

# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 4, 2015



The June 4, 2015 Special Board Meeting of the Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District Board of Directors was called to order by Board Chair Sandy Bonato at 7:03 p.m. in the Perera Pavilion at the Community Center.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Chair Bonato led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**BOARD PRESENT:** Bonato, Shess, Glover, Donaghu, Sterrett

**STAFF PRESENT:** Berggren, Bradley, Hurtado, Young

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH DISC GOLF PROPOSAL AT PASO NOGAL PARK (ACTION)**

Board Chair Bonato introduced the Board members to the audience and reviewed through a brief presentation a summary of comments that the Board had received from Paso Nogal Park neighbors on the disk golf issue. Bonato acknowledged each comment, explaining in turn that the District’s residents have benefited over the years by new ideas that prior and current Boards have been willing to explore, that the Board understands the environmental requirements of state law and had many questions of its own, that the District clearly had needed to do a much more thorough job of researching issues before it decided to meet with Park neighbors, and that a copy of the roster of neighbors who were originally notified was available in the room. Bonato thanked staff and everyone in the audience who had worked hard to spread word of the night’s special meeting, appreciated the comprehensive report that a large number of concerned neighbors had prepared, and acknowledged the slide show of photos of open spaces and vistas in the Park that neighbor Maria Banghart had shared. Bonato reviewed the protocol for the meeting agenda and explained to the audience the outline of the evening and how public comment would work.

The following Pleasant Hill residents spoke against Disc Golf at Paso Nogal Park listing environmental concerns, parking concerns, safety issues, and general opposition to Disc golf at this particular location:

1. Tom Boltz	9. Lynne Devereux	17. Michael Martin	25. William Gegg	33. Charles Enea
2. Eric White	10. Ward Wogsland	18. Julie Ross	26. Kim Rittenhouse	34. Jessica Cooper
3. Monica Lucero	11. Eric Granberg	19. Jimmie St. Arnold	27. Wayne Simpson	35. Barbie Vaneer
4. Jerry Cooper	12. Jim & Marievita Lowe	20. Maria Banghart	28. Hooman Jenab	36. Atefeh Paktinat
5. Jean Blaser	13. Lisa Aquirre	21. Salma El-Safwamr	29. Joe McNeil	
6. Mark Lubiszewsk	14. Lynn Watson	22. Shelley Gillmore	30. Rita Ray McNeil	
7. Peter Beldew	15. Frank Fields	23. David Blau	31. Bill Sachs	
8. Debra Klinck	16. Ken Walters	24. Susanne Rheingru	32. Larkin Breed	

The following Pleasant Hill residents spoke in support of Disc Golf at Paso Nogal Park:

1. Bryan Carslon	2.Christoph Fromme
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Board Chair Bonato asked for Board comments before the vote.

Board Member Shess thanked Board Chair Bonato for her opening remarks at the beginning of the meeting. He explained that he had looked at the proposal of the Disc Golf course as an idea only. He commended the community for their involvement in the process. Shess commented that it is not worth going forward with the issue at this time.

Board Member Glover thanked the community for attending the meeting. He thanked everyone for their support of the District.

Board Member Sterrett commented that she learned a lot about the project as it has progressed.

Board Member Donaghu commented that he recently watched a disc golf game played at a golf course. He said a golf course is a much better venue than a park. He expressed concerns about parking.

Board Chair Bonato commented that she would like to answer all the questions raised by the community, but that she did not have all the answers at this time. She commented that she does not support disc golf in the park, but she feels the activity is a good idea. She publically apologized to Scott Anders who brought the idea to the District. She felt he was not treated well by the community. She stated that safety is a large concern for her.

Upon motion of Board Members Shess & Glover the Board unanimously approved to not proceed with the Disc Golf proposal at Paso Nogal Park.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Bonato adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

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Robert B. Berggren, Clerk of the Board