

V. SCHEDULED ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(A) Presentation of Employee of the Month for May 2007 to Ron Territt

This item was continued until after the Presentation of FY 2006-07 Park and Building Maintenance Division Accomplishments.

(B) Presentation of FY 2006-07 Park and Building Maintenance Division Accomplishments (Oral)

Assistant General Manager Ed Hayduk gave a slide show presentation of the past three year's Maintenance Administrative highlights, which included

Buildings Sr. Maintenance Supervisor Thompson and Grounds Sr. Maintenance Supervisors Friedeborn, Keppler, and Molnar presented projects completed by the maintenance staff, which included: Big Sky Park completion; Deerhill Park signs; Rancho Simi Community Park pool filters; restoration of the old St. Rose of Lima Church; extensive graffiti removal; Indian Springs wind screens; Houghton Park Ball Field Renovation; Long Canyon Trailhead Planting; slurry seal of various parking lots; Mae Boyar pathway repair; Caldwell Avenue beautification; Valley View Soccer Field renovation; Rancho Madera Community Park soccer field renovation; Deerhill Park soccer field vandalism renovation; Sycamore Park landscaping project; backflow certifications; Darrah Park irrigation and excavation; Oak Canyon Community Park Planter Rehabilitation; Indian Springs and Mae Boyar tennis courts upgrades; and Tierra Rejada Park cleanup.

Director Johnson complimented the Assistant General Manager and Maintenance Department on the fine work and the outstanding accomplishments at so many District park locations.

(A) Presentation of Employee of the Month for May 2007 to Ron Territt

This item was continued from earlier in the meeting.

Directed Johnson presented Crew Leader – Heavy Equipment Operator Ron Territt with a plaque honoring him as Employee of the Month for May 2007 and thanked him for all of his hard work. This is Ron's third Employee of the Month award. Ron is an employee who can juggle many large projects with skill while utilizing his time and equipment efficiently. He has recently worked on some large, special projects at highly visible and high profile park sites, and has been the recipient of many compliments from others. Ron thanked the Board for his award.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

- (A) Approval of Check Registers: 5/25/07 (payroll); 5/18/07, 6/1/07 (payables)

ACTION: Director Freeman moved to Approve Consent Agenda Item A; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VII. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- (A) Report on Status of FY 2006-07 Planning and Development Project Priorities (Informational Report) 138-07-b

Assistant General Manager gave a report on the status of the FY 2006-07 Planning and Development Project Priorities. Among the completed projects for this fiscal year were Big Sky Park; Sycamore Park Upgrades (Phase 2 walkways, basketball court, and remaining play apparatus); restoration of the Old St. Rose of Lima historic structure at Strathearn Historical Park; relocation of the Banaga Barger Shop to Strathearn Historical Park; Knolls Park restroom renovation; Darrah Park upgrades to the park's central baseball plaza and installation of two sets of batting cages; and installation of new exercise equipment at Rancho Tapo Community Park.

This was an informational item only. No Board action was taken.

- (B) Approval of Award of Contract for Tree Pruning Services at Various District Parks 7-07-b

ACTION: Director Freeman moved to Approve the Award of Contract for Tree Pruning Services at Various Parks; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- (C) Resolution of the Intention to Levy Assessments for Fiscal Year 2007-08, Preliminarily Approving Engineer's Report, and Providing for Notice of Hearing 179-07-b

ACTION: Director Hostetler moved to approve Resolution No. 1725 Intention to Levy Assessments for Fiscal Year 2007-08, Preliminarily Approving Engineer's Report, and Providing for Notice of Hearing; Director Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried with the following roll-call vote:

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Hostetler, Freeman
Noes: None
Absent: Directors Meredith, O'Brien
Abstain: None

- (D) Resolution of the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Nominating a Candidate for Election to Serve on the California Special District's Association Board of Directors.

ACTION: This item was continued until all Board Members are present.

IX. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

- (A) Correspondence from Ann Snyder on Behalf of Royal High School's Swim Team, Parents and Coaches Thanking Park District Maintenance Department Staff for Their Help During the Invitational Meet on April 21, 2007 73-07-d

Correspondence was received and filed.

- (B) Correspondence from Mike Fine on Behalf of Simi Youth Baseball Thanking the District and Assistant General Manager for the Baseball Complex 73-07-e

Correspondence was received and filed.

- (C) Correspondence from Steve Sojka Thanking the District for Installing Fencing at Simi Youth Baseball Facility 186-07-a

Correspondence was received and filed.

X. REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:

Director Freeman announced that July is Recreation and Park Month, and asked about pursuing a resolution from the City of Simi Valley recognizing this.

Director Freeman attended a Park District/Historical Society liaison meeting with Director O'Brien. The recent St. Rose of Lima Church Dedication and Sunday in the Park event were reviewed at the meeting, and Director Freeman reported that both of these events were very successful.

She also attended a Calleguas Creek Watershed meeting. Among the topics discussed at this meeting were an update on salts, trash, and desalination in the Arroyo; a discussion of the flood management plan and open space planning network; and a discussion on the Regional Water Quality Control Board Workshop on County Storm Water.

Director Freeman also attended a Ventura County Special Districts meeting.

She also reported that she has been getting feedback about Rancho Simi Community Park, including problems with the homeless and drug and alcohol abuse at the park. This appears to be a problem mainly during the week in the afternoons. In response to this, General Manager Peterson stated that in October of last year he initiated extra Park Ranger coverage at the park with considerable success. The additional coverage was stopped during the less busy winter months, but is again being initiated.

Director Hostetler reported that he did not have any meetings.

Director Johnson attended a Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy meeting. He again thanked the maintenance crew for all of their hard work to improve our sports fields.

XI. REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER:

The General Manager reported that the full-time employee recognition luncheon was a great success. He then had the Recreation Administrator provide a review of the upcoming concerts and movies in the park. The General Manager announced that Director Hostetler is retiring from the Police Department, and a retirement roast for him will be held on July 7 at Paul's Italian Villa. He also announced that sadly, Dick Hlebasko passed away. Dick made a big impact in this community and will be greatly missed.

The General Manager announced that the Ventura County Civic Alliance 2007 State of the Region Report is available and will be circulated. He also reported that the Cajun Festival took a large toll on the District's soccer field, and that renovation efforts would be undertaken.

The Chair called a Closed Session at 8:15 p.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

(A) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiators

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| Agency Negotiators: | General Manager and Business Supervisor |
| Employee Organization: | Rancho Simi Employees Association ("Bargaining Unit") |

The Acting Chair reported that instructions were given to staff.

(B) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiators

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| Agency Negotiators: | General Manager and Business Supervisor |
| Employee Organization: | Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Middle Management Association |

The Acting Chair reported that instructions were given to staff.

(C) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency Negotiators: General Manager and Business Supervisor
Unrepresented Employee: Building Specialist

The Acting Chair reported that instructions were given to staff.

(D) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9

Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation; One Case

Name of Case: Cory Romagnano v. Rancho Simi Recreation and
Park District

The Acting Chair reported that an update on the case was provided.

(E) Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Negotiating Parties: General Manager and Assistant General
Manager

Re: Land Acquisition Portion of APN 620-0-320-075 (located on
eastern side of Tapo Canyon Road, north of
City Limits)

Owner – Marr Ranch I, LLC

Director Freeman moved that staff be directed to proceed with an offer for purchase of APN 620-0-320-075 as outlined; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Director Freeman moved to adjourn the meeting in memory of Dick Hlesbasko at 9:18 p.m.; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larry Peterson, District Clerk