



**Napa County Regional Park  
and Open Space District**

Harold Kelly—Vice President  
Director Ward One

Tony Norris  
Director Ward Two

Guy Kay  
Director Ward Three

Dave Finigan—President  
Director Ward Four

Myrna Abramowicz  
Director Ward Five

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Monday January 9, 2011 2:00 P.M.  
1195 Third Street, Third Floor, Napa, CA 94559

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order.

**Directors present: Dave Finigan, Guy Kay, Tony Norris, Harold Kelly and Myrna Abramowicz**

**Staff present: John Woodbury, Chris Apallas, Chris Cahill, Sarah Minahen**

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Set Matters

A. Presentation on Napa County Bicycle Master Plan

**Eliot Hurwitz and Paul Wagner of NCTPA Bicycle Advisory Committee gave the report. Goal is to have 10% of trips in Napa by bicycle and make paths more accessible and safe. They hope to ensure that every park, school and library is accessible by bicycle.**

- B. Presentation on Permanent Federal Protection for the Berryessa-Snow Mountain Region  
**Carole Kunze, Executive Director of Berryessa Trails & Conservation introduced the item. Sara Husby-Good, Exec Director of Tuleyome gave the presentation. Tuleyome, which means "deep home place" was founded in 2002 as a volunteer advocacy-oriented nonprofit organization that is focused on protecting both the wild and agricultural heritages of the Inner Coastal Range and the Western Sacramento Valley for current and future generations.**

**Tuleyome is working on a proposal to designate the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Conservation Area (BSM NCA). The goals of the Berryessa Snow Mountain NCA are to:**

- **Protect the conservation resources of the region**
- **Enhance public recreation consistent with protecting the conservation resources**
- **Sustain the working landscape and its economic viability**

- Help local economies

An NCA designation would result in:

- Congress stating that these lands are important
- Require development of a multi-agency comprehensive regional management plan,
- Establish a public advisory committee
- Focus conservation and management dollars for the region

They are hoping for a legislative bill to be introduced sometime this year and there is great support for this. They have received three resolutions of support from the cities of Clearlake, Winters & Davis. 38 elected officials support the effort as well as 100 businesses, 2000 individuals. The project is definitely gaining steam.

#### 4. Administrative Items

- A. Election of Board Officers for 2012.  
Chair Abramowicz presented the item. Thanks to John Woodbury, Chino, Chris Cahill. Many good efforts in 2011. Motion to appoint Tony Norris to Chair and Harold Kelly to Vice-Chair.  
**MA-DF-HK-GK-TN**
- B. Consideration and potential approval of Minutes of Board of Directors meeting of December 14, 2011.  
**Approved as presented.**  
**MA-DF-HK-GK-TN**
- C. Update and potential direction to staff regarding the planned closure of Bothe-Napa Valley State Park and the Bale Grist Mill State Historic Park, and the District's proposal to operate the two parks in partnership with the Napa Valley State Parks Association (oral report).  
**John Woodbury gave the report. Still no signed agreement. State would like to see both agreements signed simultaneously. Steps are being taken to be ready by April 1. Meetings are happening with HR to create positions we will need. Also working with State Parks.**
- D. Update on opening the Napa River and Bay Trail Phase I (oral report).  
**John Woodbury gave the report.**
- E. Consideration and potential approval of amendment to By-Laws to change the time of Board Officer elections.  
**Director Abramowicz presented the item. The Board voted to amend By-Laws to move Board Officer elections to the end of the December meeting.**  
**DF-HK-GK-MA-TN**
- F. Receipt of report on expenditures, encumbrances, donations and grants approved by the General Manager.

John Woodbury gave the report.

- G. Review of the District Projects Status Report.  
**John Woodbury gave the report with discussions on Blue Ridge Berryessa Trail, Camp Berryessa, Moore Creek, Skyline Park and Spanish Valley/Crystal Flats**

5. Announcements by Board and Staff

- ▶ Keith Caldwell will be stepping in as chair at BOS meeting
- ▶ Happy Birthday for American Canyon, celebrating 20 years
- ▶ Dave Finigan - will not be in attendance at February meeting. Out of country.
- ▶ Tony Norris – definite direction to co-locate Vine Trail up to So. edge of Napa Pipe project.
- ▶ Myrna Abramowicz – January 19 is Bay Area Plan at Napa Elks Club

6. Agenda Planning

In this time period, members of the Board of Directors and staff will discuss matters for possible consideration at future meetings. No action will be taken by the Board other than whether and when to agendaize such matters, unless specifically noted otherwise.

**John Woodbury mentioned that the NCTPA Bike Plan may be ready for February or March meeting.**


Next Board Meeting: Monday, February 6, 2012, 2:00 p.m., 1195 Third Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
Flyway Festival: February 10-12, 2012

7. Adjournment

**Meeting adjourned to next regular meeting of February 6, 2012.**

  
TONY NORRIS, Board President

ATTEST:

  
SARAH MINAHEN, Acting District Secretary

Key

Vote: HK = Harold Kelly; TN = Tony Norris; GK = Guy Kay; DF = David Finigan; MA = Myrna Abramowicz

The maker of the motion and second are reflected respectively in the order of the recorded vote.

Notations under vote: N = No; A = Abstain; X = Excused

