

**HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Thursday, April 15, 2021 - 3:30 p.m.**

**Lime Street Park Community Center, 16292 Lime Street, Hesperia, CA 92345**

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**MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

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

**A. Attendance**

Board Committee Members: Roberts, Aguilar (participated via teleconference until 3:37 p.m. when he arrived in person)

District Staff: Chavez, Etchepare, Campbell, Wyzlic, Sr. Park Ranger Chavez

Guests: None

**Flag Salute**

The Flag Salute was led by Director Roberts.

**Message to the Public/Public Comment**

- Jennifer Schildroth expressed appreciation for having additional lights installed at Live Oak Park, the Park Rangers having their weapons back, and the efforts to make Live Oak Park a better park.
- Dan Dalton stated he was happy to see the Park Rangers armed and able to protect the community, and expressed his desire for the District to hire a full time Park Ranger.

**Discussion/Action Items**

**B. Park Ranger Program Updates**

- Sr. Park Ranger Chavez provided an update that included the Park Rangers having all of their gear back, they are out doing their jobs and showing presence, working on completing training, and hoping to have a presentation for the Board and introduce the training officer at the next Regular Board meeting.
- Aguilar thanked Sr. Park Ranger Chavez for stepping up and the team for making improvements. Roberts inquired about the monthly Park Ranger report.

**C. Discuss Hesperia Recreation and Park District Non-Emergency Number**

- Chavez provided potential costs for the use of a non-emergency type answering service which would equate to a full time position. He stated the

District is unfunded and a position like this would be burdensome to the District's already strained budget. Further discussion included explanation of the current google number being transferred to the Park Ranger phone after hours, citizens being asked to contact the District main office for issues during business hours, and the option for citizens to contact Sheriff's non-emergency or emergency lines as needed.

D. Discuss Civilians on Patrol

- Chavez provided information from staff with a conservative cost break down related to a Civilians on Patrol program. He advised the District has an Adopt-a-Park program that the District could potentially integrate a Civilians on Patrol program into. He reiterated that the District is working on a very lean budget. Committee Board members asked clarifying questions related to the cost break down.
- Committee Board members directed the General Manager to put this item on a future agenda for the Regular Board.

E. Discuss Safety and Security Committee, Standing Meetings

- Chavez stated a total of 132 Board meetings were budgeted in the current Fiscal Year, and currently the District has held 139 meetings, putting the District over budget with several months to go in this Fiscal Year. Chavez inquired if the committee would like to continue meeting monthly. Roberts stated the Safety and Security Committee meetings are important and requested to bring the item to the Regular Board for discussion and input. Aguilar agreed to bring it to the Board for discussion.

**Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m.