

ARDEN MANOR RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

A Special District Formed In 1953

Vacant –Board Chair
John Montes - Vice Chair
Lisa Gibson - Secretary
Warren Harding – Director
Christine Arden – Director



Maria Boland –District Manager

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1415 Rushden Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864

Thursday, April 26, 2018, 6:30pm

VISION STATEMENT

Arden Manor Recreation and Park District, in partnership with the community, contributes to a high quality of life for residents of all ages in a safe, clean, healthy environment. Residents participate in programs that promote and enrich individual, family, and cultural harmony and prosperity.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 6:30

A. Roll Call: Gibson, Harding, Montes present, Arden absent. Sutton resigned

2. PUBLIC COMENTS:

- A. Visitors: Alessandra Eisner, Lauri Defazio, Ted Defazio, Ann Kohl, Pat Wells, Chelsea Monahan, Trina
- I. Ann Kohl: asked for update on March 26 meeting with Sacramento County. M. Boland identified County said AMRPD would not be able to put money into separate reserve fund until next FY. M. Boland wants to meet with Mike Grace of Fulton-El Camino Park District to discuss, as Sacramento County identified money could not be used during this FY as it was put into the wrong line item.
 - II. Lauri Defazio identified someone dumped out contents of barbecue beneath gazebo.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Jonas Larkspur Park Committee: Harding identified intention to create committees for each park, in addition to Jonas Larkspur (Crabtree and Deterding), and the Jonas committee will be meeting on regular basis. Harding asked for clarification on whether water should continue being added to pond at Jonas Larkspur. Gibson and Montes identified their belief is the decision made in February 2018 was to fill the pond one time, and the Jonas committee would determine whether there is an impervious surface and the costs to AMRPD. Gibson identified concerns regarding permeability,

and she does not believe the pond should be filled until the Jonas committee provides the promised information, or the board votes to continue filling the pond. Harding mentioned using bentonite to line the pond as previously identified by Joel Eleckman. Gibson provided some information regarding bentonite, and identified if a proposal is made to utilize bentonite, the Jonas committee needs to contact the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control board to determine whether any permits are required for this activity, and, if so, the cost. Boland identified concerns that filling the pond requires additional work by maintenance staff to turn the water on/off, when time could be spent on other maintenance. Ted Defazio identified he would be willing to turn the water on and off, to take the effort from the maintenance staff. Boland identified the pump is locked. Gibson identified she still has significant concerns regarding adding water to the pond, including the costs and lack of knowledge regarding the pump or the extent of groundwater. Gibson and Montes also identified concerns that there are other significant priorities related to deferred maintenance and safety that should be addressed before filling the pond. Members of the public identified their belief filling the pond will deter homeless and crime, as more members of the public will utilize the nature area. Montes identified his belief that if the area surrounding the pond and the rest of the park is regularly maintained, this would also deter any homeless and crime issues, as the public will be more likely to utilize this area, whether there is water added to the pond or not.

4. **AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND / OR DELETIONS** - None; Montes motion to approve, Gibson 2nd, all approve.
5. **PRESENTATIONS** – None
6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. Approval of minutes for March 15, 2018, meeting: Gibson identified the comment that appears is a question on all of the attendees for the March 15, 2018, meeting.
 - B. Recommended Action: Montes motion to approve, Gibson 2nd, all approve.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - A. FEC Park police: report provided
 - B. CAPRI: Identified board vacancy
 - C. Sacramento LAFCO: voting for vacancy on Special District Representation to the Consolidated Redevelopment Oversight Board for Sacramento County. District to submit ballot for candidate by May 25, 2018. Recommend board members review and can vote at May 17, 2018, meeting.
8. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. None
9. **REGULAR CALENDAR**
 - A. Subject: Recommendation for filling vacant board seat (Sutton): Recommendation to go with 2nd person recommended by board during December 2017 meeting, for filling vacancy by Tedder (Lauri Defazio). Gibson motion to accept Lauri Defazio as new board member, Montes 2nd. All approve.
 - B. Subject: Appointment and swearing in of new board member: New board member, Lauri Defazio, appointed and sworn in.

- C. Subject: Nominations and election for board “officer” positions: Recommend this be moved to May 17, 2018, meeting.
- D. Subject: Review and discuss District priorities list: Discussed. A. Kohl recommended intended committees look at priorities lists for respective parks and provide input. Board members all concurred.
- E. Subject: Presentation and review draft social media policy: moved to May 17, 2018, meeting.

10. District Manager Report

- A. Maintenance, Recreation, Admin. Update given.
 - I. Maintenance: Routine maintenance conducted, as well as cleaning. Routine safety inspection of playgrounds and park facilities conducted. Routine weekly Crabtree Park baseball field maintenance including dragging conducted. Removed and replaced 2 bench planks at Jonas, near play structures. Partially removed mistletoe from tree behind Jonas backstop – need ladder to remove rest. Removed plum tree on Windsor side of Crabtree park due to rotting. Prepared Deterding pool complex for swim season. Updated maintenance and main office SDS sheets for the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department triennial hazardous material inspection.
 - II. Admin Update: new board members to complete form 700 and ethics training.
 - III. Recreation update: Annual egg hunt on March 31. Approximately 40 kids participated. Pirates swim team hosted a pancake breakfast. Swim team practice and aquacize will be starting on April 30. Approximately 40 people have signed up for swim team. Summer camp registration open and will begin June 11. Arden Manor’s 65th birthday – have 1 sponsor to host a series of movies in the park. If get enough sponsors, could host 3 movies this season, with final movie being a celebration of 65 years. A. Kohl identified she has a new Jane Goodall movie that could be shown. M. Boland identified she needs to find out about licensing for showing that movie in public. Additional discussion was held regarding requirements for paying to show movies in public.

11. COMMENTS BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- A. Harding: volunteered to go to Crabtree and Deterding parks to get neighbors to volunteer to be on committees for those parks.

12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING – potential special meeting May 7 to discuss budget; LAFCO nominations; board officer positions; social media policy;

13. CLOSED SESSION: A closed session was not held.

14. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:54