## SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK

#### **JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

## Minutes of March 15, 2019

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

# Kristin Gaspar – Chair Barbara Bry- Vice-Chair Dwight Worden

Dave Grosch Olga Diaz

Judy Hegenauer

Mark Kersey Jeff Barnouw

**Dustin Fuller** 

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dianne Jacob

## **VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT**

Kevin McKernan

Wayne Brechtel Brenda Miller

Bill Michalsky

Steve Hadley

Julie Klein

Jacqueline Winter

David Meram

Crystal Benham

Randee Warren

Carol Kerridge

## **REPRESENTING**

County of San Diego
City of San Diego
City of Del Mar
City of Poway

City of Escondido City of Solana Beach City of San Diego

Citizens Advisory Committee

22<sup>nd</sup> District Agricultural Association

## REPRESENTING

County of San Diego

San Dieguito River Park JPA

JPA Counsel

San Dieguito River Park JPA

Sierra Club

San Diego City Council District 1

San Diego Trails Alliance

Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley

City of San Diego District 5

County of San Diego Parks Department

Del Mar Lagoon Committee Del Mar Lagoon Committee

## **Introduction and Announcements**

Chair Gaspar convened the meeting at 11:02 AM in the County Administration building, 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302/303, San Diego, CA 92101

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Gaspar invited all to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Approval of Minutes of January 18, 2019**

Boardmember Bry made the motion to approve the minutes of January 18, 2019 and Boardmember Barnouw seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Jacob

Executive Directors Report - Executive Director McKernan presented a slide show of recent events; a \$15,000 donation from the Chris Khoury and Linda Corey family to be paid toward the principal on the loan for the Blum property purchase, the Pamo Valley Trail ribbon cutting by donor Joan Griffin, a staff led hike on the Pamo Valley Trail segment of the Coast to Crest Trail, work being done on the Ranger Maintenance building, and a map showing the location of the proposed Osuna Bridge location near Surf Cup Sports in Del Mar and the issues the JPA is having trying to obtain a 1000' easement in this area. Vice-Chair Bry asked that the information be sent to her office.

**Public Comment** – No public comment

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

## 1. Receive and Distribute Third Party Audit Report for Year Ending June 30, 2018.

Director McKernan provided a staff report and shared some insight into the audit report after discussions with the auditors and review of the auditor's report. Boardmember Barnouw made the motion to receive and distribute the third party audit report for year ending June 30, 2018. Boardmember Diaz seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Jacob

#### 2. Approval of Proposed FY 19-20 Budget

Director McKernan developed the budget and met with the San Dieguito River Park JPA Budget/Admin/Policy Committee February 15. The Committee is in support of the proposed budget. An increase in the member agency contribution is proposed of 4.91% over the prior year. Director McKernan explained the most significant changes in revenues and expenditures. Chair Gaspar said the Budget subcommittee met twice and spent a lot of time to discussing ways to increase revenue. The result is that the JPA has a lean budget. The Budget subcommittee's recommendation is approval of budget including an increase of 5% in member agency contributions. Boardmember Diaz stated that another cost management issue is the annual lease payment to the City of San Diego for the Pedestrian Bridge over Lake Hodges and asked for Vice-Chair Bry's support, stating that the JPA funded the bridge and that for some reason the JPA has to pay rent every year to the City of San Diego. Vice-Chair Bry asked that the information be provided to her office. Executive Director McKernan stated that the new Pamo Valley section of the Coast to Crest Trail will cost \$25,000 per year in the budget and noted that every mile of trail built increases the budget. Boardmember Barnouw made the motion to approve the proposed FY 19-20 budget with the member agency contribution increase of 5% instead of the proposed 4.91%. Boardmember Diaz seconded the motion.

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

Absent: Jacob

## **INFORMATION**

## 3. Project Status Updates

- a. Ranger Maintenance Facility Director McKernan reported "we broke ground and everything is moving forward with the project".
- b. San Dieguito River Park 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Director McKernan reported that the JPA was formed in 1989 and this is the 30<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. An event is being planned for June 9<sup>th</sup> at Sikes Adobe. The event activities will include a 15K/5K/1K/Tot Trot trail run, partner organization booths creating a community fair, tours of the farm house, an online and live auction, and the Farmers Market. The Volunteer Appreciation Party will be on the same day. Signups for race will be online soon. Executive Director McKernan thanked Boardmember Diaz for her referral of a race organizer. Director McKernan also mentioned that JPA staff members are writing blogs for the website commemorating the past thirty years.

#### 4. Coordination Reports

- a. San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy- None
- b. Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley- None
- c. Volcan Mountain Preserve Foundation- None
- d. San Dieguito Lagoon Committee- None
- e. Friends of Sikes Adobe- None

#### 5. Jurisdictional Status Reports- None

#### 6. **Communications**- None

7. The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session: Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956(d)(2) – Rothwell Claim.

Counsel Brechtel reported that the Board met in closed session. The decision was made to reject the claim. No formal action was taken.

Chair Gaspar adjourned the meeting at 11:40 AM.

These minutes approved by Board Action

Date

**Executive Director**