



Livermore Area
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LIVERMORE AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2018

ROBERT LIVERMORE COMMUNITY CENTER
4444 EAST AVENUE, LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Directors Furst, Palajac, Pierpont, Wilson and Chair Faltings
DIRECTORS ABSENT: None.
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mathew Fuzie, Patricia Lord, Jeffrey Schneider, Linda VanBuskirk, Rod Attebery

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

Chair Faltings called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. All Directors were present, except Director Pierpont.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 BOARD MINUTES

3.1.1 Regular Meeting of August 8, 2018

3.2 COMMUNICATIONS

None.

Moved by Director Furst, seconded by Director Wilson, approved the Consent Agenda, by the following voice vote:

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

None.

5. **BIDS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5.1 **AWARD CONTRACT – ADD ALTERNATES FOR THE MULTI PARK PLAYGROUND RENOVATION PROJECTS**

Chair Faltings stated that the Board will consider accepting the bid and awarding the contract for the construction of the Multi Park Playground Renovation Projects, LARPD Project Nos. 327, 426, 706, and 508.

AGM Lord presented the staff report, and gave a presentation entitled “Playground Renovations” which highlighted many of the recent milestones from July 27, 2016 through August 8, 2018. At the August 8, 2018 Board meeting, the Board approved the item contingent upon evaluation of financially feasible additive bid items. A proposed list of add alternates, along with those suggested to be excluded, was presented, reviewed, and approved by the Facilities Committee on August 21, 2018.

[Director Pierpont arrived on the dais at 7:10 p.m.]

Following the decision to award the construction contract to Goodland Landscape for \$5,482,614 (the base bid excluding add alternates), Staff revisited the overall forecast for expenditures for the Multi-park playground project to determine if funding is available from the project budget to support add alternates identified for each of the four playgrounds. Staff then concluded that \$806,720 is available to invest in add alternates. Discussion ensued about soft costs, construction costs and contingency amounts.

Director comments and questions included design theories and differences such as seat walls at the playground at Big Trees, but not at May Nissen.

Chair Faltings opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

Moved by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Pierpont, adopted Resolution No. 2643, accepting the bid and awarding the contract for the construction of the Multi-Park Playground Renovation Projects at Jane Addams Preschool at Max Baer Park, Big Trees Park, Pleasure Island Park, and May Nissen Park to Goodland Landscape Construction Inc., in the amount of \$5,482,614.00, AND approved add alternates with total costs not-to-exceed \$799,816.00, by the following roll call vote:

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

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 1) Chair Faltings reported on the Facilities Committee meeting of August 15, 2018.
- 2) Chair Faltings reported on the Special Facilities Committee meeting of August 21, 2018.
- 3) Director Palajac reported on the Finance Committee meeting of August 23, 2018.
- 4) Director Wilson reported on the Personnel Committee meeting of August 16, 2018. Chair Faltings asked if the full Board could receive a summary of the Human resources initiatives for FY18-19 discussed in that meeting. GM Fuzie stated that the District has identified areas for improvement which the list reflects, and will be provided.
- 5) Director Palajac reported on the Livermore Downtown, Inc. meeting, along with a presentation on the L Street Parking Garage which will be going to the City of Livermore Planning Commission this evening.

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

- 1) Director Palajac suggested that Staff and the Board consider a public meeting on an LARPD trail or a proposed trail, similar to what the District does in the summer during public meetings in the parks. She stated the areas' many trail advocates would appreciate that. GM Fuzie responded that given all the interest around Sycamore Grove Park, when that trail is complete, the District may consider substituting an "on the trail" meeting for a regular Board meeting, or add a Special meeting on the trail head. The Board consensus was that this is a good concept and an excellent idea.
- 2) Director Wilson announced that the Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce Wine Country Luncheon, held at the Concannon Vineyard on August 23, 2018, was lovely. The theme of agri-business included three to four successful agri-businesses there to speak, and a lively discussion ensued.
- 3) Director Wilson announced that LARPD hosted another successful Applefest on Sunday, August 26, 2018, at Ravenswood Historic Site. The family-friendly event was a big hit with over 300 people in attendance.

10. **MATTERS INITIATED/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER**

GM Fuzie made the following announcements:

- 1) The Sunset Park Playground Community Outreach meeting is set for September 13, 2018 between 5-7:00 p.m. The consultants will be conducting the meeting and will be reporting back to LARPD afterwards.
- 2) The Senior Services Program reminds us that September is National Senior Center Month and the beginning of many fall programs for the 50+ residents. LARPD will be featuring two programs focusing on Grandparenting. There are 2.6 million children in the USA living with their grandparents. LARPD will be partnering with Lincoln's Kinship Support Services and Legal Assistance for Seniors to offer these programs.
 - o Grandfamilies: Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Tuesday, September 11 from 10:30 – 12 noon; and
 - o Grandparents & Guardianship, Tuesday, September 18 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. and 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Please call 925-373-5700 to register one week in advance for these programs, held at the RLCC.

- 3) Sycamore Grove Park update: LARPD is excited to announce that it is now able to open the entire park on weekends. All trails including the newly paved path and those in the upper sycamore grove will be open for use from 7am until 8 pm. Construction work continues Monday-Friday with closures until approximately 4:15 p.m.
- 4) The Children's Fair will be held on Saturday, September 8th at the RLCC from 10 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with new attractions including a petting zoo, pony rides, Police Department K-9 demonstrations, live entertainment, Fire Departments, youth sports games in the gymnasium, inflatable bouncy houses, train rides, and water balls.
- 5) Be sure to check out the Fall Activity Guide, which is full of opportunities to learn, play and explore! We have something for all ages and abilities.
- 6) In response to Chair Faltings' question during a recent Facilities Committee meeting about vendors bringing taco/food trucks into the parks, GM Fuzie reported that under Ordinance 8 at §402(a)(b)and(c) a sales permit is required for any person, group or commercial entity to provide services or products of any kind utilizing any District Facility or Parkland. Chair Faltings added that the best thing to do is to inquire with the Park District first to secure a permit. Please call (925) 373-5700.
- 7) Chair Faltings announced that many of these items discussed here are on LARPD Facebook page. She encouraged anyone to be friends with LARPD.


11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

APPROVED,


Maryalice Summers Faltings
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



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