

DON PEDRO RECREATION AGENCY
BOARD OF CONTROL - DON PEDRO PROJECT
MINUTES August 9, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 a.m. Don Pedro Recreation Agency

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Frantz – Turlock Irrigation District
Mike Williams – City & County of San Francisco
Larry Byrd – Modesto Irrigation District

OTHERS PRESENT: Walt Ward – Modesto Irrigation District
Jim Smith – Forever Resorts Regional General Manager
Randell Phillips – Lake Don Pedro Marina
Travis Flosi – Moccasin Point Marina Manager
Dave Jigour – Don Pedro Recreation Agency
Bob & Susie Lynar – Private Houseboat Owners
Marcia Boer – Private Houseboat Owner
Ross & Linda Swett – Private Houseboat Owners
Keith Lynar – Private Houseboat Owner

MINUTES

The Don Pedro Board of Control moved to approve the meeting minutes of July 12, 2013 as written.

MONTHLY FISCAL REPORT

Actual revenue for the month of June, 2013, was \$351,345. Projected revenue for June was of \$379,078. Compared to June, 2012, all categories of revenue were up with the exception of Boat and Personal Watercraft Day Use, Tent sites, Lakeshore Camp, Reservation Fees, and Houseboat Fees. Actual expenses for June were \$281,164. The budgeted expense projection was \$287,577. Capital expenses for the month of June were \$5,686 and were associated with the lake regulatory management project.

MATTERS TO THE GOOD

Moccasin Point Marina (MPM) houseboat mooring customers spoke in regards to the Mooring Lease Agreement they are required to sign. They believe the agreement protects Forever Resorts from any liability in the event of a mooring line break or other damages that may be caused by MPM equipment failure. Their concerns regarding the mooring lines integrity are heightened due to a two story houseboat currently being moored on the line. Jim Smith, Forever Resorts Regional General Manager, spoke to assure them that the larger boats were considered in the overall engineered design of the mooring lines. Chairman Frantz requested that Director Russell draft a letter to Forever Resorts on behalf of the DPRA Board of Control that explains houseboat owner concerns regarding the wording of the Mooring Agreement. Mr. Frantz would like Forever Resorts to consider amending the wording to include acceptance of responsibility for damages that are found to have been caused by a failure of Forever Resorts equipment due to lack of routine maintenance. The letter will be considered as an action item at the September Board of Control meeting.

2014 RECREATION AGENCY BUDGET

Agency Director Russell presented an overview of the draft 2014 O&M and Capital budgets to the Board. The draft included funding two vacant ranger staff allocations, an increased contribution from the sponsoring agencies to offset the capital program costs and to fill the gap created by the projected revenue shortfall, and no proposed user fee adjustments. Discussion included a history of the DPRA operating account, the operational and cost impacts of the Affordable Care Act, justification for filling the allocated staff vacancies, a description of the various O&M accounts with associated costs and the capital budget items. After discussion regarding the status of the 2013 financial picture and alternatives for 2014, the Board was asked to review the detailed material with action to be requested at the September meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There were 1,475 campsite reservations made in July, 2013. This amounts to 62 less than were made in July, 2012. The total reservations year to date exceeds last years' total through the month of July by 180.

A Department of Water Resources, Davis-Grunsky official was on site in June to tour the recreation facilities and provided very positive remarks on the condition, operations and maintenance of the facilities.

The DPRA Ranger I that was on leave since before July 4th weekend has since resigned his position. Staff will begin work to fill the vacancy.

There were no respondents to the Request for Proposals for the Marina Rate Comparability Analysis work. TID Materials Management staff is following up with firms that were sent the request for proposal package to ascertain reasons they were unable to respond to the proposal and to seek other qualified firms to contact.

A boat was launched, sunk and abandoned on the morning of July 21st at Fleming Meadows. With the assistance of LDPM, the boat was raised and removed from the ramp. The hull numbers had been burned, but numbers on the engine may offer some leads. The Tuolumne County Sheriff's Department is investigating.

The SS Relief Floating Restroom moored near Railroad Canyon was subject to several thousand dollars in damage and theft between July 26th and 27th. The unit has been removed and replaced with another unit. The California Department of Boating and Waterways has confirmed that the grant funding DPRA receives for operating and maintaining the restrooms can be utilized to make the repairs.

DPRA's roadwork capital project has been sent out for bid. Bids are due into TID Materials Management on August 23, 2013.

The Lake Operations staff has been adjusting and resetting anchors on launch ramp courtesy docks and moving buoy lines as the lake level continues to go down.

The Maintenance staff has been applying fill to the edges of launch ramps to address the erosion along the concrete ramp edges as the water recedes.

Staff has been working with HDR (FERC relicensing consultants), as they proceed with their studies at the lake.

The DPRA Free Fishing Day will be taking place on September 7, 2013, in coordination with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Free Fishing Day. No fishing license is required by the State and DPRA will not charge vehicle day use for fishermen that day.

CLOSED SESSION
No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT
Due to no further business, the Board adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Russell
Secretary to Board of Control

Copies to: Mr. Williams
Messrs. Frantz, Hashimoto, Her
Messrs. Ward, Bakker, Byrd