## ORANGEVALE RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

## **Minutes of Special Meeting of Board of Directors** March 3, 2022

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District was held on Thursday, March 3, 2022, at the District Office. Director Stickney called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

Directors present: Stickney, Swenson, Meraz, Montes,

Directors absent: Brunberg (arrive 5:40 p.m.) Barry Ross, District Administrator Staff present:

Jennifer Von Aesch, Finance/HR Superintendent

Jason Bain, Recreation Supervisor

Melyssa Woodford, Admin. Services Supervisor

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

4. APPROVAL OF **AGENDA** 

On a motion by Director Montes, seconded by Director Swenson, the agenda was approved by a vote of 4-0-0 with Directors Stickney, Swenson, Meraz, and Montes voting Aye. There were no Nays or

**MOTION #1** 

Abstentions. Director Brunberg was absent.

5. PUBLIC **DISCUSSION**  No one wished to address the Board during public discussion.

6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

a) Continue review and discussion of additional funding options to address construction and maintenance items outlined in the District Master Plan:

The District intended to present a funding option for our residents to vote on in 2020 to address construction and maintenance items outlined in the District Master Plan. However, the COVID-19 pandemic interfered with those plans. The two most realistic funding options are Benefit Assessments and General Obligation Bonds. Professional consultants from SCI Consulting Group (Benefit Assessments) and Isom Advisors (G.O. Bonds) made presentations at our January 13, 2022, Board of Directors Meeting. The Finance Committee met on February 2 to further review and discuss the funding options.

Admin Ross voiced concern for the affect rising costs will have on the sustainability of the current OLAD funds. Staffing costs cannot be covered by either the G.O Bond or Assessment. G.O. Bond funds would need to be encumbered within about three to four years. An Assessment, with transparency of intent for the utilization of assessment funds, is favored as the best viable option for the District. Staff will research the current

demographics of the community to compare with the previous assessment demographics and confirm how many votes per parcel are permitted. Admin Ross to request Susan Barnes, SCI Consulting Group, provide the vote percentage information of the prior assessment. Staff to research 2020 Census information, if available, to compare updated information with the population in 1992, when previous assessment was presented for vote. This information to be provided and discussed at the March 17 Board of Directors meeting for approval of a recommendation.

b) <u>Discuss and make a recommendation regarding the continuation</u> or discontinuation of live-streaming BOD meetings as COVID-19 restrictions are lifted:

KB Productions has been live streaming our regular monthly Board of Directors meetings since May 2020. This has added a new opportunity for community engagement, which has been especially valuable during COVID-19 restrictions that have prohibited the public from attending most of our meetings. The Board of Directors discussed if live-streaming is still necessary for BOD meetings now that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, and meetings are held in-person. Live-streaming costs the District \$200 per meeting. Director Montes advised the cost is warranted to provide increased accessibility to the community and to maintain video record archives of the meetings. The Board of Directors agreed to continue live-streaming BOD meetings through April 2022, at which time this topic will be discussed further.

## 7. <u>DIRECTOR AND</u> STAFF COMMENTS

No comments provided.

8. <u>ITEMS FOR NEXT</u> AGENDA

- a) Further discussion on the continuation or discontinuation of livestreaming BOD meetings
- b) Discuss current and historical voting percentages and demographic information for consideration of funding options
- 9. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION #2** 

With no further business to discuss, the general meeting of the Board of Directors was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. On a motion by Director Swenson, seconded by Director Brunberg, the adjournment was approved by a vote of 5-0-0 with Directors Stickney, Swenson, Brunberg, Meraz, and Montes, voting Aye. There were no Nays or Abstentions.

Mike Stickney, Chairperson