Increased Park Ranger presence is helping.
- After hour activity is the main concern, though confrontation with individuals is uncommon.
- Cameras have been discussed, though there is no Wi-Fi at the park.
- Park Ranger Chavez expressed that nearby homeless encampments had been removed by City Code Enforcements, causing many homeless to relocate and utilize the park. The Sheriff's Department has been asked to help as well.
- New signage has been installed.
- Hesperia BMX concerns were discussed, including improvements and impact on District staffing.

- Director Roberts inquired about the field conditions, which are improving.
- D. Discuss Power Play Center Maintenance
- Concrete steel was removed and replaced.
 - Director Roberts recommended future improvements include repainting the no parking zone and adding “skating” verbiage to the signage.
 - President Aguilar expressed the arcade games and prizes need updating. The nonfunctioning games should be removed.
 - Director Roberts suggested cycling out the skates and adding a vending machine and/or snack bar, and highlighted the uneven surface of the rink.
- E. Discuss Hesperia Lake Park Maintenance
- Mr. Chavez informed the Committee of changes in staffing.
 - President Aguilar communicated possible improvements at the lake including unused sheds, wood chips in the planters, updated equestrian sign, updated memorial sign, and filling in holes.
 - Mr. Campbell provided updates on the priorities and improvements being done, including the well, attendance, shift in staff, and tree trimming.
 - Park Ranger Chavez gave credit to Mr. Campbell and the team of staff for the new signage prohibiting the use of OHV’s, the cleanliness of the park, and the painting of the loading area.
- F. Discuss Hesperia Civic Plaza Park Maintenance
- President Aguilar frequents the park, and took notice of various improvements needed including tree trimming, homeless, and graffiti on the electric boxes. He inquired about dog bags and restrooms.
 - Mr. Campbell highlighted the Bocce Ball court, cleared sidewalks, bricks under the fountain columns, and replaced seating at the amphitheater, and expressed that the calls were already in, regarding graffiti.

Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.