

**SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
Minutes of September 16, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Grosch – Chair
Greg Kazmer Alternate for Joel Anderson
Tina Inscoe
Jeff Barnouw Alternate for Chris Khoury
Joe LaCava
Dwight Worden
Dustin Fuller

REPRESENTING

City of Poway
County of San Diego Dist. 2
City of Escondido
Citizens Advisory Committee
City of San Diego District 1
City of Del Mar
22nd Agricultural District

MEMBERS ABSENT

Terra Lawson-Remer
Kelly Harless
Marni von Wilpert

REPRESENTING

County of San Diego Dist. 3
City of Solana Beach
City of San Diego Dist. 5

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT

Shawna Anderson
Christal Ames
Ayden Zielke
Wayne Brechtel
Cheryl Goddard
Carrie Shah
Maggie Brown
Gail Ryan
Lizzy Bendrick
Sharon Fogg
Julie Klein

San Dieguito River Park JPA
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JPA Counsel
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
City of San Diego Dist 1
Friends of San Dieguito River Valley
City of San Diego
County of San Diego
Citizens Advisory Committee
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Introduction and Announcements:

Chair Grosch convened the meeting at 11:00 a.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum of six Board Members were present to begin the meeting. Chair Grosch officially welcomed Greg Kazmer as the Alternate for County of San Diego Dist. 2 Supervisor, Joel Anderson.

1. **Approval of Resolution 22-9 Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings per AB 361**

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution 22-9, Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings

Motion to approve Resolution 22-9 by Board Member Inscoe, seconded by Board Member Kazmer.

Public Comment – no comments

Yes votes: Kazmer, Grosch, Inscoe, Barnouw, LaCava, Worden

Absent: Lawson-Remer, von Wilpert, Harless

Approval of Minutes of August 19th

Board Member Kazmer made the motion to approve the Minutes of August 19, 2022. Board Member Barnouw seconded the motion.

Public Comment – no public comments

Yes votes: Kazmer, Grosch, Inscoe, Barnouw, LaCava, Worden

Absent: Lawson-Remer, von Wilpert, Harless

Executive Directors Report – Director Anderson shared a photo of the new Coastal Ranger Station Monument sign, provided through an Edison International grant. The Ranger Station also has a new kiosk provided by a local Eagle Scout, filled with information about the W-19 Restoration Project and current events. Director Anderson summarized the progress of the Get-To-71 Miles joint Fundraising campaign, including the fact that we're at 67% of goal. The plan is to raise 90% of the funding goal while in the "quiet phase" and launch a public phase to raise the final 10%. Director Anderson also reported that JPA staff received several quality proposals from consultant teams who responded to the JPA's trail design RFP solicitation. A selection committee will review the proposals.

Public Comment – no public comment

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA

2. Approval of SDG&E Easement Amendment on JPA Property at Sycamore Westridge

Director Anderson explained the proposed amendment for the purpose of replacing one wooden utility pole with a steel pole. The amendment to the existing easement is limited to the area needed for the new pole to keep habitat impacts to a minimum on the preserve. Motion to approve the SDG&E Easement Amendment on JPA Property at Sycamore Westridge was made by Board Member LaCava and seconded by Board Member Kazmer.

Public Comment – no public comment

Yes votes: Kazmer, Grosch, Inscoc, Barnouw, LaCava, Worden

Absent: Lawson-Remer, von Wilpert, Harless

3. **JPA ad-hoc Budget Committee Report** – Board Member Worden stated that the ad-hoc committee consisting of Boardmembers Worden, Fuller, and Inscoc met on 9/8/2022 and reviewed the JPA's endowment accounts held at three foundations. The committee concluded that although the funds took a hit over the last several months of 2022 due to the recent economic downturn, the endowment funds are invested for the long-term and overall remain in good condition. The committee also discussed the JPA's investment policy and oversight guidelines, which require financial oversight of JPA investments. The committee recommended several future actions including: 1) establishing an oversight committee with assistance from a financial expert from one of the JPA's member agencies to review endowment performance and other financial matters, 2) address the JPA's operations endowment that remains only partially funded, and 3) review the record of each foundation's contributions to SDRP projects to increase participation and contributions. Board Member Worden stated that no specific actions items are recommended at this time but that the issues be addressed at future JPA meeting. Board Member Inscoc offered to reach out to her contacts at the San Diego Foundation.

Public Comment – no public comment

4. **Citizens Advisory Committee Request to JPA Board regarding Surf Cup Sports**

Request from the CAC was presented to the JPA Board to take action to help resolve the long-standing delays of the required Coast to Crest Trail and habitat restoration on Surf Cup Sports leasehold (property owned by the City), as well as illegal grading and parking activities observed by the public on adjacent property that Surf Cup Sports recently purchased. Specific recommendations were presented to the JPA Board by the CAC, along with photos and documented maps of the affected wetlands.

Following discussion by the Boardmembers, a motion was made in three parts:

- 1) Forward entire JPA agenda report to Councilmember LaCava's office with JPA Board recommendation that the City of San Diego resolve the issue by setting a timeline for when the trail and habitat restoration must be completed by Surf Cup Sports.
- 2) Notify the City of San Diego that the JPA Board takes seriously the allegation of violations conducted by Surf Cup Sports on their adjacent property (3975 Via de la Valle, aka former Milan property) and ask the City to resolve this issue.
- 3) Direct JPA staff to notify the resource agencies, Army Corp of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and the Regional Water Quality Control Board, about the grading and filling of wetlands on the former Milan property.

Motion to approve was made by Board Member Worden and seconded by Board Member Kazmer.

Public Comment - no comments

Yes votes: Kazmer, Grosch, Inscoc, Barnouw, LaCava, Worden
Absent: Lawson-Remer, vonWilpert, Harless

INFORMATION

5. Project Status Updates -

- a. **Osuna Segment of CTC Trail** - Project is in the permit process at the City of San Diego. Director Anderson stated that the San Dieguito Planning Group at their September meeting approved sending a letter to the County Parks staff requesting that the County of San Diego elevate the San Dieguito Road Pathway project as a priority capital project. The Pathway will connect directly to the Osuna segment of the CTC Trail. They will be sending a letter to the County Parks staff.
- b. **Reach the Beach Fairgrounds Trail** – no change
- c. **San Dieguito Lagoon Phase II Restoration (aka W-19)** – construction is on-going

Public Comment – no comments

6. Coordination Reports (oral)

- a. **San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy**- Executive Director Cheryl Goddard gave a summary of upcoming SDRVC events, including the River Valley Fest on November 6th at the Del Mar Hilton, and encouraged JPA Boardmembers to attend.
- b. **Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley**- no report
- c. **Volcan Mountain Foundation** – no report
- d. **San Dieguito Lagoon Committee**- no report

7. Jurisdictional Status Reports –

Dwight Worden reported that Southern California Edison contractors are scheduled to dredge the San Dieguito River mouth in November, as part of their permit obligation to keep the river mouth open to tidal flow. The work was rescheduled after being delayed earlier this year due to tar balls from the oil spill in Huntington Beach.

Chair Dave Grosh expressed his gratitude of Director Shawna's contributions.

Board Member LaCava introduced his staff person Carrie Shah, who is replacing Ricky Flahive's position.

Chair Grosch adjourned the meeting at 12:33pm.

11/10/2022
Date


Executive Director