



**BEAUMONT CHERRY VALLEY RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Wednesday, November 13, 2019  
390 W. Oak Valley Parkway Beaumont, CA 92223**

**MINUTES**

**DISTRICT CLOSED SESSION** – None.

**BEAUMONT CHERRY VALLEY RECREATION AND PARK IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (BCVRPIC):** None

**WORKSHOP SESSION:** None.

**REGULAR SESSION:** Regular Session to Begin at 5:00 pm

Regular session began at 5:00pm

**Roll Call:**

Director De La Cruz   X   Director Ward   A   Treasurer Diercks  
  X  

Vice-Chair/Secretary Flores   A   Chairman Hughes   X  

**Invocation:** General Manager Burk, gave the invocation

\*let the record show Vice Chair/secretary Flores arrived at 5:01\*

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Director De La Cruz led the pledge of allegiance

**Presentations:** None

**Adjustments to Agenda:** None.

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Rick Foster – Rick Foster he has been in the community for 15 years and has worked with the Church. He recently had an event at the Grange and he said it almost took 2 months to get his deposit back. He called down to the office and couldn't get ahold of anybody. Kyle made contact with him and he finally got his check back it was about \$200 short. He did have to use the kitchen because there was construction going on where he planned to cook. He also went in early to make sure the setup was correct for his event and it was set up wrong. He assisted in the clean up after the event. He feels he wasn't satisfied with his deposit and he's concerned about this happening to someone else. General Manager will look into that.

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 2.1 Minutes of October 9, 2019
- 2.2 Bank Balances October 2019
- 2.3 Warrants for October 2019

Motion was made to accept items 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3.

**Initial Motion:** Chairman Hughes

**Second:** Treasurer Diercks

**\*let the record show Vice Chair Secretary Flores arrived at 5:03**

**Result of Motion:** Carried 4-0

**Director De La Cruz:** Aye

**Director Ward:** Absent

**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye

**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

The General Manager comments that the finance committee did look at the bank balances.

Chairman Hughes feels he is good with the reports because the finance committee goes over it and it has been looked at in the board packages

**3. ACTION ITEMS/BIDS & PUBLIC HEARING/REQUESTS:** (Includes Committee Reports)

3.1 Approval of 2020 Board Meeting Dates

Motion was made to accept item 3.1.

Opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

**Initial Motion:** Treasurer Diercks

**Second:** Vice Chair/Secretary Flores

**Result of Motion:** Carried 4-0

**Director De La Cruz:** Aye

**Director Ward:** Absent

**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye

**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

The General Manager reports that Janet and Nancy are at a conference through CSDA the 2020 calendar is looking for a motion for the second Wednesday of each month, as it has been. Janet is looking to approve the calendar as presented.

General Manger wanted to clarify the action is to approved the Board meeting dates and not the holiday schedule. They will be approved separately.

3.2 Approval of 2020 Holiday Schedule

Motion was made to accept item 3.2.

Opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

**Initial Motion:** Chairman Hughes

**Second:** Treasurer Diercks  
**Result of Motion:** Carried 4-0  
**Director De La Cruz:** Aye  
**Director Ward:** Absent  
**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye  
**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye  
**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

The General Manager discussed this is the same calendar Janet put together, nothing is new to the calendar and we are not asking for any additional days it follows the schedule as our contract is.

### 3.3 Approval of 2020 Calendar of Events

Motion was made to accept item 3.3.

Opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

**Initial Motion:** Chairman Hughes

**Second:** Director De La Cruz

**Result of Motion:** Carried 4-0

**Director De La Cruz:** Aye

**Director Ward:** Absent

**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye

**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

The General Manger states Kyle has put together the schedule of evets for 2020. Kyle is the Nancy to my left but it does not sound right to call him that. The events are the same but we have tentatively added a one and five K at Bogart. We are not sure if that will get done. If we do not get it this year we will get it the latter part of 2020 or 2021. The General Manager also states we will be adding a Cinco de Mayo festival May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020. The rest as is presented in the past. It has been a goal for the ad hoc committee to have events at Bogart and a Cinco de Mayo festival. We are following the ad hoc committee.\*let the record show Director Ward arrived at 5:15pm

### 3.4 Approval of 2020 Parking Fee Days

Motion was made to continue item 3.4 until the December Board meeting  
Opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

**Initial Motion:** Chairman Hughes

**Second:** Treasurer Diercks

**Result of Motion:** Carried 5-0

**Director De La Cruz:** Aye

**Director Ward:** Aye

**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye  
**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

2 part to this for the chairman and the Board. The General Manager states he believes this should be on the foundation calendar and asked to continue the item to the December meeting. There is nothing in the packet for it. The idea is the Foundation fees are the parking fees. We will bring back the dates to the December Board meeting. Chairman Hughes asked to let the record reflect Director Ward is here at 5:15. This item will be continued to the December Board meeting. Roll call will be that this item will be continued to December

#### **4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Human Resources Administrator/Clerk of the Board: Janet Covington

The General Manager will be Janet right now. Janet and Nancy are at a conference for CSDA. A part time maintenance employee left and we have 29 employees. There are no reports or no workman's comp claims. Second the safety compliance company provided electrical safety training for the maintenance department. Aaron Morris completed a playing field maintenance academy. We have been utilizing target solutions on the online training program. We have issued anti-harassment training for new employees. Alyssa Fuimaono completed how to use QuickBooks training in October. James Hughes was selected September employee the month. Staff celebrated October 7<sup>th</sup> with lunch and games. Thank you to the directors who were able to attend. The Annual Holiday Party is December 13<sup>th</sup> 2019 at the Grange community center. There will be comedians performing. Famous Dave's will cater the event. The invitation is attached; if you would like to participate in a gift exchange please bring a wrapped gift valued up to \$25. She is working on a staff library for employees to find books that are interesting to them or for supervisors to read. There are currently 12 books ranging from Roberts rules of order computer reference guides, computer reference books to motivational books. WE will be changing payroll companies at the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year Paychex has not been able to meet our needs. Janet has met with a company Heartland Payroll solutions and we have been providing data to them for an ongoing process. Chad Holladay from Singer Lewak referenced the company to us.

Financial Services Technician/Office Manager: Nancy Law

The General Manager will be speaking on Nancy's behalf. The Finance committee met Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 to review the October 2019 financial reports for the fiscal year 2019/2020. The

monthly financial reports consist of profit and loss budget vs the actual, as well as the bank account balance and warrant registers which are also included in the board packet which the board approved earlier. Property tax disbursements the finance manager has not received the payment for October 2019. The finance has transferred \$5000 in to the reserve account bringing the balance to \$230,093.54 additional items finance completed and sent out the CDBG Grant for ADA restroom accessibility for Noble Creek Community Center. Finance has completed and sent in a transparency certificate for transparency for the district in California Special District Association. Finance worked on the Pumpkin Carve which was very successful. Staff will talk more about that. Finance met with National Fitness Campaign for progress and delivery of our material for the outdoor fitness center which has been delivered and is under the new carport for storage. Finance met with polished images for Bogart gate buttons for point of sale system and that is still a work in progress and finance attended a webinar with Umpaq bank regarding administration of our credit cards.

Activities Coordinator: Kyle Simpson

Facility rentals have been picking up and we have 5 more facility rentals until the end of the month. Kyle is excited about construction being completed at Noble Creek Community Center so we can keep renting out our facility. Past events we had Pumpkin carve October 26<sup>th</sup> and it went really well I appreciate all the help from staff. All of the pumpkins were sold about 274, very close to the 300 mark. New awards were given out this year, in the past we gave out ribbons to contest winners but they did not seem like great prizes. We got awards through awards and specialties; there were new trophies and it seemed as if everyone enjoyed the new prizes. Dance spectrum performed this year and they did their thriller dance and it is a really great show. They will be at Winterfest as well. Kyle wanted to say special thanks for donations Green Thumb Produce for donating the pumpkins, Walmart for donating candy, and BYB for donating decorating items and decorating items. The next upcoming event is Winterfest December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5-9pm and December 7<sup>th</sup> from 2-8pm. We will be having the snow hill again this year and we are on the Arctic Glacier calendar. They will be blowing the snow on Friday. Entertainment will be Heart and soul line dancing both days, Beaumont Music Centre both days and starlight elementary school choir. Another elementary school will be participating as well, and keep the kid friendly theme. He is also in the process of hiring another band for the event they play soft rock and Christmas music. WE have 12 craft vendors and 3 food vendors. There is another week for them

to get the applications in. Vickie Grunewald will be Mrs. Claus again and she will be bringing Santa. As the event gets closer she will give exact times so we can advertise that Santa photo opportunities will be these specific times. Parking at the ponds will be available. The water district made sure the lot was available and Kenneth Fago is allowing us to use the lot next to the Grange. Security will be at the event for parking and San Gorgonio Pass Posse will be there for the annual bike raffle. Kyle attended the Beaumont chamber breakfast with Janet, Nancy, and Aaron, Chairman Hughes was there as well to listen to Senator Mike Morrell speak. Next facilities ad hoc will be November 26th

Athletic Coordinator: Dodie Carlson

Dodie wanted to back Kyle up and ask if the board will be driving the Hay ride for Winterfest. \*Kyle asked the Board if they will be interested in driving the hayride at Winterfest. Treasurer Diercks will be driving for the event; any other board member has the invite as well.

Fall adult ball season is cruising right along, Tuesday had to be extended because of fire camp Canned food drive is moving along a little slower than expected but we will get there. The spooky spectacular tournament was held October 25<sup>th</sup> there were 6 teams and everybody was dressed in costume this year which is rare. We raised \$816 from the Oktoberfest tournament, \$750 was approved to go to Winter wish and the excess will go to the foundation, but winter wish names have not been drawn yet so we do not know for sure. Just on the spooky spectacular the net profit was \$278 for the foundation. She is working on the calendar for 2020 there are many verbals all the way out just waiting for paperwork. October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> we held the 12 annual engine 57 tournament 72 teams were here this year if anyone was able to make it down there it was very emotional with so many people in the league. We had in the finals out of 8 divisions 7 of them had Beaumont players playing in the final which was very impressive maybe only one or two on each team but they all started here. Staff would like to give contributions, we have been giving every year for this tournament for the last 12 years by reducing their bill by \$700 the board did approve \$1000 last year and we are requesting that again this year. \$700 is being requested, the general manager said this was brought to the board last year and they approved \$1000. Treasurer Diercks made a motion to approve \$1000 this year Chairman Hughes second for the motion. This is the option and a second for approval of \$1000 for the Engine 57 tournament. Chairman Hughes asked that this money goes to families of fallen firefighters. Dodie confirmed the money goes to fallen firefighters and police.

Motion was made to approve \$1000 for Engine 57  
Opened public comment. No public comment. Closed public comment.

**Initial Motion:** Treasurer Diercks

**Second:** Chairman Hughes

**Result of Motion:** Carried 5-0

**Director De La Cruz:** Aye

**Director Ward:** Aye

**Treasurer Diercks:** Aye

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:** Aye

**Chairman Hughes:** Aye

General Manger wants to say he appreciates staff going on an d getting money on behalf of the foundation

Maintenance Foreman: Frank Flores

General Manager on behalf of Frank Flores

For the month of October the district has dealt with the windy weather, high winds brought bout fire camp as you know. It is always a pleasure to assist Cal Fire, thank you to the staff who was able to close Noble Creek Park in a moment's notice. Renovations to Noble Creek Community Center are pressing along as you can see. Proud of new community center and can't wait for completion. There are many trees downed at Noble Creek Park and they have scheduled a tree company to come down and remove and manicure over 20 trees. The district has installed a new fence around field 7 we are currently purchasing a yellow cap for the safety of the fence. Kyle mentioned a thank you to green thumb. They donated 8 pallets and he believes this is the first year all of the pumpkins were purchased; it was a fun event for all. On a side not we did lose one part time employee who is pursuing his career in HVAC systems, the district purchased his going away lunch and had a going away party. Staff is continuing to work on irrigation at Bogart Park and boy, is that challenge. They have been working on wiring on the clock and have 10 stations working. Maintenance is working on snow fence around the pond to close access to the pond. The south access road has been completed. The road going out to Winesap weeds throughout the road have been completed. Duane would like the road to be open to make sure there are no other problems out there. CDF did a day of clearing brush around the tank. The tank was damaged from the last Bogart fire engulfed and caused damage to the tank, that's what we were told by the county. That has been cleared around the tanks. Frank will not be attending the Board meeting due to his night class he has on Wednesdays, upon completion of the class he will receive a certificate of pest management from COD, College of the Desert. He would like to thank the board and General Manager for allowing

him to take the time to complete his educational goals and hopes everyone has a wonderful thanksgiving and he will see you all at Winterfest

Maintenance Foreman: Aaron Morris

With the winter season approaching turf growth will be slowing down and color will change due to our turf going dormant, specifically our Bermuda grass. With fall ball season coming up maintenance has decided to dedicate one member of staff to follow a weekly maintenance routine to keep up the quality of our fields. Establishing this routine will set new standards for how the fields should look every week and how safe they should be while being used. His goals for the district are to keep the fields neat, safe, and clean for anyone coming to use the fields and facilities. As Frank mentioned field 7 fencing project has been completed and he will be getting together with Odie to get quotes on orange fencing. That field does have dugout gates and road access gates out on to the field. Now all of our ball fields can and will be locked when necessary. Our new lily spreader is up and running. Maintenance has been spreading gypsum and potassium to all of our turf areas, so hopefully you will see some difference in soil nutrition balance. Maintenance has started field 1 renovation project and so far we have measured out the warning track and surrounding areas of turf and edged out lines for where to place perimeter sprinkler heads so that was finished today. Tomorrow sprinkler heads will be measured and he will see if they need to add any or take any out. So far there has been one identified to take out, it should not be too bad for an irrigation project. Fall season is coming; maintenance has decided to hold off on overseeding and instead will focus on level out the outfield with our new Cloppy Hardy field renovator. As you know the field renovator works as a leveler, aerator detacher all in one pass. I have been playing on the ball fields over the past month and noticed that some outfield were uneven and old, there has been a lot of use and gophers. His priority is to level fields to the best of our ability and backfill with sand. He heard a lot of feedback from other users. His priority is safety over the past few months. Staff will be receiving training on how to properly fill out work logs and reports to help keep track of our work and routine. Aaron is working with the weekend staff on things like restrooms logs inventory logs materials and field use reports. Aaron is checking logs weekly to insure they are filling them out. He completed training with them this past weekend. One thing not mentioned in the report I went to 2 field day training, on the Anaheim Angels Stadium, he is not a big fan of the Angles but to be able to walk on a pro field is truly something. He went through the stadium and the dugouts and



learned maintenance on their pitcher mound. He is trying to figure out how to get in contact with the key speakers but it is turning out hard than he thought. One from UCR, Jim Baird I a turf grass doctor and Aaron will be attending their field day next year. HE had insightful things to say. Two weeks ago Aaron went to Long Beach State University that was hosted by Diamond Pro; they are a material provider for our quick dry. He got to meet the head groundskeeper and some vendors. He mentioned many of the vendors mention we have crazy weather out there. Aaron wasn't to thank the board for allowing him to attend the field days and he looks forward to more field days.

General Manager: Duane Burk

The General Manager mentioned he has covered most things, primarily; I have been sick lately and have been in and out of the office, he mentions he missed the collaborative meeting because he wasn't feeling well and it has lingered for the past couple weeks as most of you know. You can see all of the construction going on and doing some work in Bogart as staff pointed out. He is looking forward to the holidays and the Winterfest.

**5. CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

5.1 Committee Meetings

- Collaborative Agency – First Wednesday Bi-Monthly, 5:00pm NCCC
- Finance – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Every Month 5:00 pm NCCC.
- Facility Use Ad Hoc- Second & Fourth Tuesday Monthly @ 5:30 pm
- BCVRPD Board Meeting Schedule, NCCC  
December 11, 2019  
January 8, 2020  
February 12, 2020

5.2. Upcoming Holidays

Thanksgiving Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29, 2019  
Tuesday & Wednesday, December 24 & 25, 2019  
Christmas Tuesday, December 31, 2019 New Year's Eve

5.3. Events

Winterfest - December 6 & 7, 2019  
Staff Annual Holiday Party – December 13, 2019

**DIRECTORS MATTERS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director De La Cruz:**

Armando

He would like to thank the staff, board members, chairman and Duane for all of their hard work and dedication. He attended the Beaumont City Hall Meeting December 15<sup>th</sup>; the city of Beaumont has awarded a contract to M Grey Electric Inc. for city wide electric services for the next 3 years. The City awarded a contract to TSR Construction and inspection in the amount not to exceed \$237,000 for community development block grant project. He went to Bogart Park and it is nice. He can't wait until the pond is completed. He likes the way the office at Noble Creek is looking and he is looking forward to Winterfest and the holiday party.

**Director Ward:**

Denise

Thank you to everybody, everyone is doing a great job. She likes the construction going on, on the front of the building, she can't wait for it to be completed. She attended the collaborative agency last week. Overall all of the agencies that attended spoke about the power outages and the wind and fires and how it affected everybody in the community. All of the agencies there were concerned in trying to be more proactive in being prepared forming an Emergency preparedness team and staying in constant communication with each agency. They spoke highly of Duane and what he did for the water district. Dan said he was in contact communication with Duane. The school district struggled with mixed messages from Edison in communicating with the public and their families. It would be a good idea to start an emergency management department. San Geronimo hospital has a lot of things coming up about becoming a stroke center. She does not think we have anything in our area. They will be teaming up with Loma Linda and Arrowhead, also they will be bringing in orthopedics. County of Riverside Mickey spoke about boundary issues and emergency preparedness, maybe come up with the idea that a lot of cell phones are out during emergencies, maybe radios for agencies to communicate. Bogart, Dan said we should have water up there by, she did not write it down. Duane filled in that we have water tied in, they are just setting it up now. Board approved the new water line, we went from a meter that was in a remote location to a manifold meter. Duane did not want to pay for 3 meters at the same time. What has been agreed and memorialized that will be brought back to the board is that during a fire event they will open 2 standby meters, they have to open. The fire hydrant now flow 600 gallons per minute. That is logistical for them to do but if we have a big event we have the ability to turn on a second meter and only be charged for the one 2 inch meter. It benefits both agencies. Child help fundraiser is November 17<sup>th</sup>. She did not want to announce the volunteer of the year because she isn't sure if it has been announced. Chairman Hughes said it is out. Larry from City of Calimesa spoke about the fire and said they were in recovery mode. They have a lot of things for

community members who suffered, they are looking of financial funds for their victims. They have an event coming up to raise funds for the victims. The Collaborative agency has been reschedule to January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 4pm that will be the same day as our Board meeting but an hour earlier.

**Treasurer Diercks:**

Chris

Things are looking great around here; the remodel in the front is starting to shape up really good. Everyone is doing a great job and keep up the good work.

**Vice Chair/Secretary Flores:**

John

He likes the new event calendar. As far as having an event at Bogart it is nice to have races and hopefully it will rival mount Sac or diamond valley. He is glad to see that happening

**Chairman Hughes:**

Dan

He thought the Pumpkin Carve went really well, Kyle thank you fr that, there were a lot of people there. This event always goes well but this year exceptionally because of the Pumpkin sales. When he got there and bought a couple but when he got there were only about 15-20 on the ground. They had another pallet but he thought they were getting rid of these very quick. Vice Chair Flores and myself Duane, Karen, my wife, and Nancy attended Autumn Elegance which is an event Valley Wide Recreation puts on because we like supporting the other groups around here, it was really a net event which we will take some things from them which we saw and bring them over here. What they had was food stations with tastings from restaurants around there. What he was really mad about was he wanted, Karen – Duane’s wife brought up that she wants donuts and Dan said that he wants fresh donuts but they never showed up. They had special lemonade there and had about 27 glasses of it, it was really good. The event was really good it was put on by friends of valley wide, their foundation. It was a nice event and something we will probably go to every year. Good morning Beaumont was Senator Morrell. There were weird things brought up. There was a senator putting a bill out to provide free healthcare for California the cost of the bill is 400 billion dollars. The senator said we had the best year ever in California and we collected 189 billion dollars. He was asking the other senator how he proposes the other 211 billion. Their response was California was going to hike up a 13% tax rate to 27.4% tax rate. The senator told us there. That still wouldn’t meet the 400 billion dollar price. The point trying to make is the elected up there come in from being a legislative assistant and move up positions. They need fresh faces there to come up with new things that are going on. He is termed out this year. He talked about new younger people coming in to straighten things out up there. Chairman Hughes agree with him that the government should be run

from local level to federal, not the federal level down and he agrees with him in those principles. He talked about a school program going on which Chairman Hughes does not want to get into but it is about sex education. They are teaching this about 10 years of age, parents do not even know this is going on it is just something out there and the way they are doing it is wrong. He introduced a new bill to combat that and create a new bill where parents have to look at the internet site and approve that their kids can opt in or opt out. Chairman Hughes said he would opt out right away; Kyle was there and heard all of that stuff. It was pretty weird hearing them talk about it. Fire Camp was a success one thing he would like to encourage is that every time we have a fire map there is a press briefing after. He would like to see, he knows we all work but he would like to set up a system like after the Calimesa fire, the next day Supervisor Hewitt came down because of the homes burned and lives lost. He did a press conference here and Chairman Hughes was the only elected there. He would like to put this out to; if you can make it or get there he would like to show our support. He thinks they will try to create some system where if there is a press conference that that information would be sent to the board. As far as elected go there were only a few. He would like to show more support in those cases. Today Duane and Chairman Hughes met with the Chief of Police and they are talking about an active shooter situation. He would like to see staff trained on what we would do. God forbid if it ever happens but if it did what is staff's role, the board, the GM and what we would do in that situation. If there is an active shooter the buses will be coming here and parents coming here to pick up their kids. They went to a CSDA conference and they heard, he asked Duane to fill in on it. The conference was CARPD, the active shooter was CSDA. We are all faced with tragedies as recent as the Fire in Calimesa, there is not really a way to plan for that. At the last CARPD conference in May, there were two guest speakers from Park Districts; the topic was how park districts were involved with things you would never think staff would be involved with. One thing was the fire that burned in Paradise that took out complete community. About 85 lives lost, pretty much an entire town what was left was community involvement in the community center and they comingled back to the community center. The park district manager, even though they lost a lot of things at their park, they were able to facilitate unification and, Paradise is a small community, the will to put things back. He thinks staff may never be able to be prepared to be trained for things like that and may even shrug it off a little bit. You may never know what you may be called upon to do. As a board, as a general manager, staff, you don't know what you are called upon to do. The second one is a personal friend of Duane, Jim Fridol, the general manager of Canejo, which is Ventura park district. The community center for Canejo was brought in for the shooting at the bar. 13 young people lost their lives and they activated a community center reunification where staff for Canejo assists community in reunifying with their family. Grief counselors were there and as people were there waiting for loved ones the number kept dwindling down. Ultimately people

standing alone realized their loved ones weren't coming home. When he gave that presentation we were supposed to do something else. They took a pause and Duane does not think there was a dry eye in the place. The intent behind it was that you don't know what community centers may be called upon to do. Whether ours is small or we erect a tent, or we do some type of training where we put out cots or things like that. You do not know what will be called upon you. We have 40 RV spots over there and a place for horses and you don't know. We have Bogart now. Your mind as a board and staff you should realize that you could be called upon in a different role. Here the recent fire in Calimesa, there was a lot of lost family and homes there. He thinks there was one person who perished. That is a tragedy in itself. Whether we get a lot of training, we should all be aware of what may be called upon us. That is a reason we are meeting with the chief and other partners in the community. That could happen to us and we will need their help as well. We are not just a park district we do other things outside of that scope.

Chairman Hughes- He thinks it is important, people who have been around a long time know that his thing, is he thinks it is important to collaborate and work together for what is right for our constituents. This is a big thing and the Chief agrees although, some staff may not be ready because it is pretty bizarre what we are called upon to do. Treasurer Diercks may have been involved with that in Whittier. Chairman Hughes will be moving forward with it. We will start with a presentation and then talk about if we want to go into then what happens in the event where they actually shoot submissions off. It will freak you out when it happens, it isn't really happening but you are in the middle of it and how you act. He thinks it will be good for all of us. He brought up the CHP officer who was killed frequented our park. You never know what is going to happen. We are moving that direction because we need that here and we want it and to have us prepared just in case that should happen. What do we do, how do we handle it, and what is our role. Our staff when the Calimesa fire broke out and then the small one in Banning he spoke to Duane right away and they reached out to Calimesa and Banning to see if there was anything we could do don't hesitate to let us know. Those cities remember because we are one of the few who reached out in that situation. Calimesa said the assistance from police and fire even on off time was overwhelming.

Director Ward mentioned the sandalwood fire fundraiser is this Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> 2-6pm on Third Street in Calimesa. They will have bands food and drinks, things for the kids to do for who wants to attend.

Chairman Hughes appreciates everything the staff is doing and he hopes everyone has a good Thanksgiving and we will be getting ready for the annual Christmas party.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT:**

Treasurer Diercks made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second by Director Ward. The meeting adjourned at 6:01pm.

