

# REGIONAL PARK AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING C. V. Starr Community Center 300 South Lincoln Street Fort Bragg, CA 95437 Wednesday, January 4, 2017 1:00 p.m.

### **Minutes**

# 1.0. CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m.
- Committee members present: Bob Bushanksy, John Huff, Sarah Huff
- Committee members absent: None

### 2.0 APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Items to be removed from or changes to the agenda should be done at this time

- Agenda was adopted with no changes
- M/S/C: Huff/Bushanky/Unanimous

# 3.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-NON AGENDA ITEMS

A maximum of 3 minutes is reserved for members of the public to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda and a total time for public input on a particular issue is limited to 20 minutes (Government Code 54954.3). The Board is prohibited from discussion or taking action on matters not on the agenda, but may briefly respond or ask a question for clarification (Government Code 54954.2).

None

## 4.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION

- 4.1 State of California, 2017 OHV Planning and Restoration Grant Programs
  - A discussion took place regarding the upcoming OHV Planning and Restoration Grant Programs Northern District Workshop scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2017 through Friday, January 13, 2017 at the Lions gate Hotel in North Highlands, CA. The discussion included questions and comments about the work shop details such as; types of session provided and what was the best way to cover and obtain all of the important information.
  - Bob Bushansky, Sarah Huff and John Huff intend on attending the grant workshop.
  - Dan Keyes agreed to take care of the grant workshop RSVP for Bob Bushanky.
  - John Huff said all attendees have an opportunity to attend all of the sessions.
  - Additional general discussion took place about planning and restoration grant details such as eligibility and available funds.

- Bob Bushanky suggested MCRPD begin to obtain community support through the identification of interest groups in preparation for grant development and review.
- Dan Keyes agreed to begin identifying interest groups and initiating contact.
- General discussion took place regarding the step process necessary to prepare for grant development.
- Clarification was provided by Sarah Huff regarding the limitations of the planning grant and Sarah made it clear that all associated grant funding was for the purpose of the potential development of at least a portion of the property for organized OHV use.
- General discussion took place regarding the importance of identifying and protecting the Pygmy forest area.
- General discussion was held about the problems with current illegal access on to the property with reports of unidentified persons coming in, destroying areas and cutting down trees. Areas of access concern include the PGE access.
- Bob Bushanksy recommends a heightened public awareness campaign through the media and that both COFB and PGE should be contacted regarding these concerns to enlist their help.
- Dan Keyes had questions regarding the chances of future restoration grant funding when the previous grant application under the same program was not successful.
- Sarah Huff responded to Dan's question by informing the committee that
  the last attempt was just two points shy of achieving the critical mark.
  Sarah explained that this year's grant application would focus on trail
  restoration and access control versus clean-up, as the grant does not
  provide funding for any activities not directly related to OHV use and
  impact.
- General discussion took place regarding the planning grant application and it was agreed that an environmental impact study would need to take place, as the last study was many years ago and the information would be required to be updated.
- General discussion took place regarding the need for proper signage and for additional game cameras.

### 5.0 ADJOURNMENT

• The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Danny L. Keyes, District Administrator MCRPD/CV Starr Community Center.