

MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 7, 2026, 6:30 p.m.
Palo Corona Regional Park, Discovery Center,
4860 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, California

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 6:31.
- 2) **ROLL CALL** – All Directors Present: Lee, Markham, Potter, and Raskoff (Ward 2 seat vacant)
- 3) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Upon motion by Director Lee, seconded by Director Potter, the agenda was unanimously approved.
- 4) **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – General Manager Eric Morgan introduced the District’s new Procurement and Contract Technician Damian Bye who started on December 8.
 - Bruce Delgado shared slides of recent volunteer activities conducted by Citizens for Sustainable Marina at Locke-Paddon Wetland Community Park (Locke-Paddon).
- 5) **CONSENT ITEMS** – Upon motion by Director Lee, seconded by Director Potter, Items A and B were unanimously approved. After discussion as noted below and upon motion by Director Potter, seconded by Director Markham, item C was also unanimously approved.
 - A. **Approval of Summary of Payments** (*S. Parker*)
 - B. **Approval to Amend Agreement with the Resource Conservation District of Monterey County to Implement Portions of the Carmel Valley Strategic Fuel Break Project at Hatton Canyon Open Space Preserve** (*J. Carpenter*)
 - C. **Accept Lowest Bid from BNO Builders and Award Contract for Palo Corona Regional Park Discovery Center Exterior Door Replacement Project** (*S. Peña*)
 - Director Potter asked whether it’s a common occurrence for bids to come in at the same price and noted that it would be a good idea to develop a policy around, to address this situation in the future.
- 6) **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM – Consideration of 2026 Board Review of Officers and Appointments** (*S. Parker*)
 - Administrative Services Manager Shuran Parker introduced the item and requested Board discussion and action.
 - For Board officers: After discussion and upon motion by Director Lee, seconded by Director Markham the appointed for President, Monta Potter; for Vice President, Jeffrey Markham and for Secretary/Treasurer, Kathleen Lee.
 - For Committees: After discussion and upon motion by Director Lee, seconded by Director Markham, the Board maintained existing assignments-Community Outreach, Markham

- and Potter; Finance, Lee and Raskoff; Monuments, Art & Exhibits, Potter and Raskoff; Personnel, Lee and Potter; Real Property/Land Use & Management, Lee and Markham.
- For other assignments: After discussion and upon motion by Director Markham, seconded by Director Potter, Laguna Grande Joint Powers Authority, Raskoff; Special Districts Association of Monterey County, Lee
 - Assignments are subject to change after the new Ward 2 Director has been appointed and takes office.
- 7) DIVISION REPORTS** – All Division reports are informational only and may be written or oral.
- A. Monthly Financial Report** (*S. Parker*)
 - B. Mid-Month Staff Report** (*E. Morgan*)
 - C. MPRPD Citizen Oversight Committee Annual Report** (*S. Parker*)
- Director Potter recommended that we invite committee members to attend a Board meeting.
- 8) IDENTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS** – President Raskoff introduced the Closed Session items and solicited public comment.
- A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2). Two potential cases.**
 - B. Instruction to Real Property Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 A.P.N. 033-121-010, 033-121-004, 033-132-005, 033-132-002, 033-132-003, 033-121-002, 033-121-006 and others; Commonly known as Locke-Paddon Wetland Community Park (District Negotiators: Morgan and Wisdom-Stack) (Under negotiation: terms and conditions)**
 - C. Instruction to Real Property Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 A.P.N. . 015-162-009, 015-162-048; Commonly known as Rancho Cañada Ventures, LLC (District Negotiators: Morgan and Wisdom-Stack) (Under negotiation: terms and conditions)**
- 9) PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION** (Item 8-B) Stephen Lee spoke in support of improvements at Locke-Paddon, including an Asian American garden.
- Cris Perry also spoke in support of having an Asian American garden at Locke-Paddon.
- 10)ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION** – Closed Session began at 7:13 and ended at 9:06.
- 11)REPORT ON RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION** – Nothing to report.
- 12)ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 9:06.



Shuran Parker, Recording Secretary