
**SAN DIEGUITO RIVER PARK
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
Minutes of July 19, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joe LaCava – Chair
Chris Khoury – Vice Chair
Brian Pepin
Dwight Worden
Consuelo Martinez
Quinton Grounds, Alternate
Greg Kazmer, Alternate

REPRESENTING

City of San Diego District 1
Citizens Advisory Committee
City of Poway
City of Del Mar
City of Escondido
City of San Diego Dist. 5
County of San Diego Dist. 2

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jill MacDonald
Terra Lawson-Remer
Dustin Fuller

REPRESENTING

City of Solana Beach
County of San Diego Dist. 3
22nd Agricultural District, Ex Officio

VISITORS/STAFF PRESENT

Shawna Anderson
Nathan Lacy
Dewanda Vandermost
Wayne Brechtel
Shannon Quigley-Raymond
Brian Elliott
Becca Smith
Bob Dudley
Paul Bernstein

REPRESENTING

San Dieguito River Park JPA
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San Dieguito River Park JPA, General Counsel
County Parks & Recreation Department
City of San Diego District 1
County of San Diego Dist. 3
Citizens Advisory Committee
Lake Hodges Resident

Introduction and Announcements:

Chair LaCava convened the meeting at 11:18 a.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum of seven board members were present to begin the meeting. Executive Director Anderson introduced Nathan Lacy, the new environmental planner for SDRP JPA.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of June 21, 2024

Chair LaCava thanked Vice Chair Khoury for chairing the June 21, 2024 meeting. Board Member Alternate Kazmer moved to approve the minutes and Board Member Khoury seconded the motion. All in favor.

Yes votes: LaCava, Khoury, Pepin, Worden, Martinez, Kazmer (Alt), Grounds (Alt)

No votes: None

Absent: Lawson-Remer, MacDonald

Abstain: None

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Anderson announced the date of the grand-opening ribbon cutting for the W-19 new trail and wetland restoration project will be September 30, 2024 at 10:00AM.

Executive Director Anderson also announced that SDRP JPA was chosen as the charity for the Red Nose Run to be held December 14, 2024 at 1:00PM.

Director Anderson gave a recap of the Outdoor Equity Grant Escondido Explorers Summer Camp which took place in the last week of June and commended the JPA staff on a successful program. She also shared information about the Felicita Creek trail maintenance performed by the SDRP JPA park rangers to remove rock and terrain obstacles and make the trail user-friendly for the incumbent hand-cyclists that found the trail difficult to traverse.

CAC Chair's Report

Vice Chair Khoury reported that the CAC did not meet in July.

Public Comment – No public comments received.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. FY24-25 Budget Revise

Executive Director Anderson recommended revisions to the FY24-25 JPA Operations Budget approved by the JPA at the May 2024 meeting to reflect an adjusted \$10,000 increase in revenue and the details for what necessitated the budget revisions. She requested that the JPA adopt the revised budget and that it would not change the annual member agency contribution amounts, remaining at FY23-24 levels.

Board Member Alternate Kazmer moved to approve the FY24-25 Revised JPA Budget and Board Member Pepin seconded the motion. All in favor.

Yes votes: LaCava, Khoury, Pepin, Worden, Martinez, Kazmer (Alt), Grounds (Alt)

No votes: None

Absent: Lawson-Remer, MacDonald

Abstain: None

Public Comment- no public comment

2. **Approval of MOU with San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy to Establish a JPA Operational Support Fund**

Executive Director Anderson announced the SDRVC Board approved the MOU at their July 17th 2024 board meeting, establishing a non-wasting investment fund to support JPA operations with an initial \$500,000 contribution.

Director Anderson acknowledged and thanked the team that collaborated on drafting the MOU and recognized two SDRVC Board members Lee Haydu and Ellie Haviland, and Executive Director Goddard's long-standing support. She also acknowledged JPA's General Council Wayne Brechtel and Board members LaCava and Worden for their support and assistance in drafting the MOU.

Director Anderson explained the details of the MOU and the JPA Operations Support Fund and the partnership between SDRVC and SDRP JPA.

Chair LaCava thanked the strong relationship between Executive Director Anderson and Executive Director Goddard.

Board Member Worden moved to approve the JPA Operational Support Fund MOU between JPA and San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy and Board Member Alternate Kazmer seconded the motion. All in favor.

Yes votes: LaCava, Khoury, Pepin, Worden, Martinez, Kazmer (Alt), Grounds (Alt)

No votes: None

Absent: Lawson-Remer, MacDonald

Abstain: None

Public Comment- no public comment

3. **Notice of Preparation for LOSSAN Rail Realignment Project Draft EIR**

Executive Director Anderson summarized the points made in the Staff's NOP comment letter.

Chair LaCava commented that the NOP letter was crafted well in consideration of its purpose and affected agencies.

Board Member Khoury commented that the JPA's letter should acknowledge the positive consequences of the LOSSAN project, such as reduction in traffic and air pollution and provision of a trail undercrossing. Executive Director Anderson explained that although SANDAG's submittal deadline is today, she could make minor edits to the letter if desired by the Board.

Board Member Khoury moved to approve the Staff letter with one correction to change the wording from “this project could potentially be devastating” to “this project has the potential for positive and negative impacts” and Board Member Worden seconded the motion. All in favor.

Yes votes: LaCava, Khoury, Pepin, Worden, Martinez, Kazmer (Alt), Grounds (Alt)

No votes: None

Absent: Lawson-Remer, MacDonald

Abstain: None

Public Comment- no public comment

4. **Horsepark Trail Repairs Status Report – (Oral)**

Executive Director Anderson reported that she met with Carlene Moore and Dustin Fuller from the 22nd Agricultural District and discussed their scope of repairs to the drainage and culvert damage on the Horsepark Trail.

The 22nd Agricultural District will be the facilitator for their lessee HITS to repair the washout as well.

Director Anderson explained that she will involve the original bridge builder and consultant and obtain their input for the appropriate solution to securing the bridge.

Public Comment- no public comment

INFORMATION

5. **Project Status Updates**

- a) **Osuna Segment of Coast to Crest Trail** – Awaiting a hearing date for site development permit approval, . finalizing the joint use agreement with the OMWD and working with the two granting agencies to finalize revised budget to file for request for payment. The project license agreement with the City has been approved and recorded.
- b) **Reach the Beach Fairgrounds Trail** – No report
- c) **San Dieguito Lagoon Phase II Restoration (aka W-19)** – No report
- d) **CTC Trail – East San Pasqual and Sutherland Gaps Project** –No report

4. **Coordination Reports (oral)**

- a. **San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy** -No report
- b. **Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley**- No report
- c. **Volcan Mountain Foundation** – No report
- d. **San Dieguito Lagoon Committee**- No report

5. **Jurisdictional Status Reports** – Board member Worden reported that the Osprey nesting sites relocation project has been delayed due to permitting requirements. This project will be delayed until next year. He shared that collaboration with the 22nd Agricultural District resulted in two poles being installed for the Osprey.
6. **Correspondence** – Donner Letter (3/1/2024) and SANDAG email response (4/18/2024) regarding W-19 lagoon.
7. **Adjourn to Closed Session** – Counsel Brechtel stated that there was no reportable action.

Chair LaCava adjourned the meeting at 12:22 p.m. closing in honor of Bob and Jan Fuchs with a summary of their long-standing support and commitment to the San Dieguito River Park.

These minutes were approved by Board action 09/20/2024



Shawna Anderson, Executive Director