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Board appoints new Director to fill vacancy
Committee to support Fourth of July Celebration kicks off

LIVERMORE — At its meeting Wednesday night, the Board of Directors for the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District selected a new director to fill the vacancy on the Board. Robert J. Coomber Jr., a loan adjustments manager for a credit union and a long-time open space and trails advocate, is the newest member of the Board.



According to procedure, the Board interviewed three candidates at the meeting and selected Bob Coomber, who was sworn in and took his place on the Board effective immediately. He will hold office until the November 2012 election when the seat will be up for election and the successful candidate will serve the remainder of the term, which expires in December 2014.

Prior to the Board meeting, about 20 citizens held a kick-off meeting for a community action group composed of interested residents to explore bringing back a Fourth of July Celebration for Livermore. People stepped up to take leadership roles and talked about keeping the celebration at Robertson Park, with the goal of holding a 2012 event through the help of fundraising and volunteer efforts. For those interested in joining the community action group, e-mail livermorefireworks@gmail.com.

Also on Wednesday night, the Board adopted a resolution amending Ordinance 8, the District's Rules and Regulations governing conduct and use of parks and other facilities. Periodic updates are required to the District Rules and Regulations to reflect revisions in federal, state and county laws; to clarify or correct existing rules and regulations; and to add provisions for new District facilities, programs or services. New amendments include adding details regarding the new off-leash dog area and planned artificial turf fields for Robertson Park. The amended ordinance will become effective 30 days from the date of approval, with a summary of the amendments to be published in the local newspaper, on the LARPD website and at the District office.

In addition, Ralph Sherman, president of the LARPD Foundation, gave a presentation to the Board discussing fundraising efforts in support of the District. The public can support the LARPD foundation through donations, and access information on the LARPD website.

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