

**REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE
HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
AND THE
HESPERIA AREA RECREATION DISTRICT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 24, 2020
Lime Street Park Community Center
16292 Lime Street, Hesperia CA 92345**

**MINUTES
SOME DIRECTORS PARTICIPATED VIA TELECONFERENCE
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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order via teleconference at 6:00 p.m. by Director Hill.

ROLL CALL, some Directors participated via Teleconference

- a. Committee: Blocker, Aguilar
- b. Foundation: Hill, Drylie, Dupree, Peters
- c. District Staff: Chavez, Wyzlic, Etchepare
- d. Other: None

FLAG SALUTE

Director Drylie led the flag salute.

MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approval of August 27, 2020, Meeting Minutes
Motion made by Drylie to approve minutes as written, second by Peters. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Dupree, Drylie, Peters, Hill
NOES: None
ABSENT: Helsley
ABSTAIN: None

- b. Fundraiser Planning
 - 1. Drylie highlighted ideas related to a future auto or bicycle event. He presented a Google map outlining historical monuments and places of interest. He expressed that he has volunteers available for such an event, including volunteers from

- local schools. Drylie expressed interest in having sponsors, and having the School District and City involved as well as the District. Hill questioned if there would be a possibility of those who are unable to physically do the route to still be able to participate by visiting the locations, possibly by vehicle.
2. Dupree suggested having a Ball Drop or something similar at a District park; event ideas included having the fire Department present, having socially distanced attendees, posting the event live on Facebook for further community involvement, requesting sponsors, having ticket sales, and providing cash prizes as well as sponsored prizes.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

a. District Board Report

1. Director Blocker reported on the following items from the Regular and Special Board Meetings:
 - The Regular Board of Directors is currently holding a Regular Board meeting and a Special Meeting monthly.
 - Discussion related to Park Rangers program: Park Rangers will be transitioning back to their old uniforms. They are waiting for information for a training schedule and the Board is hoping to have them up and running and armed by the end of the year.
2. Director Aguilar reported on the following:
 - There have been quite a few public comments related to issues at Live Oak Park, BMX area, and the Wranglers have mentioned issues with off road vehicles. He expressed that the Board wants to make sure the Park Rangers are able to issue citations, have the proper gear and equipment, and have a greater presence in in the community during key times.
 - He stated that the District discussed the current grant writer and is hoping to gain additional funding from grants.
 - The District is maintaining their current process for surplus items at Hesperia Lake.
 - He highlighted that he and Blocker were able to go visit Drylie at the Museum and expressed thanks to Drylie for the tour.

b. Comments

1. Drylie questioned if the changes to the Park Ranger Program would require a rewrite to the Park Ranger policy.
2. Dupree questioned what type of training the Park Rangers are to receive. He expressed concerns regarding the minimum standards of training for the Park Ranger Program, and encouraged conversation and consultation with Hesperia Police Department. Etchepare encouraged discussion between Dupree and Chavez to further clarify the Park Ranger Program training standards presented by the Board.

STAFF REPORTS

a. Program/Event/Activities Handouts

1. Chavez highlighted the following District events and programs:

- Staff is wrapping up Hesperia Days Events. We had a positive turn out, and a lot of people participated in Historical Tour. Staff is currently giving out T-shirts.
- The District is looking to keep community engaged with upcoming Halloween and Veterans Day events.

b. Comments

1. Dupree questioned if the campground capacity would be increasing. Chavez clarified that the District is looking to open up the Campground to 100% at the next Regular Board meeting, excluding the group site.

FOUNDATION PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

- a. Hill - None.

FOUNDATION DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

- a. Peters - Stated she liked the idea of the potential bicycle event.
- b. Drylie - Commented on the cleaning of the museum; he will be working on videos over the next month. He stated there is a good energy working and he is pleased with how the new Board members and General Manager are working together.
- c. Dupree - Highlighted and thanked staff for working hard, especially with the increase in activity at Hesperia Lake. He thanked the District Board for highlighting and moving ahead with security issues to make parks safer.

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.