

DON PEDRO RECREATION AGENCY
BOARD OF CONTROL - DON PEDRO PROJECT
MINUTES March 8, 2013

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

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Randell Phillips – Lake Don Pedro Marina
Travis Flosi – Moccasin Point Marina Manager
John & Monica Cox – Private Houseboat Owners
Ross Swett & Linda Swett – Private Houseboat Owners
Bob & Susie Lynar – Private Houseboat Owners
Keith Lynar – Private Houseboat Owner

MINUTES

The Don Pedro Board of Control moved to approve the meeting minutes of February 8, 2013 as written.

MONTHLY FISCAL REPORT

Actual revenue for the month of January, 2013, was \$166,281. The revenue for January was below the projected revenue of \$183,003. Compared to January, 2012, all categories of revenue were down with the exception of RV hook-up sites, reservation fees, miscellaneous revenues and WiFi. The majority of the difference is due to the time frame when houseboats permits are renewed. Most of the renewals last year took place in January. This year, the permit renewals were spread more evenly between December 2012 and January 2013. Actual expenses for January were \$177,097. The budgeted expense projection was \$196,075. Expense accounting is not entirely complete for January. There will still be some minor adjustments to the benefits expenses. The capital expenses of \$12,147 for the month of January were associated with the water plant upgrades (turbidimeter and chlorine analyzer), electronics/communications (radios for narrowbanding), signs, lake regulatory management, and restroom roof replacement projects.

MATTERS TO THE GOOD

A private houseboat owner thanked Director Russell for investigating the State of California Boating Law requirements regarding mooring buoy color. An inquiry was also made regarding the timeframe for meeting those requirements. Director Russell stated that DPRA should be able to have its mooring buoys done before this summer. The marinas plan to complete fifteen buoys per month until all 250 are completed. Discussion ensued as to an appropriate time frame for the Marina's buoy work to be completed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There were 500 campsite reservations made in February, 2013. This amounts to 30 more than were made in February, 2012.

A rare site was seen at the lake when approximately 2" of snow fell in the Roger's Creek area on the afternoon of February 19th. Moccasin Point received approximately 3" to 4" of snow which caused some minor damage to branches and trees, but no damage to the RVs camping in the campground or DPRA buildings and site furnishings.

The new DPRA website will be brought on line the evening of March 13th. The contents will be similar to our current site, but it will have a different look and be more compatible with smaller hand-held device screens.

A survey is underway to seek houseboat owner input regarding the request to allow wider houseboats on Don Pedro Lake. Responses to the survey need to be received no later than March 15th.

All but one private houseboat permit renewal was completed by the end of February.

Seasonal employee applications are being reviewed. All but six of the campground operations seasonal employees that were employed last year have reapplied this year.

The Campground Operations staff tree crew is back at Moccasin to continue with pruning Gray pine branches that contain dwarf mistletoe and cleaning up debris left over from the mistletoe project that took place last Fall.

The Fleming Meadows swimming lagoon has been drained in preparation for it to be dried, scraped, sanded and filled for its mid-April opening.

The hiking/bicycling trail out of Blue Oaks has now been extended to the currently gated off County road that went to the old Don Pedro dam. The trail is now six miles long one way. Tuolumne County transportation staff has contacted DPRA about someday connecting into this trail as part of the Tuolumne County Master Plan's trail system.

Director Russell informed those present that DPRA had received a Demand for Arbitration from Moccasin Point Marina and Lake Don Pedro Marina in January. On direction from the Board of Control, DPRA has reached a proposed settlement with the Marinas in lieu of arbitration. A copy will be sent out in the coming week to all houseboat owners and the Board will consider the proposed agreement at the April 12, 2013, Board of Control meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Due to no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Russell
Secretary to Board of Control

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