



## **PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Staff Present</b>	<b>Public Present</b>
Doug Goad, Chair, District 3 Rob Hutsel, Vice-Chair, District 4 Mike McCoy, District 1 Susie Murphy, District 1 Ed Spaeth, District 2 Susan Hector, District 4 Paul Davis, District 5 Bert Long, District 3	Brian Albright, Director Carlos Renstrom, Sr. Dept HR Officer Cheryl Wegner, DPR Volunteer Coordinator Matt Sanford, Region Manager Joanna Truex, Park Attendant	None

### **MINUTES**

1. Call to Order – 8:36 am
2. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK
3. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 10, 2020 MINUTES
  - MOTION TO APPROVE – Committee Member Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Member Spaeth  
ALL IN FAVOR – 8-0-1, Committee Member Long abstained
4. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM NOT ON TODAY’S AGENDA
  - Committee members shared comments on topics of interest including: Public meetings in Jamul regarding Proctor Valley; continuing to work with Native American tribes regarding cooperation with parks in District 5; update on Old Town operations during COVID-19; Providing social media communication regarding trail openings & closures throughout San Diego County; information regarding a bill on the Governor’s desk that is against the use of rodenticide & its harmful affects on wildlife.
5. PLDO & CSA FUND BALANCE REPORTS
  - Reports were distributed prior to the meeting via e-mail.
  - Director Albright discussed an item going to the Board regarding the D5 community of Valley Center. They have been serviced by an independent park district, which has taken an action to dissolve the district. The County is proposing to take over the park services in the area (similar to Fallbrook and Spring Valley CSA) and if that goes through it will be added to the CSA Fund Balance reports.
6. DEPARTMENT REPORT – Brian Albright, Director
  - Upcoming Board of Supervisor items were reviewed.
  - MOTION TO APPROVE  
ALL IN FAVOR – 8-0-0
7. VOLUNTEERISM DURING COVID
  - Cheryl Wegner, Volunteer Coordinator for DPR and Matt Sanford, Region

Manager for DPR, presented on the state of volunteerism within the Department during COVID.

- Carlos Renstrom, Senior HR Officer for DPR, presented on departmental safety protocols being followed by staff & volunteers within our parks.
- Director Albright noted that volunteers make up a quarter of DPR's workforce and that they are essential to park operations.

8. PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Director Albright proposed discussion of resources for renovating the buildings surrounding Heritage Park into a Historic Inn.
- Committee Member McCoy proposed discussion on the interrelationship and maintenance of San Diego County's biodiversity, Committee Member Hutsel concurred.
- Committee Member Spaeth proposed a review of eagle nesting studies by different agencies and how the public interacts with these areas.

9. ADJOURNMENT – 9:46am

- MOTION TO ADJOURN – Committee Member Spaeth, 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Member McCoy.
- The next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2020