

# Meeting Minutes

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CHRISTMAS VALLEY PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT, DBA

North Lake Park and Recreation District

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Valley Park and Recreation Office

## Opening Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by

Also present were:

Ken Kessner

Board Chairperson, Ron Wilson

Board Member, Jack Mason

Board Member, Glenna Wade

Board Member, Barbara Ferrando

and Office Manager Lisa Cooper

## TIMED ITEMS:

9:00 a.m. -Budget Session Called to Order

Minutes from October 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 was read by Glenna Wade.

Motion made by Glenna Wade and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barbara Ferrando to except the Minutes

3 ayes and 1 abstain by members present: on the Minutes

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## Budget Report/Finical Report

No New Bills

Motion made by Ron Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenna Wade to except the Budget/Finical Report

3 ayes and 1 abstain by members present:

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## Public Input

Ken Kessner: I have always been interested in what can we do to get better faculties for kids. I have been so busy in the past but now I have some free time. I would like to know what I can do to help out with .

Glenna: Me personally would love to regular events like other parks and recreation places do. I would like to see a place for kids to play like soccer and tee ball . I think what it all comes down to is financing.

Ken Kessner: We have a school 11 miles away and they have the facility but then again that's still 11 miles away.

Glenna: And they (School) are not super friendly about the use of it.

Ken Kessner: So where would you put it?

Glenna: We have a Multipurpose Field that has a baseball diamond on it, and there is plenty more of it that can be developed in to a little of everything.

Ken Kessner: So grants come with a match but if we can get something to run through Parks and Recreation and do some fundraising I would be happy to help.

Ron Wilson: A few years back we put in a grant and it was under the Medical or something to put in a walk path for exercise path for both the elderly and the young mothers who don't get out much.

Ken Kessner : I remember that you wanted to put in a paved path like around the golf course or lake? Around the lake there is supposed to be public land strips

Ron Wilson: There is a 50 foot easement (referring to around other properties on the lake).

Glenna Wade: But I think that was many years before our phase.

Ron Wilson: We own a lot of the property around the lake

Ken Kessner: Even if you go half way around the lake its better then zero around.

Ron Wilson: The one that we designed had something to do with the resident or children's funding.

Glenna Wade: It was a Healthy something and you was part of that conversation through CHIP

Ken Kessner: We have Frances Winters who is a bull dog and I can try to recruit her for helping to write grants

Glenna Wade: That would be great.

Ken Kessner: I did have some folks comment about the trail down the golf course and flying projectiles, golf balls and things like that.

Glenna Wade: So, there is another project. We are working on absorbing another amity and it has 40 acres. I have had a lot of people come to me and ask if we are doing that and offer to help clearing trails, paths. They are willing to make bike trails, One guy who is a Veteran knew there was some VET dollars if you do like a memorial park thing that would allow you to use some of that money to develop it into a community park too, so there's not the projectiles there and there's a lot of land there. 40 acres it has a well for park grass and it has part of a baseball diamond on it.

Ken Kessner: You guys have ownership of that?

Glenna Wade: We are working on it. But the entity is no longer it's kinda defunked , they would really like to get rid of the land and I would really like to turn it into a entity that kinda sums up to our resources in this community as apposed to going through Lakeview. So that we have the opportunity to manage are own dollars and things like that, so its something I kinda have a passion for. So its hurry up and wait. They have no intention of developing it any further then it has already went.

Ken Kessner: Now my recollection is that is was going to be a baseball field something like that.

Glenna Wade: It was, the fencing is still there its just it never got finished and a lot of it had to do with money to like run the pump to create the grass, it was costing them a \$1000.00 a month.

Ken Kessner: So if you acquire it whats your budget?

Glenna Wade: Part of the problem is that it has a 60 hp pump for watering is over kill and I am sure that some of them things can be rectified to make it cheaper.

Ken Kessner: Donate it to a farmer and have him donate something smaller. Well I wanted to touch bases with you guys on another matter, I wanted to see what I may be able to facilitate.

Glenna Wade: Actuality I think one of our goals is to expand the district. Witch would bring in more revenue, our district is small compared to what we service. If we was to match the school district we could have more revenue and have more money for like the little tikes activities too, I think that would be pretty cool.

Ken Kessner: I know the health district has talked about a facility for year round for basket ball and things like that year round. Year round is needed I would just like for the kids to be taken care of also.

Who is primary person?

Glenna Wade: Ron is our Chairperson

Ken Kessner: Let me do some more investigation and see what we can come up with. We will stay in touch and I will do some snooping round. The biggest thing is coming up with cost estimates and things of that nature. Frances is my partner in crime and she would have been here but she had other obligations. The children our our future leaders.

Glenna Wade: Our Population is grown and there are going to be a lot more kids. It would be just amazing if we could build a big giant Community center that did everything. We could have meetings in there, could play basket ball in indoor roller hockey. The district has there own ideas. We kinda talked about if we all went together. A community center would be able to maybe help with others getting GED's on line. Maybe College on line things along this line.

Ken Kessner: Anyways, I just wanted to stop in and see where you all was at as far about the kids and things and see if I could help.

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Other Business:

Rodeo Grounds:

Glenna Wade: Shara sent me a thing the other day. This is something Lisa should watch. Anyways, there are a bunch of bleachers and I am sure they need some repairs but last time I looked at them they were asking \$150.00. (Bleachers are in Douglas County.)

Ron Wilson: Anything over 3 foot has to have railings.

Glenna Wade: Yeah they are like old school, and they are probably about 3 to 4 feet high, but ya know it doesn't really matter because they will have to have railings, But if it cost only a couple hundred bucks we could put \$200.00 into them.

Ron Wilson: On the bleachers we have over there, the quickest way right now is to put some cyclone fencing up, welded wire and strap that to the railing, that will cost about \$200.00 to do that. I was over to the grounds because they was having a horse show over there and the water was still on. So I guess I will talk to them about when they are going to shut it off. I will call the guy who did the rocks and see what he says about killing the weeds not to hurt anything.

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Library:

Ron Wilson: We received the contract that was the biggest thing on the library. I have informed them what they have to do as far as the inspection we had. I said that maybe we could print up a couple of signs that say "EXIT" and "THIS IS NOT A EXIT" (Lisa will do this) any door needs a sign. They have a door there that is not a door. I told them about the clutter and that they cant have it there it was a fire hazard. She (Julie) stated they can't stop that, I said yes you can, there are piles of papers and magazines.

Glenna Wade: They have a dumpster

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Community Hall:

Barbara Ferrando: I didn't find any in there. I found the cream color but not the red.

Ron Wilson: I'll talk to Shara about that she might remember the mix

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Airport:

Ron Wilson: We just finished rebuilding the brush-hog yesterday and I would like to use Connor over at the Airport to do a final cut. It will be a couple four hour days that would satisfy. We are starting to get some growth back and I don't know if I should spray it or pull it. My problem kinda right now is that we lost the Community Service Program, so that's going to slow us down. They have some

people over in Silver Lake but I can't afford to drive over and then take them back. So anyways, I have a couple of guys coming over and we are going to rototill the playground up.

Glenna Wade: I noticed that some of the playground equipment was gone. Did the rest of it get pulled?

Jack Mason: Before we move off the Airport. Did you ever get a chance to talk to Ralph about putting a clause in there about the rates? Probably should talk to the board about this anyways because its going to come up anyhow. I talked to Ron about putting a max. amount that the rates can increase from one contract to the next. I'm sure that no one here would want to go crazy about raising the rates on the Airport, But ya know we are not going to be the Board forever so ya know. I worry about it going from \$300.00 to \$3,000.00 ya know from one contract to the next. That would pretty much drive Aviation out of the Airport.

Glenna Wade: I think you have a valid point as to the changing of the community and the Board. We have some people that are interested in the Board and well they are just different.

Ron Wilson: And I think its a good idea too also if we have a little protection there. They FAA kinda tells us what we can do on that about what we can charge.

Jack Mason: Its not only that, but if 3 member decide to go crazy and raise the rates, then your opening yourselves up to a lawsuit, because it decreases the property value on the Airport. You know the rates are.

Glenna Wade: So do you have like a proposed percentage or whatever?

Jack Mason: I don't know per year. I know that property taxes can go up what 3% per year?

Glenna Wade: Even if we to go up 50% we would be looking at what \$175.00 a year?

Jack Mason: It would go to \$450.00

Glenna Wade: Well it would still be more reasonable. More reasonable then \$3000 a year right

Ron Wilson: I kinda like the idea of a percentage.

Jack Mason: I would too.. but not 50%

Glenna Wade: That would be kind of beneficial to us, let them know that hey this is what happens every year. We are horrible about raising things.

Jack Mason: Well the way the contract is written now its a 5 year contract at the current rate with a option to renew at the end at the new rate. Might be easier to say like its a 10% increase at the end of the 5 year contract.

Glenna Wade: I think that would work. It is a 5 year contract. The contract needs to be rewritten. Just have Ralph

Ron Wilson: This needs to be looked at in more detail

Jack Mason: That's if Park and Recreation still owns the airport. What if Park and Recreation was to sell the Airport, are they going to compensate the people for the loss of property value? Because whoever buys the Airport isn't going to assume the through the fence.

Ron Wilson: Not necessarily

Jack Mason: Well if they don't have the property value is gone just like that.

Ron Wilson: Our biggest threat for through the fence is nation wide not necessarily the fed itself.

Jack Mason: I looked at all of this before I bought that (his home) place, I looked at what Ralph had done, and it was a act of Congress saying that they couldn't shut it down, because it would open the FAA up to law suites.

Glenna Wade: Okay so it is a 5 year contract

Ron Wilson: Okay so if you want to put something in writing so Ralph has something to work with at 10% at the end of 5 years.

Glenna Wade: Didn't Ralph write that contract? Just have him change it to show the increase of the 10% after 5 years.

Ron Wilson: Well we could do that, we will have him (Ralph) look at it and if you (Jack) want to sit in and tell him what you want. We will have to get a okay from the FAA too.

Glenna Wade: Can we fix the gate? The gate drags and we are going to need a winch to pull it shut.

Jack Mason: Isn't there a grant with the FAA that would cover a automatic gate or something like that?

Ron Wilson: We could do a grant. The one grant said it was 100% financed but when I got down to the really small print it said you have to pay for it first then they pay you back. You just have to read the fine print.

Glenna Wade: Didn't we face that before? .

Ron Wilson: Yes, but I think the reason they do that is because no airports in Oregon that could do that, so Oregon has known that and I'm thinking that the major Airports do it because if they don't spend the money it goes back to the bigger airports that have the major funds.

Motion made by Glenna Wade and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barbara Ferrando. To the increase with a maximum of up to 10% every 5 years and we have a new contract to show that, and to check into a automatic gate.

All ayes by members present:

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## Lake:

Glenna Wade: Could you please , pretty please start cleaning the Penninsula, I know community workers are kinda defunked right now? So we can put some picnic tables up there and start doing some family orientated things up there. And did you know you can cut sagebrush with a saw-zaw.

Ron Wilson: Should we start the burning again? We don't have any community service people.

Glenna Wade: We have some young kids over at the fire department that could come and do it. Did we try the salt?

Ron Wilson: Yes but the salt didn't work and I got a pretty good kick back from people and they didn't like that.

Glenna Wade: You know what I have heard more nonsense in the last month in a half about apparently some people weren't aware that we had a Airport or Lakes and so they are thinking I'm the one to contact.

Ron Wilson: One thing I'm probably getting hammered on is the social media its getting big now Glenna is into it, Lisa is into it.

Lisa Cooper: I don't get to see a lot of it cause people have blocked me, Glenna is the only one that is not blocked.

Glenna Wade: Yeah I'm the only one that isn't blocked.

Ron Wilson: Talking to Lisa who blocked you?

Lisa Cooper: That Ellen and her daughter I thought it was funny.

Ron Wilson: What does it mean when you get blocked?

Glenna Wade: It's where they can go on and talk all kinds of crap about you but you cant see it.

Ron Wilson: The more I hear the more I don't like social media. People are different when they have to talk to you face to face. They can say what ever when sitting behind a computer.

Glenna Wade: We do have Facebook pages and its totally correct, You go on you post your events for your community, public opinion poles it is appropriate to post those things on there and there is no reason not too. That's how it works they get all the information on Facebook. What that other stuff was is just a lack of education on things, like going back to re-event the wheel. If you go back and read the minutes for a decade you will see that everything you are complaining about has already been tried. And its not about for the lack of trying its the lack of success on the attempts, but they. Ellen was suppose to come up with a plan and come back to the board with that plan. Well she posted on Facebook the other day Who's going? But I see shes not here. We could use some people on a committee but not the nonsense stuff.

## Multipurpose Field:

## Desert Whisper:

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### Golf Course:

I think we got everything done that needed to be done. Fixed everything and everything that needed to be gone is gone, We finished that up yesterday. Jack has had kinda of a plan for purchasing lawnmowers and things. Warm Spring was to get back to us, But never did. But Jack came up with the idea with Warm Springs.

Jack Mason: Well this is the time of the year between now and the start of Golf season. Golf courses will be evaluating their stuff and seeing about selling and trading. I expect to find something before the start of next season. Now that its already been approved, the money to spend I had found one a few weeks ago well two of them, I have a call in I'm not sure if the one is still sold or not but the one I was going to look at I couldn't get a hold of enough people and I didn't want to take it upon myself and I can't afford to fly over to Idaho Falls just to look at a machine and then I get back and am stuck having to pay for the gas. I looked at several places and the ones I seen there are pretty good size in Idaho Springs and they sell a lot of machines, their the ones that had the last one that I looked at in the Spring. But, I don't want to buy anything site unseen, so if we can per-approve like \$200.00 or \$250.00 in gas if they come up with a good deal. That way I can just jump in the plane and go.

Glenna Wade: I think my only problem with that is if you fly there look at it and say yeah we need this so you fly back get the truck and have to drive back, so my theory is you drive there and if it's a great deal you rent a trailer, a u-haul what ever then you kinda kill two birds with one stone.

Jack Mason: Well that's true but, if you have to drive there and get a hotel. With the plane its like 2 hours. Are you going to go?(asked of Glenna)

Glenna Wade: Well I am more to approve a hotel and sure I will go. How long is the flight

Jack Mason: 2 hours each way

Glenna Wade: How long is the drive?

Jack Mason: 8 hours each way

Ron Wilson: What do you think it cost ? First of all, When we passed the other one I think we was going through a fiscal year . Do we wanna update that? It was really on a item that was like 15 thousand and then that included maybe a few golf carts. So should we make a motion for a fund for travel to look for equipment?

Jack Mason: When these things come up I thought with the plane I could be there in a couple of hours.

Glenna Wade: No we didn't that was in like July or August. How much is airplane fuel?

Jack Mason: \$ 4.50 to \$ 7.00 a gallon depending on where you go.

Glenna Wade: What happened to being done with maintenance stuff by the first of the month?

Ron Wilson: Well we had a lot of repairs, and didn't want to wait til spring and say well shoot its not working. So we went ahead and put new blades on the brush hog, took it out there and you remember that piece that fell off when Conner went out there? The new blades are 6 inches longer so were cutting a foot more with the new blades. We had to re-weld that and there was a few other cracks, yesterday one of the braces broke so we had to go back. When down to the shop and manufactured that so its sitting there all ready to go.

Glenna Wade: I think that's another thing that should be on our list to buy, is a bigger tractor with a PTO to run a bigger brush hog as well. We could do bigger projects some of them faster. There is enough of them around here, I know where a set up is its a little bit newer but it has the PTO it has the bigger brush hog and I might be able to talk to the guy into selling it. But it is something we need to keep on our list to do.

Ron Wilson: That's another point that tractor it starts but its starting to pull its a 1960's something. If we blow it up in the season. Its been smoking and leaking oil.

Motion made by Jack Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenna Wade to Approve up to \$250.00 for travel expenses for buying Golf Equipment.

All ayes by members present:

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Office:

Sage Hen Bill. There is a dispute over who is going to pay the bill. Patty's office wanted to know if we planed on just writing it off because we are probably never going to get paid.

Glenna Wade: I am so tired of hearing that. No, somebody needs to pay that bill.

Lisa Cooper: I guess the people we have been billing have something Notarized saying they was released from all past present and future bills. So, if your in a business now does it work that you buy things and are not responsible for them?

Ron Wilson: I look at it a different way. A lot of people around here are bullet proof so the question is how can we make it so this don't happen again? Well You.

Lisa Cooper: Okay so what do you want to do about this bill? Bill them both?

Glenna Wade: I don't give a crap bill them both.

Ron Wilson: Who was the person that ordered the ad?

Lisa Cooper: I was not here then and have no clue, It was Sage-hen so who ever was running it then

Glenna Wade: It doesn't really matter to me cause this bill was from at least 12-31-2017 and this agreement was signed April 2018.

Lisa Cooper: I know that's what I was asking. How can you do this after the fact?

Jack Mason: In the agreement here it says they are giving up the 2/3s ownership of the business in exchange of him taking over all the debits.

Glenna Wade: Okay but this bill says: this back part is notarized by Patty's office and he took the responsibility of the bills.

Lisa Cooper: Okay so we are going to bill Louie?

Ron Wilson: We should have Ralph look at this and have Patty bill Louie.

Glenna Wade: Who does a contract in this font?

Lisa Cooper: Someone who thinks that its cute, someone doing it at their home.

Glenna Wade: Somebody needs to pay the bill. I am tired of writing things off. Bill them all. He let a bunch of girls talk him into something that was not going to benefit him what so ever. I'm sorry but once you have taken a path that is not traveled.

Ron Wilson: I'm at a point that yes we are responsible to our district lets do what we have to do here.

Lisa Cooper: Okay so do we go after the person who has the business license?

Glenna Wade: What is up with our computers, they don't work. Monitors are missing the plugs.

Does that monitor work and Lisa needs to spend one hour a week dusting. And what is up with the web page. I will stop and see Shara and see whats up.

Ron Wilson: We should be hearing about the grants soon.

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**Closing:**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted by: Lisa Cooper

Approved by the NLPRD Board on