

**RIO LINDA ELVERTA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
810 Oak Lane, Rio Linda, California 95673**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 15, 2026**

Call to Order

Chairperson Wayne Del Nero called the meeting to order on April 15, 2026, at 6:00pm. Present were Vice Chairperson Troy Golden, Secretary Lisa L. Morris, Director Charlea Moore, and Director Deanna Read. Staff members present included General Manager Mike Heller, Administrative Services Supervisor Annette Hernandez, Park Maintenance Supervisor Donald Davidson, Recreation Supervisor Yanni Lagge and Administrative Assistant Sandra Mefford. The meeting was also broadcast on Zoom Communications.

Public Comments

No Public Comments this month

Presentations & Announcements

No Presentations or Announcements this month.

Review of Written Correspondence

California Association of Recreation and Park Districts– Call for Nominations –Received and filed.

Consent Calendar

Motion No. 1

It was moved by Director Morris and Vice Chairperson Golden seconded the motion to approve the consent calendar as follows: (1) Knight Watch Security Monthly Report; (2) Minutes of the March 18, 2026 Board of Directors Regular Meeting; (3) Cash Disbursements, March 31, 2026; (4) Finance Report, March 31, 2026; (5) Park Maintenance Monthly Report, March 2026; (6) Recreation Monthly Report, March 2026; (7) General Manager's Report March 2026; (8) Approval of Resolution 2026-05 approving an amendment to Policy #2045 – Family and Medical Leave; Motion carried: Ayes; (5); Noes; (0), Abstain; (0), Absent; (0).

General Business

Agenda Item #9

Discussion - Recreation Division Summer Programs and relationship with the Twin Rivers Unified School District.

General Manager Heller Introduced this item. The Recreation and Park District operate recreation and enrichment programs for children, youth, teens, and adults throughout the District. Often the District will partner with outside groups to either fill programs or to deliver programs. He further requested that the Board of Directors receive the Staff report and ask any questions and/or provide any suggestions or comments with the current agreement with the Twin Rivers Unified School District (TRUSD). This was discussed with the Administration and Finance Committee during their April meeting.

Chairperson Del Nero asked if the Recreation and Park District believes that the TRUSD is trying to move us out of programming by sending their funding to the Teen Center. General Manager Mike Heller answered that he would like to think no, but the Board should consider that one of the key people trying to ensure the success of the Teen Center is a TRUSD Trustee. There is no question there is some duplication of services and that is a challenge. The RLE Teen Center is supposed to be more focused on the Teen services. He does not think Twin Rivers is trying to push us out, it is more likely that everyone is attempting to get a piece of the pie and the Recreation and Park District currently has it. There have been

some delays in the actual teen center opening for teen programming. There have been some other community events. There are opportunities for both organizations to collaborate, meetings are occurring to make everybody viable for the community.

Director Moore stated that the Administration and Finance Committee spoke about this topic and were asking the same questions as Chairperson Del Nero. She can see his point and thinks we really need to keep an eye on this to see what the Teen Center does.

Director Read stated there is a lot of interest across the board we could make a point to focus on outdoor teen programs as the Teen Center focuses on indoor programs. We can only control what we do, and this is what we can do to work in partnership with them.

Director Moore said she has noticed that our skate park does not seem to be used too much. Perhaps we could start a program with the older kids teaching younger kids to skate.

Agenda Item #10

Discussion - Board of Directors Recommendations for Capital Projects to be addressed in the upcoming Preliminary Budget.

General Manager Mike Heller introduced this item. The Board of Directors is asked to discuss the projects and provide direction to Staff for the Preliminary Budget. The Capital Improvements list was discussed and there were some questions and comments.

Chairperson Del Nero asked about the bleachers at Babe Best and what was wrong with them. Parks Supervisor Davidson explained that a total of five sets are out of current safety compliance and need to be replaced prior to our next CAPRI inspection.

Director Moore inquired about adding more trees to Babe Best to increase shade. It was explained by both Parks Supervisor Davidson and General Manager Heller that a lot of the bleachers are located on concrete and that it will take many years for the benefits of shade from new plantings. Director Moore did state that any trees lost should be replaced with two new ones. The Staff agreed.

Vice Chairperson Golden asked if the Staff have looked at all aspects of the bucket lift for associated costs and maintenance. Parks Supervisor Davidson commented that the District is looking at a tow behind unit and not a drivable unit and that they had done their research on a unit.

The immediate need for the marquee was discussed, and it was recommended to pull this item from the Capital Improvement List.

Motion No. 2

It was moved by Vice Chairperson Golden and Director Moore seconded to motion to strike the marquee replacement from the Capital Improvement Project list; Motion carried: Ayes; (5); Noes; (0), Abstain; (0), Absent; (0).

Board of Directors Committee Minutes

Administration and Finance Committee – Met on April 6, 2026. Discussed the Marquee at Depot Park, the Budget, and combining other entities with larger events such as Eggstravaganza, Truck or Treat, and Breakfast with Santa.

Planning Committee – Met on April 3, 2026. Discussed The Grandpark Provenance Project, Park Playgrounds, Central Park, and the mobile dog park.

Safety and Security Committee – Did not meet.

Dry Creek Parkway – Did not meet.

LAFCo-SDAC – Did not meet.

Board of Directors Comments

Secretary Morris thanked the Directors, General Manager Heller, and the Staff

Vice Chairperson Golden stated the parks look good and is looking forward to the summer events.

Director Read thanked Recreation Supervisor and Park Maintenance Supervisor Donald Davidson. She said the parks look great and hopes that we can work with the Teen Center

Director Moore thanked all Directors and staff. She said the Parks look great and thanked Recreation Supervisor Lagge for doing an excellent job on the flyers for the Farmers Market. She reiterated that she has turned the Farmers Market over to the District. She thanked the Administrative Division Staff for their continued good work. She is looking forward to summer. She announced the Spaghetti dinner to be held at Creekside Diner on April 18, 2026, at 5:00pm.

Chairperson Del Nero thanked everyone and said the fields look nice and he appreciates it.

General Manager Comments

General Manager Heller Had no comments.

Future Agenda Items

General Manager Heller stated the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Preliminary Budget will be introduced at the May meeting. The annual budget is presented over a four month period with as public hearing to approve the preliminary budget in June and the final budget to be approved in August.

Adjournment

Chairperson Del Nero adjourned the meeting at 6:46pm.

APPROVED: Del Nero, Golden, Moore, Morris, Read

ATTEST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:



Wayne Del Nero
Chairperson, Board of Directions



Lisa L. Morris
Secretary, Board of Directors