

The Board Meeting, which was held on February 17, 2009 at the Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA, was called to order at 12:50 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Ted Radke, President
Beverly Lane, Treasurer
Carol Severin, Secretary
Ayn Wieskamp
John Sutter
Whitney Dotson

Directors Absent: Doug Siden, Vice President

At this time, the Board of Directors met in Closed Session to discuss those items outlined on the Closed Session Board Meeting Agenda.

The Open Session of the Board Meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Bob Doyle, Tim Anderson, Mike Anderson, Anne Scheer, Carol Victor, Rosemary Cameron, John Escobar, Diane Althoff, Shelly Lewis, Carol Johnson, Mimi Waluch, Jack Kenny, Deborah Spaulding, Jeff Rasmussen, Brian Wiese, Doug Bell, Jim Townsend, Liz Musbach, Anne Rockwell,

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of Director Wieskamp, seconded by Director Severin, the Agenda was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors absent: Doug Siden

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments at this time.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Director Sutter, seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors absent: Doug Siden

C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of January 17, 2009 Through February 6, 2009
Resolution No. 2009-2-033 (attached)

- C-I-b. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2009-2-034 (attached)
- C-I-c. Authorization to Amend Sections 7.01 and 17.01 of the Personnel Administrative Manual
Resolution No. 2009-2-035 (attached)
- C-I-d. Authorization to Approve Contract for Consultant Services for an Administrative Draft Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan, East Contra Costa County
Resolution No. 2009-2-036 (attached)

In response to a question by Director Sutter, Chief of Planning/Stewardship Brian Wiese stated that while the scope of the area is co-terminus with the existing ECCCHCP, this item only covers land that the District currently owns and manages in existing parks. President Radke mentioned that there will be a discussion at the Board Legislative Committee to try to get the deadlines mentioned in the report extended.

- C-I-e. Authorization to Accept a Grant of Recreational Trail Easement and Water Line Easement from Bryan Ranch Homeowners Association: Las Trampas to Mt. Diablo Regional Trail
Resolution No. 2009-2-037 (attached)
- C-I-f. Authorization to Amend Capital Project Budget for Castle Rock Concession Repair
Resolution No. 2009-2-038 (attached)
- C-I-g. Authorization to Amend the 2009 Budget and Transfer Salary to Services Funds in the Mussel Program OTA Project Account and Encumber Funds
Resolution No. 2009-2-039 (attached)
- C-I-h. Authorization to Purchase One CXT Cascadian Double Restroom: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2009-2-040 (attached)
- C-I-i. Approval of Grant Application and Acceptance of Two Oil Spill Response Trailers from the California Office of Spill Prevention and Response
Resolution No. 2009-2-041 (attached)
- C-I-j. Authorization to Transfer Funds Between Fire Fuels Management Accounts in the East Bay Hills to Reconcile Project Budget Sources and Expenditures
Resolution No. 2009-2-042 (attached)
- C-I-k. Authorization to Remove Certain Fixed Assets from District Financial Records
Resolution No. 2009-2-043 (attached)
- C-I-l. Authorization to Adopt a Geocaching Policy
Resolution No. 2009-2-044 (attached)
- C-I-m. Authorization to Transfer Funds to Comply with GASB Asset Recording Requirements for Eastshore State Park and Redwood Regional Park
Resolution No. 2009-2-045 (attached)

C-1-n. Authorization to Purchase Vehicles Through the State of California Procurement Division/State Bid Process
Resolution No. 2009-2-046 (attached)

2. LAND DIVISION

C-2-a. Approval of an Agreement for the Settlement of a Title between the East Bay Regional Park District and the California State Lands Commission and Authorization to Reconvey a Public Trust Easement and Accept the State's Quitclaimed Interest in Certain Real Property: Martinez Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2009-2-047 (attached)

Moved by Director Radke, seconded by Director Lane, item C-2-a was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors absent: Doug Siden

Regional Trails Program Manager Jim Townsend gave a presentation on this item;

C-2-b. Authorization to Accept from C & H Sugar Company, Inc., the Donation of Fee Interest in Approximately 0.17 Acres of Real Property, and to Transfer Funds Therefor: Crockett Hills Regional Park
Resolution No. 2009-2-048 (attached)

Moved by Director Radke, seconded by Director Lane, item C-2-b was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors absent: Doug Siden

AGM for Land Acquisition Bob Doyle gave a presentation on this item, stating that the District is very appreciative of the C & H Sugar Company donation and continues to be a good partner. He mentioned that C & H also sold 2,000 acres (now Crockett Hills) to the District about 15 years ago.

The Board was unanimous in its appreciation of the donation by C & H and asked staff that a letter of appreciation be sent.

3. PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP DIVISION

C-3-a. Authorization to Transfer Funds, Reallocate Funds and Accept the Bid for Construction of Swim Lagoon and Water System Upgrades: Don Castro Regional Recreation Area
Resolution No. 2009-2-049 (attached)

Moved by Director Severin, seconded by Director Sutter, item C-3-a was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors absent: Doug Siden

A brief presentation was given by Design and Construction Chief Diane Althoff.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORT

C-4-a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

GM Pat O'Brien spoke about the current status of the California State Budget negotiations, as well the item listed on the report.

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Diane Althoff, Chief of Design and Construction, gave a presentation on the Division's completed projects from the past year.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

7. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. CCSDA Minutes (10/20/08) (Siden)
- b. Finance Committee (1/28/09) (Lane)

Director Sutter's question on the CAMP investment was referred to AGM Dave Collins for clarification.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- In January, attended meetings of the Operations Committee and the LARPD Liaison Committee;
- Attended the Elected Women's meeting;
- With Director Severin, met with the Bruce McGregor and Ken Underhill of the railroad group about cooperatively working towards having a storage building. She spoke about the possibility of moving the Brown House;
- Attended a meeting of the 100 Club – a group that helps widows and orphans of police and fire personnel killed in the line of duty;
- Attended a presentation of the Tri-Valley Conservancy, with Botanic Garden Supervisor Steve Edwards in attendance;
- Mentioned a news item regarding the possible elimination of the California Conservation Corps due to the State budget problem, and asked that the District lend its support to this organization.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Agreed that the District should lend its support to the California Conservation Corps and asked that it be placed on the Legislative Committee agenda;
- Attended a hike at Pt. Isabel;
- Attended a meeting of the Lake Merritt Breakfast Club, with AGM for Public Affairs Rosemary Cameron as speaker on the District's 75th Anniversary;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference with Directors Severin and Siden, and mentioned a development planned for the area next to the Masonic Home next to Garin/Meyers Estate and suggested that the District be involved in the discussions;
- With Director Dotson met with Ms. Fern Tiger regarding the City of Albany's shoreline development plans;

- Met with Oakland Zoo representatives, together with Director Siden and District staff, regarding their need for additional sources of funding and a proposal for the creation of a zone of benefit within the District.

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Conducted park visits to Las Trampas as well as Osage Station Park in Danville, where she found links to the Iron Horse Trail;
- Went to Martinez to visit Grangers Wharf (can use additional signs);
- Visited the Alviso – Adobe Park in Pleasanton;
- Attended the Mayors Conference in Danville;
- Stated the importance of the District being responsive to Native American descendants/other resources whenever there are projects in sensitive areas within the District;
- Stated that she would like to see the Bay Nature Magazine articles be printed with the District's 75th anniversary cover – the editor indicated problems generating the articles for the District and will be discussing further with AGM of Operations John Escobar.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the ABAG Regional Planning Committee meeting, where there was a discussion regarding the housing crisis;
- Attended the meeting with the railroad group at Ardenwood with Director Wieskamp;
- Together with HR Officer Sonja Stanchina, met with USF staff regarding the District's Internship Program;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference with Directors Siden and Sutter;
- Stated that the Willow Park Golf Course Restaurant's name has been changed to Paradiso;
- Asked that a light be installed on the Board room podium to assist speakers.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended a meeting with Berkeley Mayor Tom Butts regarding the future of the North Richmond Shoreline, which he will continue to monitor. He will have another meeting on February 27.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Hosted the Open House of the District's 75th Anniversary Exhibit at the Contra Costa Museum, together with Hulet Hornbeck, Traci Parent and Jerry Kent;
- Will be attending a meeting of the Carquinez Preservation Trust on February 18;
- Received a phone call from Contra Costa County Supervisor Susan Bonilla to give her support for the use of Segways on District trails.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments at this time.

E. ADJOURNMENT

General Manager Pat O'Brien distributed material regarding the upcoming NRPA Legislative Forum for the Board to review prior to a more extension discussion at the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2009-2-033 to 2009-2-046, Board Committee Reports