

MINUTES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
WESTERN ELMORE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT (WECRD)
245 East 6th South, Mountain Home, ID 83647
December 1, 2017 at 6:00PM

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Director Kellerman called the meeting to order at 6:05PM. The following individuals were present:

Director: David Kellerman
Treasurer: Judy Erwin
Administrator: Tarl Smith
Legal: Cheresse McLain (by phone)
Lee Pierce
Dan Gillies

Tarl Smith administered the oath of office in the swearing in of Lee Pierce as Director for WECRD Sub District 1.

II. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established with two board members present. Director Kellerman made a motion to amend the agenda to add the swearing in of Lee Pierce as District Board member and WECRD Director for SubDistrict 1 before establishing a quorum and to add an Executive Session after the approval of the minutes.

III. BOARD MEMBER NOMINEES

Director Pierce explained the process of candidate selection and that there was only one other candidate that was deemed qualified, Dan Gillies of Mountain Home. He resides in SubDistrict 2.

After some discussion, Director Lee Pierce made the motion to appoint David Kellerman as acting Board President for the WECRD for the remainder of his term of office. David Kellerman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

David Kellerman made a motion to remove Art Nelson from all WECRD bank and investment accounts and to add himself as the acting President of the Board of Directors for the Western Elmore County Recreation District, and to add his name on the Pioneer Federal Credit Union accounts. Director Lee Pierce seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor of the motion.

David Kellerman made a motion that to appoint Daniel Gillies as SubDistrict 2 Director. Director Lee Pierce seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor.

Tarl Smith administered the oath of office in the swearing in of Daniel Gillies as WECRD Director for Sub District 2.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Kellerman made a motion to approve the minutes dated October 25, 2017, November 3, 2017 and November 7, 2017. as written. Director Pierce seconded the motion and all directors voted in favor.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION - in accordance with Idaho Code § 74-206(f) for pending and ongoing litigation.

The motion to move to executive session was made by David Kellerman, seconded by Lee Pierce. All directors voted in favor of convening the Executive Session:

AND THE VOTE TO DO SO BY ROLL CALL:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
David Kellerman , President	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee Pierce, Director	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dan Gillies, Director	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

2.Executive Session convened at 6:26PM and the meeting reconvened at 7:05PM. The Executive Session was a general discussion concerning litigation and no decision was made.

V. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

All board members reviewed the Treasurer’s Report of November 21, 2017 as presented.

Judy Erwin gave a brief explanation of the Financial Reports and offered to present the information in different ways if the board desired it. She also stated that the board usually receives the report in advance to review it before the meeting.

Lee Pierce had a question regarding CD maturity and First Interstate Bank. Judy Erwin explained that the majority of these matured in a period of one year. She also reviewed the NCUA and the multiple EINs of the WECRD.

David Kellerman made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report as written, Lee Pierce seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor.

VI. APPROVAL OF BILLS

1. Approval of bills

Lee Pierce made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$17,385.43, as presented by Treasurer Judy Erwin. Dan Gillies seconded the motion. All directors voted in favor.

VII. TREASURER

1. All items related to the Treasurer were presented previously and no further discussion or action was needed.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. The board discussed increased hours for staff in the future and may address the topic at a later date.

IX. ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Tarl Smith recently contacted Miguel Pedroza about upkeep and winterization for Railroad Park, following an email message from Art Nelson on the subject. Mr. Nelson was contacted by the mayor concerning the park. Mr. Pedroza stated in a phone conversation that the sprinklers at Railroad Park have been winterized, but that there would need to be a formal agreement for snow removal and also the maintenance of the park in the future. Mr. Pedroza also stated that the tables, clock and caboos also belong to the City of Mountain Home, and may also require some sort of formal agreement.

Tarl Smith also outlined recent efforts to research the requirements for the fence at Railroad Park and possible fencing materials. He will have more for the directors on the subject in the December 6, 2017 Special Board Meeting.

X. ENGINEER UPDATES

An engineering update will be provided on December 6, at the Special Board Meeting.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

There were no items to be discussed concerning old business.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Betty Ashcraft asked if the Railroad Park could be leased to the City of Mountain Home. Lee Pierce responded by saying the WECRD will be looking at that as an option. David Kellerman said the board will explore this, but is not sure it is a legal option as the court decision may restrict the WECRD from doing this. She also expressed concerns about the expense of the fence.

Larry Steckelberg also asked about the possibility of a lease of Railroad Park with City of Mountain Home.

Betty Ashcraft asked about the number of meetings between now and the end of the year. Lee Pierce responded that there may be two more meeting before the end of the year.

Larry Steckelberg asked if there was anything that the the WECRD needed assistance with that they could help with. Director Pierce stated that community input about what people want to see coming out of the WECRD is welcome, with some kind of a plan for implementation that incorporates families and various age groups. Mr. Steckelberg asked that Tarl Smith continue to post information about what has happened, is happening and what events are going on at the WECRD. Tarl Smith stated that he will continue to do that, as directed by the board. (ra)

Betty Ashcraft thanked Dan and Lee for taking on the responsibility of the WECRD board and thanked David Kellerman for his work on the board.

David Kellerman stated that whatever is done, he hopes that the WECRD moves forward and that people think before they speak and assist, not hamper, the next board from accomplishing tasks in the future.

An individual asked if the WECRD is clear where the WECRD and the Parks and Recreation Department overlap. Lee Pierce stated that any project where the two are involved would most likely be a partnership where the WECRD assists the Parks and Recreation, who would have the lead. He stated that a good partnership with the City of Mountain Home is about more than a building, with support coming from the WECRD and most of the operational effort being led by the City of Mountain Home.

Larry Steckelberg suggested that Richard Aguirre Park could be the home of a recreational facility and discussed a possible swap of land with the City of Mountain Home. David Kellerman stated that those people who have these ideas should get in contact with the WECRD, formally present their ideas and that the WECRD would be willing to listen. Lee Pierce stated that it will take community support to get anything done and agreed that different possibilities need to be explored in greater detail. He also discussed the dual use of equipment for physical therapy and recreation.

The board was asked about the FEMA floodplain study and why it wasn't considered for the previously planned building.

Betty Ashcraft stated that there is no guarantee made by the engineers and that the FEMA study will result in a favorable outcome. The board stated that while that is true, the actual condition of the floodplain will be known and the district will have factual information to work with.

XIII. ADJOURN

David Kellerman mad a motion to adjourn the meeting and Lee Pierce seconded the motion. All directors voted in favor of adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM.

Submitted by:

Tarl Smith, Administrator

Date

APPROVED: _____ as written as amended

David Kellerman, President