SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
Minutes of April 15, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dianne Jacob – Chair
Don Mosier
Mark Kersey
Dave Roberts
Dave Zito
Jeff Barnouw
Dustin Fuller

REPRESENTING

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dave Grosch – Vice Chair
Olga Diaz
Sherri Lightner

REPRESENTING

City of Poway
City of Escondido
City of San Diego

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT

Wayne Brechtel
Kevin McKerman
Brenda Miller
Kim Wehinger
Trish Boaz
Jacqueline Winterer
Bill Michalsky
Terry Kopanski
Keith Corry
Garrett Hager
Ed Greene

JPA Counsel
San Dieguito River Park JPA
San Dieguito River Park JPA
City of San Diego Public Utilities
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
Sierra Club
San Dieguito Lagoon Committee
Supervisor Roberts Staff
Councilman Kersey’s Staff
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley

Introduction and Announcements

Chair Jacob convened the meeting at 11:01a.m. in the County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302/303, San Diego, CA 92101

Approval of Minutes of

Board member Barnouw made a motion to approve the minutes of February 19, 2016; Board member Mosier seconded the motion.

Yes Votes: Jacob, Roberts, Mosier, Barnouw, Zito, Kersey
Absent: Diaz, Grosch, Lightner

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- **3rd Qtr Budget Status**
  Executive Director McKernan provided a handout of the 3rd quarter budget status noting that the revenues are higher than estimated and the expenditures are within the 3rd quarter budget target.

- **Reporting of Time spent by Member Agency Jurisdiction**
  Executive Director McKernan reported on the staff time spent in each jurisdiction for the 3rd quarter FY 2015-2016

- **Other Metrics of JPA Resources Beyond Member Agency Contribution**
  Executive Director McKernan showed more information of trail miles, land ownership, habitat management plans, and other projects including the Southern California Edison grant for the Coastal Restoration Project. Director McKernan also presented a survey of visitors to the San Dieguito River Park, in reference to their towns of residence. The 219 surveys were done by Trail Committee members at two locations. The recommendation was made to repeat the survey annually or semi-annually.

- **Introduction of Prospective Pro Bono financial Adviser**
  Executive Director McKernan presented the resume of Jacqueline Bell, investment advisor, who has agreed to manage the JPA accounts currently held at Fidelity Investments, pro bono. The accounts have been previously managed pro bono by Bill Carter however Mr. Carter is retiring. Board member Mosier stated that the Mosier family has used Ms. Bell’s services for the last decade and that her company Dowling & Yahnke, consistently outperforms Fidelity Investments. Any recommendations from Ms. Bell to place the investments with a different company will be brought to the JPA Board for approval.

**Public Comment:** No Public Comment

**ACTION AGENDA**

1. **FY 16/17 Budget Adoption**

   Executive Director McKernan reported that the Budget Subcommittee (Board members Diaz, Mosier, Zito and Kersey) met on March 18. Director McKernan is proposing a flat budget regarding expenditures. Director McKernan is projecting that revenues from non-member agency sources will be lower on the proposed budget than the current year projections, and is requesting a 4% increase in the member agency contributions to balance the budget.

   Board member Mosier made the motion to adopt the FY 16-17 budget. Board member Zito seconded the motion.

   Yes votes: Jacob, Roberts, Mosier, Barnouw, Zito, Kersey
   Absent: Diaz, Grosch, Lightner
2. **San Dieguito River Park Trails Management Plan and Standards Adoption**
   - Response to Public Comments
   - Trails Management Plan and Standards Draft

Executive Director McKernan reported that the Trails Management Plan and Standards draft was sent to the member agencies, other interested parties, and published on the JPA website for review and comment for a 30-day period which ended on March 18. Director McKernan mentioned all of the comments received. The final draft is included for the Board to approve. Dustin Fuller commented on the great job the River Park rangers are doing to keep park visitors from disturbing the Least Tern nesting site.

Board member Roberts made the motion to approve the final Trails Management Plan and Standards. Board member Mosier seconded the motion.

Yes votes: Jacob, Roberts, Mosier, Barnouw, Zito, Kersey
Absent: Diaz, Grosch, Lightner

INFORMATION

3. **Park Project Status Updates**
   a. Pamo Valley Trail CEQA/ISMND 30-day Comment Period

Executive Director McKernan reported the exciting news that a site visit has been scheduled for the end of May with the California Natural Resources Agency, part of the River Parkways grant application. The CEQA document for the City of San Diego permit is currently in the 30 day comment period.

   b. Coast Ranger Station

Executive Director McKernan reported that staff is still in the process of acquiring the building permits from the City of San Diego. A list of contractors is being assembled and a RFP will be sent soon.

   b. Horsepark Trail Segment Storm Damage

Executive Director McKernan reported that a good meeting was held with the 22nd District Agricultural Association, regarding how to go forward to repair the trail.

Executive Director McKernan also announced that Del Mar Lagoon Day will be held May 21 and thanked Supervisor Roberts for his recommendation of the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program grant. The JPA has been awarded a grant for $25,000 for infrastructure needs at the headquarters office and at Sikes Historic Farmstead.
4. Coordination Reports

a. San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy - Director Boaz reported that the Conservancy was awarded a $5000 grant from Gelson’s Grocery Store and spoke with Gelson’s about the possibility of a mural being painted on the top half of the south facing wall that says San Dieguito River Park and have children paint the bottom half at a special event. Patagonia has also awarded the Conservancy with a $1000 grant for the Citizen Science program. On May 10 the Conservancy and the River Park will be giving a presentation at A16.

b. Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley - Jacqueline Winterer stated that the Friends will give $5000 to the JPA to hire a consultant to determine the cost of restoration of the Horsepark Trail that has been blown out.

c. Volcan Mountain Preserve Foundation – No report

d. San Dieguito Lagoon Committee - Terry Kopanski reported that the roundabout at Jimmy Durante and San Dieguito Road has been approved by the Del Mar City Council. Construction should begin in November with completion by February 17. River Path Del Mar looks great and the ribbon cutting is scheduled for May 21 in conjunction with Lagoon Day.

5. Jurisdictional Status reports

Ex-officio Board member Fuller reported that the South Overflow Lot construction will be done by Marathon Construction and that the executed contract has been received. A request for extension of the completion date has been submitted to the California Coastal Commission. Board member Kersey reported that Mayor Faulconer has unveiled the budget which will be formally presented next week. Board member Mosier gave an update on the Sea Level Rise Committee. Board member Mosier stated that it has been found that sea level rise and climate change found in the revised coastal plan are happening quicker than expected. It would be a good idea to plan future trails farther from the river. Board member Roberts asked if the JPA staff would add the Polo Field lease to the agenda for an update in the future. Executive Director McKernan stated that the lease from the City of San Diego has not been published or released yet. Board member Roberts asked that the JPA board be kept apprised of any new developments.

6. Communications – No communications.

Chair Jacob adjourned the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

These minutes approved by Board Action

5/18/16
Executive Director