

**SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of February 5, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Barnouw
Rich Risner
Phil Pryde
Linda Oster
Maggie Brown
Emily Troxell, Monica Demler, Diane Hillman
Herb Dackerman
Judy LaVine
Liz Gabrych
Don Wendt
Terry Norwood
Jeremy Blakespear
Carol Kerridge
Peter Shapiro
Bill Michalsky
Pat Whitt
Eric Jones
Carol Carr
Cory Ha'o

REPRESENTING

CAC, Chair
American Society of Landscape Architects
Audubon Society
Del Dios Town Council
Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
Friends of Sikes Adobe
Julian Community Planning Group
Lake Hodges Native Plant Club
League of Women Voters
Ramona Trails
Rancho Bernardo Planning Board
San Diego Mountain Bike Association
San Dieguito Lagoon Committee
San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
Sierra Club
Torrey Pines Community Planning Group
Volcan Mountain Preserve
Walkabout International
Coastal Property Owner

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT

Brenda Miller	San Dieguito River Park JPA
Shawna Anderson	San Dieguito River Park JPA
Ayden Zielke	San Dieguito River Park JPA
Dwight Worden	JPA Board Chair – Del Mar
Tina Inscoe	JPA Board Member - Escondido
Madeline Shute	JPA Board Member Joel Anderson –County
Johnny John	Coastal Homeowner
Nina John	Coastal Homeowner

Roll Call and Introductions

Chair Barnouw convened the remote Zoom teleconference meeting at 10:32 a.m. and confirmed a quorum of 17 in attendance by roll call.

Approval of Minutes- August 7, 2020

Chair Barnouw asked for a motion to approve. Carol Carr motioned to approve the minutes of August 7, 2020 and Peter Shapiro seconded the motion. All members in favor.

Chair's Report – Chair Barnouw reported on the JPA meeting held January 15th and announced the six new board members.

Executive Director's Report – Executive Director Shawna Anderson reported that the JPA has hired Ayden Zielke for the Environmental Planner position and Ayden will start March 1. Director Anderson presented a 2020 year end recap PowerPoint. Director Anderson also reported that the Osuna Trail construction will begin in 2022-2023.

Public Comment - Nina John made a comment in strong opposition to the proposed assisted living project being planned next to the Stallions Crossing development at El Camino Real across from the Dust Devil Trail. Chair Barnouw stated the three committees that are part of the CAC and said that this project will be discussed by the Project Review Committee and will be brought to the CAC at a later date. Johnny John also commented that the City of San Diego is considering the proposed project and the St. John Garabed Church project together.

Maggie Brown commented that the Friends of San Dieguito River Valley court case against Surf Cup Sports and the City of San Diego had lost their appeal and that CEQA is not required. Ms. Brown also stated that the ruling made it clear that use of the Surf Cup Sports property was 25 days of events not 25 multi day events. Bill Michalsky asked if ebikes are allowed on the River Park trails. After a brief discussion Executive Director Anderson said the item of ebikes will be put on a future agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Project Review Committee** – Jeff Barnouw reported that the PRC discussed the proposed assisted living project next to Stallions Crossing.
- b. **Trails Committee** – Carol Carr reported that Tuesday, February 9, six committee members will be going on a field trip to a section of the Coast to Crest Trail near Lusardi Canyon, close to Artesian Road near San Dieguito Road, and an extension at the west end of the Santa Fe Valley Trail.
- c. **Interpretation Committee** – Liz Gabrych reported on the January 12th meeting that a \$22,000 grant was received to build a watershed model. Ms. Gabrych stated that an RFP had been published soliciting the design and build of a watershed model and that many good ideas have been received. The Committee is also looking for watershed sign ideas. The Committee will meet again Tuesday, February 9 and is also looking into a land grant map regarding California ranchos.

INFORMATION

2. **Horse Park Situation (general discussion)**

Executive Director Shawna Anderson reported that according to the 22nd District Agricultural Association horse operations will be temporarily moved from Horse Park to the Fairgrounds by the end of March 2021 due to issues regarding stormwater regulations and while the Ag District considers their options. Ms. Anderson gave background information and stated that the issue is on the Fair Board meeting agenda for February 9, 2021. Director Anderson said she is drafting a letter for JPA board consideration at their next meeting February 19, 2021. Ms. Anderson said the JPA should be an active participant as discussions and negotiations go forward. Director Anderson was asked and suggested that if member organizations are concerned about the issue they should write comment letters to the Fair Board and cc the JPA. She also said the CAC could make a statement. No action was taken by the CAC.

3. **Park and Project Status and Updates (oral)**

Executive Director Shawna Anderson reported that phase 2 of the San Dieguito Lagoon Restoration will begin in the fall of 2021. The final agreement with Southern California Edison will be on the JPA agenda in the near future. The JPA rangers are doing planting at Pamo Valley Trail and at some habitat management areas. Director Anderson discussed several grant opportunities coming available soon that might be appropriate for future trail segments, including CTC segments from Bandy Canyon to Clevenger Canyon and Lake Sutherland.

Chair Barnouw adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.