



Livermore Area  
Recreation & Park District  
*An independent special district*

## LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

### MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

ROBERT LIVERMORE COMMUNITY CENTER  
4444 EAST AVENUE, LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA

### REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Directors Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, Wilson and Chair Faltings  
DIRECTORS ABSENT: None  
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mathew Fuzie, Patricia Lord, Linda Van Buskirk, Andy Pinasco

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Faltings called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All Directors were present.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Richard Tarbell, a Livermore resident, addressed the Board regarding a recreational opportunity, i.e. to add exercise stations along the Arroyo Mocho from Concannon through Murrieta and to Robertson Park. He presented the board with a series of 11 photographs of the area he recommends for enhancement of exercise stations along with photos of suggested styles. He'd like a few stations placed along this trail to encourage exercise by the public trail users. Chair Faltings thanked Mr. Tarbell and stated that his recommendations would be referred to the Facilities Committee for further consideration.

#### 3. CONSENT ITEMS

- 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 24, 2018
- 3.2 General Manager's Monthly Report (#72-04)
- 3.3 Resolution No. 2647, approving amendments to the District's Conflict of Interest Code

Moved by Director Pierpont, seconded by Director Wilson, approved the Consent Agenda, by the following voice roll call vote:

AYES: *Pierpont, Palajac, Wilson, Furst, and Chair Faltings*  
NOES: *None*  
ABSTENTIONS: *None*  
ABSENT: *None*

**4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

**4.1 WILLIAM J. PAYNE SPORTS PARK MASTER PLAN**

Chair Faltings pulled item 4.1 from the agenda, stating that the item was not ready to be presented as is.

**4.2 BOARD LETTER IN SUPPORT OF CITY REGARDING TRAIL 6 PROCESS**

Chair Faltings stated that the Board will review and consider approving a letter to the City of Livermore in support of the Trail 6 connection process.

GM Fuzie presented a draft letter to City Manager Marc Roberts for review and input from the Board. He stated the City Planning Department has entered into discussions with some of the land owners and would like the District's position on the matter. Discussion ensued and staff was directed to incorporate changes and present a final version to the Chair for approval and signature.

Moved by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Furst, adopted Resolution No. 2648, authorizing the Board Chair to sign a letter on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District to the City of Livermore in support of the Trail 6 connection process, with edits approved by the Chair, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	<i>Wilson, Furst, Pierpont, Palajac, and Chair Faltings</i>
NOES:	<i>None</i>
ABSTENTIONS:	<i>None</i>
ABSENT:	<i>None</i>

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

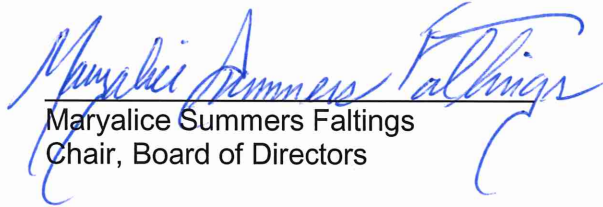
- 1) Director Pierpont reported on the Program Committee meeting of October 25, 2018.
- 2) Chair Faltings reported on the Facilities Committee meeting of November 7, 2018.
- 3) Director Wilson reported on the Personnel Committee meeting of November 8, 2018.
- 4) Chair Faltings reported on the Alameda County Special Districts Association meeting of November 14, 2018. GM Fuzie was also at this meeting.
- 5) Director Palajac reported on the Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance meeting of November 7, 2018. She attended on behalf of Director Furst.
- 6) Director Wilson reported on the Livermore Cultural Arts Council meeting of November 7, 2018.
- 7) Chair Faltings stated that all Board members attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at the grand opening of the newly paved trail at Sycamore Grove Park's Arroyo Del Valle trail on October 25, 2018. State representatives and walking groups were in attendance.

**6. MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE DIRECTORS**

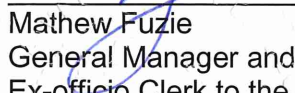
- 1) Director Palajac stated that at the recent Livermore Downtown, Inc. meeting, fire relief efforts for those affected in the Chico and Paradise areas were discussed. Since many shelters are accepting dogs, there is a need for dog waste bags. Members asked if LARPD could help with that effort.
- 2) Director Pierpont stated that he and his family attended the Halloween Trick-or-Treat in the Park held at Sycamore Grove Park on October 27<sup>th</sup> and led by Ranger Danny. It was well-attended and very informational for children and their families. He would like to see this continue in the future.

- 3) Chair Faltings reported on the Tri-Valley Conservancy's Open House event on November 8, 2018 held at the Purple Orchid Inn and Spa. Local wines and olive oils were featured by Valley Catering, Darcie Kent Vineyards and Olive Oil, and The Olivina. She thanked those who volunteered to host such a lovely event.
  - 4) Chair Faltings announced the Ravenswood Victorian Yuletide is set from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 9, 2018 at the Ravenswood Historic Site. Jointly sponsored by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District and the Ravenswood Progress League, the Yuletide community event will feature beautiful Victorian decorations, music by guitarist Tim Barry, a Holiday Gift Shop, woodcarving demonstrations by the Tri-Valley Carvers and St. Nicholas for the children. Admission is free; hot drinks and desserts will be available for purchase. The Ravenswood Volunteer Docents in 1890s costumes will be on hand to tell the history of the historic site.
7. **MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER**  
GM Fuzie made the following announcements:
- 1) The December 12, 2018 Board meeting is anticipated to be very robust. He suggested the Board may want to consider an earlier start time since there will be a lot of items to cover, such as the Bill Payne Sports Park Master Plan, the Sunset Park Playground Conceptual Plan, Board Elections, setting of the Board meeting schedule for 2019, and a review of the Board policies. December 12th is also the staff holiday gathering at the RLCC.
  - 2) GM Fuzie has been working with an extensive network of seasoned veterans involved in disaster relief. The District will reach out to those seeking relief, and will be a channel for organizing requests for donations needed. Agencies affected are saying that money and gift cards for specific needs are appreciated at this time. Please refer any requests about how to help to LARPD General Manager Mat Fuzie. Chair Faltings thanked GM Fuzie for distributing particulate masks to the Board and staff.
  - 3) LARPD is closely following lead agencies and school districts regarding whether or not to close ESS and recreation fields due to the unhealthy air quality.
8. **OPEN SESSION DISCLOSURE REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.7**  
Chair Faltings announced the Board would adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Item 9 listed below. Open Session was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.
9. **CLOSED SESSION**
- 9.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Pursuant to paragraph (4) subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (1 case)
  - 9.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION  
Pursuant to Government Code 54957  
Title: General Manager
10. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION; REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION – PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.1**  
The Board came out of Closed Session at 9:00 p.m. and Chair Faltings announced that no reportable actions had been taken in Closed Session.
11. **ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

APPROVED,

  
Maryalice Summers Faltings  
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

  
Mathew Fuzie  
General Manager and  
Ex-officio Clerk to the Board of Directors

