

The Board Meeting, which was held on June 3, 2014 at the EBRPD Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland CA 94605 was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Ayn Wieskamp.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Ayn Wieskamp, President
Whitney Dotson, Vice President
Beverly Lane
Carol Severin
Doug Siden
Ted Radke

Directors Absent: John Sutter

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

The **Open Session** of the Board Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Ayn Wieskamp.

Staff Present: GM Robert Doyle, Jim O'Connor, Bob Nisbet, Dave Collins, Steve Myli, Mona Koh, Bob Nisbet, Jessica Lau, Michael Reeves, Raphael Breines, Nancy Kaiser, Mimi Waluch, Dan McCormick, Liz Musbach, Jim Townsend, Carol Johnson, Jeff Rasmussen, Police Chief Tim Anderson, Carol Victor, Michele Julene, Matt Graul, Brian Holt, Mark Ragatz, Diane Althoff, Josh Foster, Dave Hall, Katie Quick, Gretchen Rose, Alan Love, Matt Graul, Kim Fisher

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of Director Siden and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Against: None.

Directors Absent: John Sutter.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judi Martin & Natasha Mairo thanked the Board and staff for keeping Skyline Ranch open. They presented a "Thank You" poster on behalf of the Skyline Ranch community for the new roof.

Ellen Barth presented a 25 - second video clip from Sylvia McLaughlin, wherein Ms. McLaughlin suggested that the visitor center at the Brickyard segment of the McLaughlin Eastshore State Park be named in honor of Dwight Steele.

Several members of the public spoke in support of Sunrise Mountain Sports and its protest of the award of the Del Valle Watersports Concession to Outback Adventures. They also expressed concern regarding the omission of certain information in the minutes of the 2-20-14 Board Operations Committee meeting where the concession item was on the agenda.

AGM Operations, Jim O'Connor responded that the RFP process is competitive and not an evaluation of the services provided by Sunrise Mountain Sports, which were satisfactory. The parks are public facilities and staff's intent was to seek the maximum recreational opportunities to expand services for the public. District Counsel Radosevich stated that the RFP does not allow for appeal and the Board's action is final.

Director Wieskamp commented that the RFP process should be evaluated.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

By motion of Director Lane and seconded by Director Radke, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors Against: None.
Directors Absent: John Sutter.

C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of April 21, 2014 Through May 4, 2014
Resolution No. 2014 – 06-132 (attached)

C-I-b. Authorization to Enter into Contract with the Claremont Hotel in Connection with the East Bay Regional Park District's 80th Anniversary Celebration Gala
Resolution No. 2014 – 06-133 (attached)

Director Lane asked staff the reason for not having this celebration at a park. AGM Public Affairs Carol Johnson responded it is more costly to have the gala outdoors and requires that everything (tents, kitchen, etc.) be rented and brought into the park.

C-I-c. Authorization to Award a Contract to BKF Engineers to Conduct a Feasibility and Conceptual Engineering Study for the Niles Canyon Segment of the San Francisco Bay to San Joaquin River Trail: Niles Canyon Trail
Resolution No. 2014 –06 - 134 (attached)

Director Siden commented that he is glad to see Niles Canyon moving forward. Director Lane asked how the SFPUC improvement in trails would link to Niles. Jim Townsend, Trails Development Manager, responded that SFPUC is a partner and park funder and is in the process of finalizing the design for the Alameda Creek Watershed Center and will involve a connection which will go along the ridgeline across Park District property.

C-I-d. Authorization to Extend and Update the Cooperative Agreement for the Loan of Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection - CAL FIRE, Santa Clara Unit
Resolution No. 2014 – 06 - 135 (attached)

Director Siden asked for an explanation of this item. Dan McCormick, Fire Chief, explained that the District would like to extend and update the Cooperative Agreement with CalFire which allows for Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) to be used.

- C-1-e. Authorization to Hire a Network Manager at Step F of the MG02 Series in the Information Services Department, Management Services Division
Resolution No. 2014 – 06 - 136 (attached)
- C-1-f. Authorization to Enter Into a Contract For Services with Kevin Harper, CPA and Associates to Provide Interim Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) Services
Resolution No. 2014 –06 - 137 (attached)
- C-1-g. Authorization to Apply to Pacific Gas and Electric for Fuels Management Grants, District Wide
Resolution No. 2014 –06 - 138 (attached)
- C-1-h. Authorization to Purchase Three Ford Vehicles
Resolution No. 2014 –06 - 139 (attached)
- C-1-i. Authorization to Purchase Sixty Eight (68) LED Bay Lights and Occupancy Sensors for Pacheco Service Yard
Resolution No. 2014 –06 - 140 (attached)

2. LAND DIVISION

By motion of Director Wieskamp and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-2-a:

Directors For: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Ayn Wieskamp, John Sutter.
Directors Against: None.
Directors Absent: Ted Radke.

- C-2-a. Authorization to Accept from the Regional Parks Foundation Fee Interest in 296.40± Acres of Real Property to be Donated by the Patterson Family, and Transfer Funds for Associated Costs: Coyote Hills Regional Park
Resolution No. 2014 – 06 - 141 (attached)

Bob Nisbet, AGM for Land Division, acknowledged the 25 year history of this acquisition. Mr. Nisbet thanked the Patterson Family, Wil Patterson, GM Doyle, local citizens, community groups, Citizens for Coyote Hills, City of Fremont, Carol Victor, Brain Holt, Michael Reeves, Liz Musbach, staff and the Regional Parks Foundation (Foundation). The Powerpoint presentation of this approximately 300-acre Foundation donation highlighted its amenities.

Director Lane asked who conducted the historic evaluation of the buildings. Michael Reeves, Land Acquisition Specialist, responded that it was done many years ago by the Patterson family. Director Siden noted that this is the most significant land donation in history. GM Doyle pointed to the \$10 million value of this significant donation from the Foundation. Director Wieskamp admired staff tenacity. Director Lane congratulated staff on agreement to allow home developer to build a trail and City to maintain it, staff and the press conference. Director Weiskamp credited the City of Fremont for easements.

3. PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP

By motion of Director Severin and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-3-a:

C-3-a. Adoption of an Addendum to the 2008 Mitigated Negative Declaration and Revised Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Vargas Plateau Regional Park Land Use Plan Resolution No. 2014 – 06 - 142 (attached)

Raphael Breines, Acting Chief of Planning & GIS Services, explained, using a Powerpoint presentation, the reason for adoption of this item to document the minor technical changes to the 2008 Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164, stating that this is a high priority project for the district.

Director Lane asked if new ponds have to be created for mitigation. Mr. Breines replied there are already seven (7) existing ponds and three (3) are proposed to be restored to offset potential effects to species habitat. Director Lane questioned the significance of the reference to the District for the Eastern Alameda County biological opinion. Mr. Breines said that staff are submitting the permits under this conservation strategy and GM Doyle added it is adopted by both Fish & Game and Fish & Wildlife Service, is short of an HCP and expedites the permit process. Director Lane also asked about the bare hand requirement to remove salamanders. Matt Graul, Chief of Stewardship said that using bare hands is standard practice to protect salamanders.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

GM Doyle reported on the items listed on the staff report. He acknowledged Erich Pfuehler, Legislative Affairs Manager and Peter Umholfer, the District's Washington representative, for help on legislation and Brain Holt, Senior Planner, for his work with the Concord Naval Weapons Station as they all worked very hard and cooperatively. Director Lane also thanked Mr. Holt for his work and expressed its significance.

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Sgt. Dave Hall gave a presentation on the District's Critical Incident Stress Management Program which consists of the chaplaincy group, peer support, District employee assistance program, the professional assistance, training provided and professional affiliation. He also acknowledged Water Utilities Maintenance Supervisor Richard Guest for his work.

Police Chief Anderson commented that the Critical Incident Program serves as a model to the community and presented a Distinguished Service Medal to Sgt. Dave Hall.

Director Lane commented that staff listen to the recording of the Operations Committee Meeting minutes so that more detail can be included

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Conducted his staff appreciation event for Crab Cove staff
- Attended May 14 ACSDA meeting in Castro Valley
- Attended May 14 Alameda County Mayors Conference in Alameda
- Attended May 20-21 Legislative Days in Sacramento

- Attended May 23 Capital Trails Workshop
- Attended the May 28 Finance Committee meeting
- Attended May 29 EB EDA Spring Membership meeting
- Attended Friends of Crown Beach meeting
- Attended the CCC Leadership Forum on transportation
- Will be attending the Public Safety Memorial event
- Will be attending the EB EDA Retreat in Livermore

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Interviewed, with Erich Pfuehler, candidates for the PAC
- Attended the Capital Trails workshop
- Attended City of Richmond's Public Forum regarding Chevron
- Attended the Finance Committee meeting

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the Capital Trails Workshop
- Attended the joint HARD/EBRPD Board meeting
- Attended Volunteer Recognition Dinner
- Attended John Coleman/EBMUD Breakfast meeting
- Attended CCC Leadership Forum on transportation
- Attended the Patterson Ranch Press Conference
- Attended Walnut Creek Chamber event
- Will be attending the Contra Costa Mayors Conference
- Will be attending the Public Safety Memorial event

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the EB EDA Spring Membership Meeting
- Attended the joint HARD/EBRPD Board meeting
- Attended the Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Volunteer Recognition Dinner
- Attended the Regional Parks Foundation meeting
- Attended the Capital Trails Workshop
- Attended Finance Committee Meeting
- Attended the joint HARD/EBRPD Board meeting
- Worked at Mission Peak with Mona Koh
- Attended the Patterson Ranch Press Conference
- Will be attending the Cow Girl Luncheon in Livermore

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Did not provide any comments.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned 4:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Yolande Barial Knight
Acting Clerk of the Board