

V. SCHEDULED ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

(A) Approval of Check Registers: 11/9/07 (payroll); 11/2/07 (payables)

(B) Receive and File Report on Schedule of Events for December 2007 39-07-l

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

VII. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Approval of Resolution Modifying District Policy Manual, Chapter 11, Special and Miscellaneous: Addition of Section 11-1300-A, Regulations Governing the Use of District Golf Courses by High School Golf Teams 84-07-e

ACTION: Director Hostetler moved to Approve Resolution No. 1741, as corrected, Modifying District Policy Manual, Chapter 11, Special and Miscellaneous: Addition of Section 11-1300-A, Regulations Governing the Use of District Golf Courses by High School Golf Teams; Vice Chair Meredith seconded the motion. Motion carried with the following roll-call vote:

Ayes: Directors Johnson, Hostetler, Freeman, Meredith, O'Brien

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

(B) Approval of Preliminary Project Conditions for PD-S-999/TT5761, a 20 Lot Subdivision, Located Directly South of Hidden Ranch Drive (Parker Ranch) 41-07-j

ACTION: Director Freeman moved to Approve Preliminary Project Conditions for PD-S-999/TT5761, a 20 Lot Subdivision, Located Directly South of Hidden Ranch Drive (Parker Ranch); Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(C) Approval of FY 2008-09 District Budget Calendar 138-07-e

ACTION: Chair O'Brien moved to Approve FY 2008-09 District Budget Calendar; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- (D) Approval of the Amended Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board Schedule for 2008 Meetings, Workshops and Conferences 138-07-f

ACTION: Director Johnson moved to Approve the Amended Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board Schedule for 2008 Meetings, Workshops and Conferences; Director Hostetler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IX. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

X. REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:

Director Hostetler attended the Golf Committee meeting on November 9, 2007.

Director Hostetler attended the Neighborhood Council #1 meeting on November 8, 2007. He reported that they had a tour of the Seniors Center. The Police Dept. attended this meeting and provided updated information regarding crime in Simi Valley. Among items discussed was that extra staff have been reassigned to the Special Enforcement / Gang Unit area and will patrol during the hours of 7 p.m.-5 a.m. and that detectives have been assigned these hours as well

Director Hostetler attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Rancho Tapo Park and said it was real nice.

Director Johnson stated he did not have any committee meetings this period.

Director Johnson attended the Veterans Day observance and thought it was very nice, especially the flag ceremony.

Director Freeman attended the Joint Park District/Historical Society Committee meeting, and said they covered many items. She reported that the Ghost Tours was very successful this year; they made over \$8,000. They heard a report on the Apricot Pitting Shed, the Banaga Barbershop, and the Menge House. Although the owner proposed \$75,000 to help with moving costs, the Joint Committee felt strongly that they should not accept the Menge House. Director Freeman said it would cost considerably more to put it back together and make it publicly accessible. The Friendship Tea is scheduled for April 26, 2008.

Director Freeman said that she and Chair O'Brien attended the Historical Society's Annual Dinner Meeting. There was a really good turnout, and they all really enjoyed listening to the Cowboy Poet, who is from this area.

Director Freeman attended a Tree Advisory Committee meeting, at which they reviewed an ordinance on whether tree pruners should have to get a permit to prune trees or whether the company should have a licensed botanist to ensure that pruning is done correctly on commercial/industrial properties.

Director Freeman said the Veterans Day Ceremony was the best ever, and that the playing of Taps at the end was really nice.

Director Freeman, along with Chair O'Brien, attended a Policy Committee meeting. Some items reviewed were: attendance at conferences, application of the no-smoking ordinance to staff working at parks, soccer taking over the other two fields, use of a Park District room as a part-time elected office to be used on a part-time, as needed basis by Assemblyperson Cameron Smyth to meet with constituents, a proposed change to the Board Agenda form, and the Boeing property. She noted there will be a meeting with all parties regarding the Boeing property in December.

Director Freeman mentioned an interesting magazine article regarding dog parks. She wrote a letter to the editor in response to the article, "Who is John Galt."

Director Freeman attended the General Plan Community Update meeting last week.

Vice Chair Meredith attended the Golf Committee meeting, which was already discussed.

Vice Chair Meredith said this past Veterans Day presentation was the best we have ever had, and that Chair O'Brien did an excellent job.

Vice Chair Meredith inquired about the wall around the three Habitat for Humanity houses that are being built. Director Freeman explained the purpose of it.

Chair O'Brien attended the Historical Society Committee meeting and the Historical Society's Annual Dinner with Director Freeman, which were already discussed. She mentioned that she really liked listening to the Cowboy Poet.

Chair O'Brien attended the Policy Committee meeting and thought the discussion was interesting regarding the issue of the no-smoking ordinance at parks and an employee who is a smoker.

Chair O'Brien attended Assemblyperson Cameron Smyth's breakfast on November 15, 2008. They listened to him speak on the California budget crisis, health care, education and other matters. There were around 10 people in attendance, and she enjoyed the group's roundtable discussions.

Chair O'Brien said the Veterans Day event went very well. She commented that her brother was visiting that day and attended the ceremony, and that he really enjoyed it.

Chair O'Brien mentioned that she is a member of the Rotary Club who came to this meeting and she can understand where they are coming from. She wondered if they could possibly go back to charging admission for the fireworks show and said maybe the District could match ticket sales. It was noted that people can easily watch the fireworks without being in a fenced area, and that for years the public has gone there and sat on the grass, in the parking lot, or in other surrounding areas and watched the show free of charge. It would be difficult to control.

XI. REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER:

Assistant General Manager stated that the Golf Committee discussed and adopted some fee increases at Simi Hills and Sinaloa Golf Courses. He reported that the Committee wants to stress that an automatic increase each year is not going to be the policy; staff will review it every couple years or so. The Committee agreed to eliminate the non-resident fee, effective January 1, 2008. Currently, there is a minimal \$2 difference between resident and non-resident fees, and Simi Hills golfers are not charged the \$25 a year fee for a card. This measure will speed up the process with check-ins.

Board asked about the condition of the courses. It was noted that the District is trending well at both courses. Also, the District spent around \$28,000 to remove and replace trees lost in the recent high winds; the District hopes to be reimbursed through our insurance company. Vice Chair Meredith suggested using some of the destroyed trees to sell for firewood. The Assistant General Manager said some of that was factored into the pricing to remove the damaged trees, as the contractor recycles. The damage happened on a weekend, and staff needed to get them removed quickly in order to get the courses up and running.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT: Chair O'Brien adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.; Director Johnson seconded the motion. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ed Hayduk, Deputy District Clerk