

The Rohner Community Recreation and Park District Board was re-established on July 11, 2018 in Fortuna.

The Mission of Rohner Community Recreation and Park District is to offer and advocate for recreational opportunities for residents within the District's region.

Before the re-establishment of this Board, the City of Fortuna acted as the decision-making body. The funds collected from the Rohner Community property taxes are used for park improvements.

The District Board is authorized to take action in support of the mission. This may include, to promote, organize, establish, own, maintain and operate systems of recreation and recreation facilities including, but not limited to parks, and open space, both inside and outside the District's boundaries. Aquatic recreational activities are the District's first, but not exclusive priority.

The Board of Directors are appointed officials with (2) members appointed by The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, and (3) members appointed by the City of Fortuna. The Board is responsible for overall policy, direction and finances of the District.

The new Board consists of:

Shawn Coleman, Jacque Debets, Becky Giacomini, Denise Marshall and Abe Stevens

The Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at 2:30 pm at City Hall in Fortuna.

All Board meetings are open to the public, and we encourage any interested community members to attend.

These 5 appointed members are dedicated to enhancing the recreational activities and facilities in the Eel River Valley. The re-establishment of the Rohner Community Recreation and Park District was encouraged by the City of Fortuna when interested Fortuna residents started to inquire about the possibility of building a Community Pool.

Community Pools have many proven benefits, improving health and wellness, recreation and sports opportunities, contributing to the local economy and most importantly promoting water safety.

Prop 68 which is the State of California Parks and Water Bond was passed in June of 2018. Part of the language of Prop 68 states funding will be used to develop future recreational opportunities. Each Recreation and Park District will receive one- time monies starting in 2019.

Humboldt County in the recent past has lost 3 community pools, Eureka High School, College of the Redwoods and Scotia Recreation.

Would the Eel River Valley support a community pool? The Rohner Community Recreation and Park District Board wants to pursue that question with a feasibility study of the possibility of building a community pool in our area.

The result of that study will be the basis for discussion going forward.

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Becky Giacomini for Community Comment