SMRPD’s Mission Statement - “To promote community well being through programs and activities that protect, preserve and enrich the canyons’ heritage, open space and unique way of life.”

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY JANUARY 24, 2012 AT 7:00 PM

AT THE SILVERADO COMMUNITY CENTER

27641 SILVERADO CANYON ROAD, SILVERADO 92676

DIRECTORS
Greg Bates - President
Tom Smisek - Vice President
Ron Shepston – Treasurer
Chay Peterson - Secretary
Lisa Collins - Director

STAFF
Aimee Bryer - Sec Director
Elizabeth Martyn - General Counsel
Bev Mileham - Admin. Assistant
Steve Reighart - Caretaker
Meghan Warner - Bookkeeper

MINUTES

Action Item) This document is available in PDF format at http://www.smrdp.org

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM by Director Smisek, who acted as chair person, until Director Bates caught in traffic, arrived and continued the meeting as chair person.

ROLL CALL
Directors Bates, Smisek, Peterson, Shepston, and Collins were present. Caretaker Steve Reighart, Children Center Director Aimee Bryer, and Admin. Assist. Bev Mileham

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE
Hank Rodgers, Steve Kerrigan, Dana Judd, Marion Schuller, Linda Kearns, Jane Bove, Debbie Seltzer, Joel Robinson, Scott Breeden, Linda Unger, Janet Wilson, Mary Schreiber, Wendy Hayter.

PUBLIC AND BOARD INPUT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS
Steve Kerrigan requested the use of the Silverado Com. Ctr. For the annual Firefighters Pancake Breakfast on March 30th. Brett Peterson offered to move the stage to the church.

Director Bates introduced the new Auditor, Robert Johnson, who then spoke to the public explaining his duties for the district.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1st ACTION: Director Peterson made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar and correspondence, with Minutes of Dec. 27th and also Transmittals 01-13A, 01-13B, and 01-13C. Director Collins seconded. Unanimously approved.

CHILDRENS CENTER DIRECTORS REPORT

Things going well, having committee planning meetings to discuss maintenance issues at children’s center. Two parent workdays are planned. Chili cook off fundraisers are coming up. Parents meeting, and potluck lunch, and a Stone Soup dinner are coming up, as well as a trip to the Aquarium for the kids. A school readiness nurse is coming to the center to do health screenings for the kids preparing to attend kindergarten.

OTHER DISTRICT BUSINESS

(A) Director Smisek gave a Christmas in the Canyons wrap-up. Event was a big success with finances coming out a little ahead, which will then be rolled over to next year’s event. Director Smisek thanked everyone for their help and support. Possible plans for a Spring event being discussed.

(B) SMRPD is managing the Riviera land, across from the Community Center, Director Smisek says major event plans should ask for permission to park buses etc. Otherwise folks using the Riviera to hike or walk their dogs are OK without permission.

(C) Director Peterson completed the quarterly Safety Minutes for Capri, they will be put in next month’s Agenda for review and approval.

(D) Directors discussed the Grand Jury report, Directors Bates and Peterson are working on their response with comments.

2nd ACTION: Director Smisek made a motion to approve Director Bates and Director Peterson to finish the response letter to the Orange County Grand Jury. Director Collins seconded. Unanimously approved.
(E)
Directors discussed the high cost of SCE electricity issues and asked the public for their comments. An idea was to join a representative group to negotiate with utility cost management. Threaten SCE by calling CPC. Janet Wilson suggested a group called “Turn”. Director Bates will work on this further.

(F)
Directors asked the public for their opinion about a Handgun Safety Course that is being considered as a class. Their were mixed feelings, especially in leu of recent headlines. Alex Hommes safety class instructor said guns were being sold in record numbers and feels it is important for people to know how to use them. A question of liability came up.

3rd ACTION: Director Smisek made a motion to contact Capri to discuss liability questions about vendor activities that are held at this facility and any ramifications that could be involved with allowing the class. Director Collins seconded. Three Directors voted yes, one no.

(G)
The Directors are receiving bids for tree trimming work needed to be done at Modjeska Park and the Children’s Center.

(H)
Dates for upcoming concerts, movie nights, talent and dance contest and a Hootenanny, are being planned in the canyons. Dates so far are in April, June, July, Aug and Sept.

(J)
Directors Shepston and Collins are working on improving SMRPD’s website. The new website will have a better look at recreation activities, as well as the new Spring brochure and an updated improved calendar. A public correspondence page may be added. The Directors will bring the new website design ideas to the Board for final approval.

(K)
The Directors were reminded to complete their AB1234 Ethics training Form 700 Conflict of Interest forms, that are due April 1st but should be in before that.

(L)
There is discussion between the County and OUSD over a possible purchase of the Silverado Elementary school site. Director Bates asked the public for their ideas of ways they feel the property could best be used. Director Bates would like to share these ideas with the county.

COMMITTEES
Recreation
- Director Peterson and Joel Robinson are starting a Tues. 3PM hike at the Mesa.

Director Collins is looking into facility usage and the money being made. New programs are coming up, yoga fitness, gentle yoga, tutoring for after school kids, a food preserving class, Canyon Grower Society, Canyon kids crafts, beginning photography, CPR, first aide, bike and horseback, two step dance, and Bingo night.

Finance
- Robert Johnson the new auditor, is working with bookkeeper Meghan Warner.

Open Space and Trails
- meeting coming up in Feb.

Facilities
- Director Bates thanked Director Peterson for doing the Safety Minutes for Capri.

Next Agenda changes **Finances Bates and Shepston Facilities Collins and Peterson**

**DIRECTORS COMMENTS**

Director Collins -

Bob Miller, of Capri, stated that he no longer did playground inspections and Lisa Collins suggested they take a vote to allow her $500 to go hire playground inspector. Greg Bates made a motion to approve the $500, but community member Brett Peterson stated that they could not take a vote on an non-agendized item. The vote was removed. "The Directors will consider this and vote at the next Agenda.

Director Bates - talking with county about two bridges that will be replaced, they want input

Director Peterson - The SMRPD brochures made by Director Tom Smisek which highlight his personal bio and advertising for smisekadvertising.com. Director Peterson believes this to be a possible violation of AB1234 State Ethics, Fair Political Practices law there will be further discussion this month on the topic.

**ADJOURN 9:15PM. Next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be at the Silverado Community Center, 27641 Silverado Canyon Road at 7:00PM on Tues. Feb 26, 2013**