

**SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
Minutes of January 18, 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Grosch –Chair
Kristin Gaspar – Vice-Chair
Dwight Worden
Olga Diaz
Barbara Bry
Mark Kersey
Dianne Jacob
Jeff Barnouw
Dustin Fuller

REPRESENTING

City of Poway
County of San Diego
City of Del Mar
City of Escondido
City of San Diego
City of San Diego
County of San Diego
Citizens Advisory Committee
22 District Agricultural Association

MEMBERS ABSENT

Judy Hegenauer

REPRESENTING

City of Solana Beach

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT

Wayne Brechtel
Kevin McKernan
Shawna Anderson
Brenda Miller
John Barone
Crystal Benham
Don Mosier
Julie Klein
Carol Kerrich/Randee Warren
Bill Michalsky
Jacqueline Winterer
Steven Hadley
Adam Wilson
David Meram
Itica Milanes

JPA Counsel
San Dieguito River Park JPA
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City of San Diego Public Utilities
County of San Diego
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
San Diego Trails Alliance
Del Mar Lagoon Committee
Sierra Club
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
City of San Diego, District One
County of San Diego, District Two
City of San Diego, District Five
County of San Diego, District Three

Introduction and Announcements

Chair Grosch convened the meeting at 11:00 a.m in the County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302/303, San Diego, CA 92101.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Grosch all to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes of November 16, 2018

Vice-Chair Gaspar made a motion to approve the minutes of November, 16, 2018 and Boardmember Barnouw seconded the motion.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Kevin McKernan gave his report in a PowerPoint presentation. Director McKernan invited all in attendance to the Pamo Valley Ribbon-Cutting event that will be held Saturday, January 26, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Director McKernan then honored Peter Bergstrom, Volcan Mountain Foundation founder and advocate and Tom Cook from Rancho Bernardo, advocate of interpreting local history. Director McKernan displayed a dashboard presentation of the Fiscal Year 18-19, 2nd quarter reporting of the budget status, cash balances with the County of San Diego, current project status, and endowment account balances. He also presented a detailed budget report and the quarterly jurisdictional agency staff time report. Chair Grosch asked that the dashboard report be sent to the boardmembers prior to the meeting. Boardmember Diaz asked that each member agency contribution be added to the agency report. The boardmembers discussed the reports.

Public Comment- No public comment.

ACTION AGENDA**1. Election of JPA Board Officers for 2019**

Boardmember Jacob moved approval of the JPA nominating committee proposal of Vice-Chair Gaspar for Chair and Boardmember Bry for Vice-Chair for 2019. The proposed Budget/Administration Committee will consist of Boardmembers Gaspar, Worden, Diaz, and Grosch. Boardmember Diaz seconded the motion.

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

Director McKernan and other boardmembers thanked Chair Grosch for his years of support and leadership. The ad hoc committee meeting day and time was discussed.

Boardmember Worden arrived to the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

2. Review Contract Options for Coast Maintenance Facility

Executive Director McKernan thanked Principal Planner Shawna Anderson for her perseverance to secure the Coast Maintenance Facility permit. Director McKernan continued to present this agenda item and asked Counsel Wayne Brechtel to explain the options of directing staff to negotiate a final contract with Baker Design Build for construction of the Coast Maintenance Facility project based upon a finding that there would be no competitive advantage to a third bid process or direct staff to begin a third bid process to build the project. The board reviewed that staff has bid the project twice and received bids higher than budget and the feeling is that going to bid a third time would result in even higher bids. Counsel Brechtel stated that this situation is an exception to the regular bid process, cited cases, and said there is no competitive advantage to a third bid round and recommended signing a contract with Baker Design Build. The boardmembers discussed many issues; time used to go to bid process, possibility of higher bids and upsetting bidders, shortage of contactors to do the work, regular update on repayment plan for loan very important, concern for JPA credibility, the contract shall be written not to exceed \$860,000, and that the JPA and Conservancy should be fundraising to pay the loan. The board also thanked Counsel Brechtel for all of the information he provided on this issue.

Vice-Chair Bry made the motion to approve the contract with Baker Design Build including the findings in the staff report, for construction of the Coast Maintenance Facility not to exceed \$860,000. Boardmember Barnouw seconded the motion.

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

INFORMATION

3. Project Status Updates

a. Pamo Valley Trail

Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that the fencing is being completed and announced the Ribbon-Cutting event Saturday, January 26th, 10:00 a.m. There will also be ranger led hikes of the three-mile trail. The event is open to the public; bikers, walkers, and equestrians are invited to attend. Restoration, amenities, and interpretive signs have not been finished. Ms. Anderson said the JPA received a lot of support from County staff and the City of San Diego Public Utilities Department. She also said this trail completes 48 miles of the 71 mile Coast to Crest Trail. Director McKernan said that this trail represents three more miles of trail on City of San Diego property in the back country and that the JPA will try to hire an additional ranger this next budget year.

b. Ranger Maintenance Facility

Principal Planner Shawna Anderson reported that the permit for the Coast Ranger Station was secured on January 9th, one day before permit would have expired.

c. San Dieguito River Park JPA 30th Anniversary

Executive Director McKernan said that the JPA is celebrating its 30th year on June 14, 2019. An event is being planned, and will be combined with the annual Volunteer Appreciation party. The event will be held at Sikes Adobe on June 9th. JPA staff will be posting blogs on the website with events from each of the 30 years.

4. Coordination Reports

a. San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy

Don Mosier gave a brief report on the work that the Conservancy has been doing on land acquisition. Mr. Mosier reported on a piece of property located near Del Dios Highway and asked that the County may consider partnering on the acquisition. Boardmember Diaz asked that Mr. Mosier send the information to the Escondido Creek Conservancy, as a possible partner also.

b. Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley

Jacqueline Winterer stated that Friends promised to buy screen for new ranger station and asked Director McKernan to let them know what the cost will be.

c. Volcan Mountain Preserve Foundation - no report

d. San Dieguito Lagoon Committee – no report

e. Friends of Sikes Adobe -- no report

5. Jurisdictional Status Reports

Boardmember Fuller reported on the vegetation and bollards installed at the SOL east of Jimmy Durante and that the storm water project is going well. He also mentioned that Don Mosier had been appointed to the DAA board. Boardmember Worden reported that FEMA will be coming to Del Mar May 15th at 5:30 in association with the Del Mar Sea Level adaption plan. Boardmember Barnouw said the Interpretation Committee has picked three names and will take the names to the CAC. Boardmember Bry thanked Director McKernan and Principal Planner Anderson for their persistence and Counsel Brechtel for his great advice regarding the Ranger Maintenance Facility. Boardmember Kersey thanked Director McKernan for mentioning Tom Cook and said he will be missed. Boardmember Jacob said the Santa Ysabel Nature Center is under construction. Boardmember Grosch thanked JPA staff and volunteers.

The meeting was adjourned at 11: 50 AM

These minutes approved by Board Action

3/29/2019

Date



Executive Director