

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MONTE RIO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Monday, February 12, 2018, at 6:00 pm  
Monte Rio Community Center  
20488 Hwy 116, Monte Rio, CA 95462**

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Board Chair Steve Baxman.
2. **Roll Call and Approval of Agenda and Minutes from Previous Meeting**  
Present: Board members Steve Baxman, Chuck Ramsey and Marina McTaggart; Administrator Sherry Pimsler. Absent: Board members Jean Sasso and Korie Shokmali.

Motion made by Marina McTaggart and seconded by Chuck Ramsey to approve the meeting's agenda and minutes of January 8, 2018. All approved.

3. **Public Comment** – None.

4. **Old Business** - None

5. **New Business**

A. Increase Capital Asset threshold from \$1,000 to \$2,000: No discussion.

6. **Reports & Information**

A. **Board Reports** –

- Chuck Ramsey has been researching the possible purchase and installation of an electric vehicle (EV) charging station with a company specializing in grant funding. He has received a quote of \$4-10,000 for the unit and as much as \$27,000 to install, including an ADA accessible pad.
- Marina McTaggart has been in conversation with PyroSpectaculars about the use of silent fireworks for this year's display. She was informed that for one such as ours, there is no truly silent firework, but some of the louder ones can be eliminated to reduce the noise. MRRPD Board members agreed with this proposal for moderate noise reduction and Marina will take that back to the Chamber.

B. **Staff Reports** - None

C. **Budget Committee** – Met prior to this meeting to discuss mid-year budget adjustments.

D. **Facilities/Grant Committee**

1. Proactive measures for the week of July 4<sup>th</sup>: Contacted SCWA and Health Svcs. for ideas to avoid possibility of coliform contamination, since the 4<sup>th</sup> will fall mid-week, meaning crowds throughout the week. Committee discussed other ways to keep the water moving.
2. The Creekside Café contract with Aron Parks: Discussed possible winter closings and/or reduction of rent during winter months.
3. All agreed with surrounding the Koret Park play structure with a low fence.
4. Regional Parks' second application to Caltrans for Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant to fund the Lower Russian River Trail Feasibility Study went through. MRRPD has committed \$5,000.
5. Sweetwater Springs Update
  - All applications have been submitted to SCAPOSD and Lynda Hopkins notified. Curtis Kendall, Acquisition Assistant, is completing the initial evaluation, then the Property Evaluation Committee will have a discussion and they will notify us.
6. CRLP Update
  - Jason Gaddis is working with Aron directly on the Creekside Café awning.
  - The loan for Amphitheater signage will be put on hold to renovate the sign across from the Rio Theater and orient it perpendicular to the road, rather than parallel.

7. Beach Permit
  - Received a good report on the Meadow septic from Rich Holmer. Stephanie and Brian will work with Carr's construction to proceed with ADA upgrade of restrooms.
8. HVAC in Redwood Room:
  - Received estimate from Bill Avellar on installation of venting system in MRCC Redwood Room. Brian will review costs.
  - Leslie met specialist Pete McGold to re-balance hood in MRCC kitchen for maximum air movement. No problems.
9. LAFCO Update
  - Executive Officer Mark Bramfitt provided LAFCO's schedule of MSRs. MRRPD is high on the list.
10. Prop 68, a \$4,000,000,000 bond measure, is scheduled for the June 5<sup>th</sup> ballot. If passed, it will provide additional parks funding.

E. **Personnel Committee** – No meeting held.

F. **Marketing/Public Outreach Committee:**

- The County has expressed interest in using the Amphitheater Studio (formerly called the Teen Center) for temporary office space while they are working with local residents on septic issues.
- Beer Fest is scheduled again for this year.

G. **Safety Committee:** No meeting held.

H. **CWA (Creekside Wastewater Authority at Creekside Park) –**

- The JPA is still researching a generator, which was put on hold because of unexpected expenses.
- A budget for FY 2017/18 was passed.
- Also passed a resolution approving a biennial audit.

**7. Correspondence –**

Notice received from Supervisor Lynda Hopkins announcing public meetings to discuss local governance options for the Lower Russian River, including formation of a Municipal Advisory Committee.

**8. Action Items –**

- A. Resolution 00418 Approving an Increase in the Capital Asset Threshold to \$2,000 – Roll Call Vote: Chair Steve Baxman introduced the resolution; Chuck Ramsey moved and Marina McTaggart seconded approval. All present in favor.

**9. Review Monthly Accounts Payable** – The P&L report for January reflected \$11,654.64 in expenditures.

**10. Next Meeting** –The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**11. Meeting adjournment** – 6:18 pm.