

HIGHLANDS RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
62 W. PLAZA DRIVE
HIGHLANDS RANCH, CO 80129

August 25, 2009

Gary Herbella called the Board meeting of the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District to order at 7:05 pm. The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

Roll call was taken:

BOARD MEMBERS: (Chairman in bold face: * = absence; **=excused absence)

Board of Directors

G. Herbella
A. Dreher**
R. Owens
N. Jensen
V. Starkey
N. Smith
R. Stuart

Advisory Board
members

R. Mapp
R. Akers
J. Worley

STAFF:

Terry Nolan, General Manager
Jeff Case, Director, Public Works
Tom Hoby, Director of Parks, Recreation &
Open Space
Bruce Lebsack, Director, Administration &
Finance
David Hahn, Staff Attorney
Stefanie Quintana, Administrative Assistant

Stephanie Stanley, Financial Reporting
Analyst
Sherry Eppers, Community Relations
Manager
Brian Muller, Park Planning Manager
Forrest Dykstra, Manager Development
Engineering

OTHERS:

T. Kershisnik, Met 5
D. Vasquez, Met 5
Fran Santagata, DC Emergency Mgmt
Director
Tim Sparks, HR Resident
Robin Brown, HR Resident
Terie Busch, HR Resident
Kermit (Mel) Claytor, HR Resident
Joel Heinemann, Littleton Fire Rescue
Paul DeSalvo, Littleton Fire Rescue
Ron Coffee, HR Resident
Linda Busch, HR Resident
Kim Seter, HR Resident

Special Presentations

Fran Santagata reported that there has been an increase in motorcycle accidents in the Metro area. The local emergency planning committee will be having a test exercise on November 11th. Jeff Case volunteered to attend the exercise. She indicated that there has been an increase in acid bombs used by school age children. Douglas County will air a PSA warning people of the dangers of acid bombs. The Radio Disney preparedness program at Northridge Elementary was huge success.

Public Comments or Questions

Several residents who have opposed the removal of the Dad Clark Trail lights voiced their concerns on this issue to Board members. Residents stated that they feel the lights add safety to the trail and keep vandalism out. Mr. Seter and Mr. Coffee, both attorneys, feel that there is no liability issue in keeping the lights on the trail. Residents also feel that their property value will decline with the removal of the lights. Some solutions residents have voiced to keep the lights include; purchasing liability insurance for the trail, closing the trail from dusk to dawn and purchasing the lights from Xcel energy. They would like the Board to consider the petitions obtained when voting on this issue.

Reaffirmation of Disclosure

None

Staff Presentations

None

Discussion Items

None

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The following actions were taken:

- Approval of **Board Meeting Minutes** – 07/28/2009 (*Jensen/Starkey*) **6-0 motion passed**
- **Receive and Filed** Study Session Minutes – 08/19/2009 and Finance Committee Notes 07/28/2009 (*Jensen/Starkey*) **6-0 motion passed**
- **Public Hearing** – None
- Approval of **Business Agenda** (*Smith/Jensen*) **6-0 motion passed**
- Approved the following **Consent Agenda Items** (*Starkey/Stuart*) **6-0 motion passed**

Consent Business Items may be adopted by a single motion. Any Consent Business Items may be removed at the request of a Director and heard on its respective place on the Agenda.

HRMD – 170
Adopt Resolution No. 09-170
Approve 2009 Capital Project Appropriation Rescissions and Adjustments

HRMD – 171
Adopt Resolution No. 09-171
Approve 2009 Civic Green Park Valley and Veterans Monument, Change Order and Final Payment

Rick Owens feels the progress on this project has been phenomenal. He recognized staff for the great work done on this project.

HRMD – 172
Adopt Resolution No. 09-172
Approve Renaming Eastridge Park

HRMD – 174
Adopt Resolution No. 09-174
Approve Acceptance of Property, Tract C, Filing No. 105-A

HRMD – 176
Adopt Resolution No. 09-176
Approve Bylaws Addendum I

- Approved the following **General Business** Items:

HRMD – 168
Adopt Resolution No. 09-168
Approve Dad Clark Trail Lights Removal
Jensen – motion/Starkey – second 4 Ayes 2 Nays motion passed
Discussion – Each Board member discussed the reasoning for their aye or nay vote on this issue.

HRMD – 175
Adopt Resolution No. 09-175
Approve Dad Clark Trail Crossing at Toepfer Park, Appropriation, Contract Purchase Order, Amendment to Consulting Contract
Stuart – motion/Starkey – second 6-0 motion passed
Discussion – None

HRMD – 177
Adopt Resolution No. 09-177
Approve Retirement Board Citizen Representative
Owens – motion/Starkey – second 6-0 motion passed
Discussion – None

Special Reports

Vicky Starkey invited Board members to participate in the 2009 Douglas County Youth Congress on October 3rd.

Nancy Smith asked that Board members schedule in upcoming meetings and Metro District events.

Jim Worley requested an explanation of the rules of order for board meetings with regard to motioning and seconding an agenda item. Board members responded that a motion and second occurs before discussion of an item.

Public Comments or Questions

None

Executive Session

Rick Owens moved that Metro District go into Executive Session to discuss Fire and Emergency Services. This is pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(e), C. R. S., "Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators;" and pursuant to 26-4-402(4)(b), C.R.S., "Conferences with the attorney for the District for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions."

The motion was seconded by Vicky Starkey, passed by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the quorum present and the issue was thoroughly discussed. **6-0 motion passed**

In attendance:

G. Herbella	R. Stuart
R. Owens	R. Akers
N. Jensen	R. Mapp
V. Starkey	J. Worley
N. Smith	

D. Hahn	B. Lebsack
T. Nolan	

Executive Session concluded at 9:00 pm.

Board members discussed the new park ID signs with Brian Muller.

Adjournment

Meeting is continued to September 21, 2009 at 7:00 pm

Submitted by Stefanie Quintana – September 29, 2009