



REGIONAL PARK COMMITTEE MEETING
C. V. Starr Community Center
300 South Lincoln Street
Fort Bragg, CA 95437
Wednesday, June 19, 2019
11:00 a.m.

Minutes

1.0. CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order at 11:01 a.m.
- Committee members present: Bob Bushansky, Sarah Huff, John Huff
- Committee members absent: None

2.0 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

3.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION

3.1 District Owned Surplus Property: Discussion of Grant Deed Process

- Dan Keyes opened the discussion by providing an explanation of the reasons for holding a discussion about District owned surplus property and the grant deed process.
- Jennifer Garrison identified District's west parcel and Scholars Bog as property that may be of interest to Caltrans as wetland mitigation property. She went on to discuss a brief history of the land in question and provided an in depth explanation of the hydrology throughout the immediate area. She also discussed Prop 68 and how this funding could be used to protect sensitive lands.
- Bob Bushansky talked about the need to protect Newman Gulch.
- John Huff provided clarification regarding statements from Jennifer Garrison regarding grant funding and discussed the history of the Regional Park property and water use.
- Bob Bushansky talked about the history related to the dumping of appliances on site.
- John Huff informed the committee of another abandoned vehicle discovered on the property and had taken pictures to note the serial number.
- Jennifer Garrison introduced Robert Wall of Caltrans. Robert Wall works as a Senior Environmental Planner.
- Robert Wall discussed Caltrans interest in the aforementioned properties and talked about possible proposals and process.
- Bob Bushansky responded to Robert Walls statements by asking him what Caltrans needed to move the process forward.
- Robert Wall responded by saying, "access to the property".
- Jennifer Garrison said any work completed by Caltrans will not adversely impact the Pygmy forest areas. In addition, she also provided the District with a possible scope of work and time frame for a three pronged approach to protecting the wetlands.
- Bob Bushansky asked about the downside of the proposed plan.
- Robert Wall described the proposed plan as a win-win situation.

- Sarah Huff discussed the treasure of the Scholars Bog area and how the community needs to be further educated as to its value.
- John Huff discussed potential opposition to the proposed plans. He went on further to discuss anomalies with GIS maps and how this may impact future surveys.
- Sarah Huff recited the Counties response to the questions regarding a property line adjustment.
- John Huff talked about the Resource Conservation District and had questions about how they operate.
- Jennifer Garrison provided an explanation to John Huff question about the Resource Conservation District.
- Bob Bushanksy had questions about endowments.
- Jennifer Garrison responded to Bob Bushansky's question by informing the committee that if the process goes as planned Caltrans would be have to provide the endowment.
- Bob Bushanksy informed the committee that he would bring this process up at the regular MCRPD Board of Directors meeting.
- Jennifer Garrison said she must find out what the disposition of the value of the property is in question.
- Robert Wall discussed objectives and time frame for as it relates to the importance of the coastal mitigation property.
- Jennifer Garrison discussed coastal development projects.
- Robert Wall discussed property mitigation in Mendocino County.
- Jennifer Garrison indicated that the project timeline could be as long as three years and under normal circumstances could take as much as eight years.
- Sarah Huff talked about receiving a phone call from PG&E tree trimming contractors about conducting work along Summers Lane and the ensuing discussion regarding laws related to nesting birds. She reported that PG&E was having difficulty understanding that the Highway 20 Property is not private lands.
- Jennifer Garrison provided details of how PG&E conducted bird nesting surveys and their position regarding the release of completed reports.
- General discussion was held regarding PG&E.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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