

The Board Meeting, which was held on February 3, 2009 at the Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA, was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Ted Radke, President
Doug Siden, Vice-President
Beverly Lane, Treasurer
Carol Severin, Secretary
John Sutter
Whitney Dotson

Directors Absent: Ayn Wieskamp.

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 2:03 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Bob Doyle, Nancy Wenninger, Mike Anderson, Ken Blonski, Diane Althoff, Rosemary Cameron, Carol Johnson, Shelly Lewis, John Escobar, Jack Kenny, Mimi Waluch, Anne Scheer, Carol Victor, Neal Fujita, Larry Moss, Liz Musbach, Jeff Wilson, Isa Polte-Jones, Susan Gonzales, Jeff Rasmussen, Larry Tong, Mark Pearson, Brad Olson, Jim Townsend,

2:00 p.m. OPEN SESSION

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robert Todd, PIDO representatives Sylvia Falcon and Eleanor Yukic, and Mary Selva, President of the Richmond Annex Neighborhood Council, addressed the Board to express their opposition to the proposed Kohl's development in the Pt. Isabel area. Mr. Todd also spoke in support of preserving Oyster Bay for dog use and enlarging the Alameda – Crown Beach canine exercise facility.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Director Lane, and seconded by Director Severin, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

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

- C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of January 2, 2009 through January 16, 2009
Resolution No. 2009-2-018 (attached)
- C-I-b. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2009-2-019 (attached)
- C-I-c. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Directors Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Doug Siden, John Sutter and General Manager Pat O'Brien to Attend the 2009 NRPA Legislative Forum on Parks and Recreation, March 17 - 20, 2009, in Washington, D.C.
Resolution No. 2009-2-020 (attached)
- C-I-d. Approval of 2009 Investment Policy
Resolution No. 2009-2-021 (attached)
- C-I-e. Approval of Reappointment of Dave Hudson to the Park Advisory Committee
Resolution No. 2009-2-022 (attached)
- C-I-f. Authorization to Contribute Funds to the Hayward Area Shoreline Planning Agency's 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Bay Trail
Resolution No. 2009-2-023 (attached)
- C-I-g. Authorization to Purchase One Cargo Van
Resolution No. 2009-2-024 (attached)
- C-I-h. Authorization to File an Application for Grant Funds under the Habitat Conservation Fund Program, California Wildlife Protection Act, 1990: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park
Resolution No. 2009-2-025 (attached)
- C-I-i. Authorization to Object to Public Sale and Enter Into an Agreement to Purchase Fee Interest in Tax-Delinquent Real Property (American Tower LP) from the Alameda County Tax Collector's Office: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park
Resolution No. 2009-2-026 (attached)
- C-I-j. Authorization to Accept an Offer of Dedication for an EVMA Easement from Daniel L. and Lynn Del Arroz: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park
Resolution No. 2009-2-027 (attached)
- C-I-k. Authorization to Enter into Exchange Agreement with the City of Oakland: Oakland Regional Trails
Resolution No. 2009-2-028 (attached)

Mike Petouhoff of the Shepherd Canyon Homeowners Association addressed the Board, stating that his group is currently involved in a lawsuit with the District and asked for the adoption of a "stronger" covenant to ensure the enforcement of any agreements. Mr. Petouhoff stated that his group has proposed to drop the portion of the lawsuit against EBRPD if an acceptable covenant is written.

Bob Doyle, Asst. Gen. Manager for Land Acquisition clarified that this particular item is not directly related to the litigation and is an existing negotiation with the City of Oakland and preserves the area permanently as open space - there will be a deed restriction stating that the property will not be used for development. He added that the City will be responsible for the development of the trail.

Director John Sutter commented that he understands that Oakland City Council member Jean Quan's office has gone through some lengths to try to work something out that is satisfactory to all parties. He added that the District has done its job and have tried to improve the neighbors' position by adding strict deed restrictions, and a further delay does not accomplish anything.

C-1-l. Approval to Join With Other Public Agencies as a Participant of the California Asset Management Trust and to Invest in Shares of the Trust and in Individual Portfolios
Resolution No. 2009-2-029 (attached)

C-1-m. Authorization to Purchase One Crown Victoria Police Vehicle
Resolution No. 2009-2-030 (attached)

C-1-n. Authorization for Designated Staff Members to Invest District Monies In the Local Agency Investment Fund
Resolution No. 2009-2-031 (attached)

2. LAND DIVISION

C-2-a. Authorization to Purchase Fee Interest In 153.12± Acres of Real Property from Karl O. Schwartz and Alfred G. Schwartz, Trustees, Accept Funding from The East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy, and Appropriate and Transfer Funds: Morgan Territory Regional Preserve
Resolution No. 2009-2-032 (attached)

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

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

Land Acquisition Manager Nancy Wenninger gave a presentation, stating that this is the District's first acquisition on its 75th anniversary, and that it is also the first in partnership with the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy (ECCCHC) to close escrow. She added that this property, representing an important segment of the trail that will eventually link Morgan Territory to Mt. Diablo State Park, will be largely protected from development as it is surrounded on three sides by private property with conservation easements put in place. Ms. Wenninger also mentioned that while staff received Board authorization to negotiate for this property 20 years ago, the owners have just recently agreed to sell it to the District with the condition that it be preserved for open space. She added that most of the funding for the purchase is coming from the ECCCHC through a grant from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

Director Sutter suggested that a Board field trip be conducted to the area in the future. The Board unanimously expressed its gratitude to both Mr. Schwartz and the Habitat Conservancy.

3. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

C-3-a. 75th Anniversary Plan presentation (Johnson/Cameron)

Community Relations Manager Johnson gave a presentation on the 75th Anniversary plans and the objectives of the anniversary campaign, which will include public information and education on District activities, historical relevance, multicultural participation, and events hosting in all District wards.

C-3-b. Actions Take by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District (O'Brien)

General Manager O'Brien discussed the topics listed on the staff report.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Elizabeth Hales, Community Outreach Coordinator, Recreation Department, updated the Board on the department's Outreach Program, which targets underserved populations and include disabled youth and adults, seniors residing in assisted living or skilled nursing facilities, schools where at least 30% of students are participating in free or reduced lunch programs, and individuals in communities where 7% of the population fall below the established poverty rate. She also spoke about the outreach efforts of the last six months, as well as goals for 2009.

Eri Suzuki, Reservations Support Technician, Recreation Department, presented on the Girls Outside Program, which, now on its 3rd year, is a program she developed to target middle school and high school girls who are not only at-risk academically, but are at risk for exploitation due to lack of access to safe outdoor areas. She spoke of the components to the program: leadership, cultural relevance and outdoor skills and fitness.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Operations Committee | (12-18-08) | (Siden) |
| b. | Natural & Cultural Resources Committee | (11-20-08) | (Sutter) |

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter:

- Attended Joe Didonato's retirement program as well as the Chabot Space and Science Center Board meeting, where it was announced that there will be staff cuts by about 10%.

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane:

- Visited several parks – Sycamore-Iron Horse Trails, Martinez, Las Trampas;
- Attended meetings of the Briones Archers, Delta Science Center, Finance Committee, Cultural Resources Committees;
- Attended Joe Didonato & Matt Madison's retirement events;
- Attended the celebration dinner with the Measure WW Committee;
- Attended the 75th Anniversary Exhibit at the History Center in Martinez;

- Attended Jerry Kent's presentation on the 75th presentation to District Managers and suggested that he make the same presentation to the Board;
- Stated that she is working on District cultural resources issues with Chief of Interpretation Rick Parmer.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin:

- Attended the ACSDA meeting;
- Attended the CSDA in Sacramento;
- Attended the CARPD meeting where there was a reception for the legislators who are new to the Assembly/Senate;
- Attended the Gala event sponsored by the Hayward Chamber of Commerce;
- With Director Wieskamp attended a meeting in Ardenwood regarding building the train barn;
- Will be attending the ABAG Regional Planning meeting in Oakland;
- Will be going to SF State University with HR Officer Sonja Stanchina to work on the Internship Program;
- Will be attending the Supervisors Academy graduation.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden:

- Attended with Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker the Youth Collaborative event in San Leandro;
- Attended meetings of the Airport Area Business Association, San Leandro Chamber of Commerce, City of San Leandro;
- Attended Captain Matt Madison's retirement;
- Attended the PAC meeting and expressed thanks for their support of Measure WW;
- Attended meetings of the Executive Committee, Finance Committee and Regional Parks Foundation;
- Conducted his annual "appreciation coffee" for Crown Beach staff;
- Attended the YMCA of the East Bay's MLK dinner;
- Attended the ACSDA Meeting;
- Attended the MLK Freedom Center Board of Directors meeting. He will also be attending the MLK Freedom Center's Annual Meeting on February 4;
- Will be attending the PCL Conservation League in Sacramento;
- Announced that Congresswoman Barbara Lee has written a book and the MLK Freedom Center is sponsoring a book signing event on February 20;
- Will not be able to attend the February 17 Board and February Legislative Committee meetings as he is attending the American Camp Association's National Conference.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson:

- Participated in a series of orientation meetings with District Division Heads;
- Attended the Operation Committee Meeting;
- Was the keynote speaker at the MLK day activities sponsored by Estuary Institute in Richmond, attended by over 1,000 people;
- Participated in a birding event at Pt. Pinole sponsored by the Audubon Society and led by Bob Lewis;
- Attended a Parchester Community Center slide show done by Bob Lewis;
- Thanked Director Lane for inviting him to hear Jerry Kent's 75th anniversary presentation.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke:

- Attended and enjoyed the history exhibit in Martinez;
- Attended the CCSDA meeting and the Delta Science Center meeting;
- Attended Captain Madison's retirement.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments at this time.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m. in honor of former Board member Paul Harberts who passed away recently.

Yolande Barial, Confidential Secretary
Acting for Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log
Resolution Nos. 2009-2-018 to 2009-2-032
Board Committee Reports