SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
Minutes of October 19, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT
Dave Grosch - Chair
Dwight Worden
Mark Kersey
Judy Hegenauer
Dianne Jacob
Jeff Barnouw
Dustin Fuller

MEMBERS ABSENT
Kristin Gaspar - Vice-Chair
Olga Diaz
Barbara Bry

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT
Kevin McKeman
Wayne Brechtel
Shawna Anderson
Brenda Miller
Freda Reid
Bill Michalsky
Steve Hadley
Jacqueline Winterer
Kim Smith
Ellen Breen
Julie Klein
Trish Boaz
Bill Farrell
Mary Farrell
David Meram
Margaret Diss
Niki McGinnis
Maggie Brown

REPRESENTING
City of Poway
City of Del Mar
City of San Diego
City of Solana Beach
County of San Diego
Citizens Advisory Committee
22nd District Agricultural Association

REPRESENTING
County of San Diego
City of Escondido
City of San Diego

REPRESENTING
San Dieguito River Park JPA
JPA Counsel
San Dieguito River Park JPA
San Dieguito River Park JPA
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
Sierra Club
San Diego City Council District 1
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
SANDAG
San Dieguito Lagoon Committee
San Diego Trails Alliance
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
San Diego City Council District 5
County of San Diego
City of San Diego Public Utilities
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley

Introduction and Announcements
Chair Grosch convened the meeting at 11:17 a.m. in the City of Del Mar Town Hall building, 1050 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, CA 92014.

Pledge of Allegiance
Chair Grosch invited all to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
Approval of Minutes of September 21, 2018

Boardmember Worden made the motion to approve the minutes of September 21, 2018 and Boardmember Hegenauser seconded the motion.

Yes votes: Grosch, Worden, Kersey, Hegenauser, Jacob, Barnouw
Absent: Gaspar, Diaz, Bry

Executive Directors Report

Executive Director McKernan presented the first quarter Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget updates showing that the budgets are on track and explained to the Board that the personnel billing process between the Operating and Coast Budgets has been changed. The Agency Time Recap was also discussed and staff time will continue to be reported. Director McKernan reported that the Donors of the Year honored in 2018 were both in attendance; Mrs. Freda Reid and Mr. Jeff Barnouw. Director McKernan wanted to thank and honor Mrs. Freda Reid for her generous donation that helped fund a key land acquisition.

Public Comment – No public comment

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA

1. Appoint Nominating Committee for JPA Board Officers

Executive Director McKernan gave background on the process and mentioned that the Vice-Chair rotates to the Chair, a new Vice-Chair is nominated, members are nominated to the Budget/Administration/Policy Subcommittee. Boardmember Worden volunteered to be on the committee. Chair Grosch appointed Boardmembers Worden and Jacob to the nominating committee. The nominating committee will choose candidates for the Chair and Vice-Chair positions, and Budget/Administration/Policy Subcommittee. The nominating committee will report at the next meeting.

2. Status Update of W-19 Wetland Restoration Project and Final EIR

Principal Planner Shawna Anderson introduced the agenda item, stating that this is an important point in the project timeline. The JPA Board will certify the Final EIR including adoption of the CEQA Findings at the November 16th meeting. Ms. Anderson introduced Kim Smith, SANDAG W-19 Project Manager. The project partners are Caltrans, SANDAG, JPA, and City of San Diego, with the JPA being the land owner, CEQA Lead Agency, and long term manager after restoration is complete. The project is mitigation for the North Coast I-5 Corridor Project impacts and the City of San Diego El Camino Real Widening Project. The partners are also coordinating and consulting with Southern California Edison during the planning process. Ms. Anderson showed a PowerPoint presentation on the W-19 Status, Draft EIR Process, and a Summary of Comments Received and Responses in the Final EIR. Executive Director McKernan encouraged all Board members to attend the important November 16th meeting. Discussion included that all funding is from SANDAG including an endowment for future management. The project construction is planned to begin August 2020 and will last 30 months. Public Comment: Bill Michalsky, Del Mar resident, commented that he likes the W-19 project, however he wants Edison to take responsibility for the condition of the river mouth, as it is not in good shape today. Boardmember Jacob asked JPA staff to please look into this issue. Executive Director McKernan stated that Southern California Edison has a monitoring system in place to look at this issue, with the Coastal Commission being the oversight at this time. Trish Boaz with San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy asked if the Via
de la Valle widening project will impact the restoration that has already been done. Ms. Anderson answered that the widening projects would not impact the W-19 Project. Boardmember Worden stated that a task force made up of representatives from the Cities of Del Mar and Solana Beach and the Fair Board has been formed to discuss the traffic around the Fairgrounds and invited Ms. Anderson to join the group. The JPA will manage the project after the mitigation criteria have been met, which will take several years. Ms. Anderson reported that there are three impacts that are not mitigated; Biology- causing temporary impacts to sensitive habitats and species during construction, Traffic/Circulation – causing temporary impacts to the surrounding street system during construction, and Noise – causing temporary noise levels exceeding allowable limits to beach residents during sand replacement.

3. Coast Maintenance Facility Update and Recommendations

Executive Director Kevin McKernan showed a PowerPoint presentation with the new design of the Coast Maintenance Facility. A report was included in the agenda packet with the cost of the project to date, the current budget and loan payment information. The boardmembers discussed the design, including modular design, financing of the project, loan details, fundraising, and sole sourcing or bid of the project. The office building will be approximately 1300’ and the garage will be about 1100’. A meeting was held with the Coastal volunteers to discuss the landscaping to be installed around the buildings. Director McKernan reported that staff is moving forward with the permit, to secure before the January expiration.

4. SDRP Trails Management Plan and Standards Update Regarding Lake Hodges

**Recommendation:** The JPA Board acknowledges the proposed amendments to the Trails Management Plan and Standards as presented.

Executive Director McKernan introduced the agenda topic and gave background of working with the City of San Diego Public Utilities Department and the California State Department of Drinking Water, regarding the trails around Lake Hodges, specifically 100’ of the highwater mark. The issue was presented to the CAC and Trails Committee. Boardmember Jacob said she would look forward to updates on the matter and Boardmember Kersey thanked the JPA staff for the work and collaboration with the Public Utilities Department. After discussion on the subject, Boardmember Barnouw made the motion to support the proposed amendments to the San Dieguito River Park Trails Management Plan and Standards- Coast to Crest Trail, North Shore Lake Hodges Segment and assisting the Public Utilities Department. Boardmember Jacob seconded the motion.

Yes votes: Grosch, Worden, Kersey, Hegenauer, Jacob, Barnouw
Absent: Gaspar, Diaz, Bry

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**INFORMATION**

5. Coordination Reports

   a. **San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy** – Trish Boaz reported on the River Valley Fest and thanked boardmembers, staff and others for attending the event. Ms. Boaz commented on new restoration grants received, new wildlife habitats projects starting, new education programs, Next to Nature program, $20,000 for the JPA to fund new trail easements in the Rancho Santa Fe, and High Tech Middle School Coast to Crest Trail hike finishing at North Beach, Del Mar on Friday, November 16th.

   b. **Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley** – No Report

   c. **Volcan Mountain Preserve Foundation** – No Report
d. San Dieguito Lagoon Committee – No Report

e. Friends of Sikes Adobe – No Report

6. Jurisdictional Status Reports – Boardmember Jacob reported that the Santa Ysabel Nature Center is under construction. Boardmember Worden welcomed everyone to the City of Del Mar Town Hall and demonstrated and commented on some of the wonderful features of the building. He stated that this is a demonstration that local governments can build beautiful, sustainable, and functional buildings. Boardmember Hegenauer reported that the first event celebrating the Lake Hodges 100th year anniversary was held last week. Del Mar will host an event November 7 and Rancho Santa Fe will also have an event. Boardmember Worden stated that the Del Mar Town Hall is available to nonprofit organizations, Boardmember Fuller reported that the Storm Water Project is underway and will wrap up in 2 years. Mr. Fuller stated that the South Overflow Lot phase 2 is going well. Chair Grosch thanked Boardmember Worden for the use of the Town Hall for the meeting today and invited the JPA back on November 16th.

7. Communications – No Communications

The meeting was adjourned at 12:49 AM. The Boardmembers and guests were invited to view the short film “Creating Legacy – The Founding of the San Dieguito River Park”.

These minutes approved by Board Action

12/4/2018

Date Executive Director