

The Board Meeting, which was held on July 19, 2016 at the East Bay Regional Park District, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by Board President Siden.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Doug Siden, President
Dennis Waespi, Treasurer
Diane Burgis, Secretary
John Sutter
Ayn Wieskamp
Whitney Dotson

Directors Absent: Beverly Lane, Vice President

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 1:00 p.m. by Board President Siden.

Staff Present: Robert Doyle, Ana Alvarez, Debra Auker, Carol Victor, Carol Johnson, Liz Musbach, Alicia Gonzales, Linda Wu, Mark Pearson, Aaron Roth, Bob Zenoni, Noah Dort, Michael McNally, Larry Tong, Tim Anderson, Kelly Barrington, Mark Ragatz, Matt Graul, Sukari Beshears, Carolyn Jones, Glenn Gilchrist, Jeff Rasmussen, Jim Tallerico, Bill Zenoni, Deborah Spaulding, Mona Koh, Sean Dougan, Lt. Al Love, Jeff Rasmussen, Anne Kassebaum, Neoma Lavalle, Melissa Fish, Brian Holt, Sandra Hamlet

Guests: John and Sharon Siden.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of Director Dotson, and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

Directors For: Diane Burgis, Whitney Dotson, Doug Siden, John Sutter,
Dennis Waespi, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Against: None.

Directors Absent: Beverly Lane.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

CONSENT CALENDAR

By motion of Director Burgis, and seconded by Director Sutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar.

Directors For: Diane Burgis, Whitney Dotson, Doug Siden, John Sutter,
Ayn Wieskamp, Dennis Waespi.

Directors Against: None.

Directors Absent: Beverly Lane.

- a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of
June 6, 2016 to June 19, 2016
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 181 (attached)
- b. Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of July 19, 2016
- c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 182 (attached)
- d. Authorization to Purchase Three Jeep Patriot Utility Vehicles
from Swift Superstore of Davis, California
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 183 (attached)
- e. Authorization to Renew the East Bay Regional Park District's
Existing Insurance Program: CSAC Excess Insurance Authority
and HUB International
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 184 (attached)

Director Sutter asked the liability limit. Paul Ferrario, Acting Risk Manager replied it is \$25 million.

- f. Acceptance of the First Quarter 2016 General Fund and
Other Governmental Funds Financial Report
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 185 (attached)
- g. Authorization to Purchase CISCO Network Equipment from
AMS.Net
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 186 (attached)
- h. Authorization to File an Application for Grant Funds from the
California Department of Fish and Wildlife Environmental
Enhancement Grant Program for Encinal Beach Restoration
Project: Alameda Point
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 187 (attached)

President Siden commented that this is a fine addition to the park and appreciated staff moving forward on this application.

- i. Authorization to Amend Existing Contract for Services with
HC&C Communications, Inc. to Provide Supplies and Installation
of Data Cabling for Facilities: District-wide
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 188 (attached)

Director Burgis inquired about the details of the project. Debra Auker, AGM FMS explained that it provides service to bring data lines into the park by working with AT&T. The District started with a small contract. Burgis encouraged staff to provide more background in their staff reports.

- j. Authorization to Convert One Civil Engineer Position to One
Project Manager Position: Acquisition, Stewardship, and
Development Division
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 189 (attached)

- k. Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Award a Contract to R.E. Staite Engineering Inc., for Construction of the Park Street Groin Structure Extension Project: Robert W. Crown Memorial State Beach
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 190 (attached)

Director Burgis asked for explanation of the differences in an original estimate vs the lowest bid. Rob Lim, Chief of Design and Construction explained that marketing conditions have changed since the original estimate was given. Burgis encouraged more background and explanations be included in the staff report.

- l. Authorization to Transfer and Appropriate Additional Funds for the Parking Lot Expansion and Building Access Improvements Project: Peralta Oaks
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 191 (attached)

Director Burgis encouraged staff reports to reflect the difference in the engineer estimates. Directors Sutter and Siden asked for more information about Job Order Contracting (JOC). Lim explained this process which takes about two weeks. Burgis asked if the District will pay less using JOC. Lim responded that is the intent, but they will know more when the project is completed. GM Doyle said this will reduce change order requests. Director Waespi asked if there was consideration to include solar panels in the parking lot. Lim replied that solar is not included in the scope of work in this project, adding there is a lot of shade and solar needs sunlight. Jeff Rasmussen, Assistant Finance Officer, stated that all the credit the District needs will be generated from Shadow Cliffs.

- m. Authorization to Accept a Trail Easement and a Drainage Easement from the City of Pinole and Transfer of Funds: San Francisco Bay Trail
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 192 (attached)

Director Sutter asked if there is an existing trail there now. Sean Dougan, Trail Development Program Manager, said there is not. Sutter asked if the city is contributing funds. GM Doyle said indirectly the city is assisting in the funding, but not directly.

- n. Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Execute a Consulting Services Contract with Siegal & Strain Architects for the Analyze Site Prep Environmental Education Center (EEC) Project: Tilden Nature Area
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 193 (attached)

2. GENERAL MANAGER

By motion of Director Waespi, and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve item 2a.

Directors For: Diane Burgis, Whitney Dotson, Doug Siden, John Sutter,
Dennis Waespi, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors Against: None.

Directors Absent: Beverly Lane.

- a. Authorize the 2016/2017 Tax Rate to be Levied by Alameda and Contra Costa Counties for the Payment of East Bay Regional Park District Measure AA and Measure WW General Obligation Bonds

Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 194 (attached)

Deborah Spaulding, Asst. Finance Officer, presented background on the existing bonds. The District does not yet have the counties' assessed value figures. The District anticipates the tax rate will drop due to Measure AA bonds that were paid in September, and assessed value will continue to rise. Staff is asking to calculate the property tax rate.

3. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION

By motion of Director Sutter, and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to approve item 2a.

Directors For: Diane Burgis, Whitney Dotson, Doug Siden, John Sutter,
Dennis Waespi, Ayn Wieskamp.
Directors Against: None.
Directors Absent: Beverly Lane.

- a. Approval of the Measure CC 2016/17 Tax Report and Proposed Measure CC Budget Revenues and Expenditures for 2017
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 195 (attached)

Jeff Rasmussen, Asst. Finance Officer, presented this item. Director Sutter asked for additional information from staff to which Rasmussen replied they are not complete. Director Wieskamp stated that she is continually impressed with work done by Finance and complimented all staff involved.

President Siden opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Siden closed the Public Hearing.

By motion of Director Waespi, seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve item.

Directors For: Diane Burgis, Whitney Dotson, Doug Siden, John Sutter,
Ayn Wieskamp, Dennis Waespi.
Directors Against: None.
Directors Absent: Beverly Lane.

- b. Acceptance of: 2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) 114 Auditor's Communications with Those Charged with Governance dated June 22, 2016, Independent Accountant's Report on Federal Awards, and Independent Accountant's Report on Agreed Upon Procedures Applied to 2016 Appropriations Limit Calculation Report
Resolution No. 2016 – 07 – 196 (attached)

Debra Auker, AGM Finance and Management Services presented this item asking the Board to accept the final document. Auker explained that the CAFR reflects all the financial activities of the District which comes with a clean opinion. The District has received the Award for Excellence for the 15th consecutive year. Auker stated that as the District moves forward toward remediation, the Finance Department will be able to calculate the District's liability. Right now, no liabilities have been triggered. Director Waespi thanked the Finance Department for the report, and for the good team that guides the District's finances.

BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

Deputy General Manager Doyle discussed the item listed on the staff report.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

General Manager Doyle stated that July 17 was a proud day for the Park District. Interior Secretary Jewel attended and took part in commemoration of the 72nd Anniversary of the Port Chicago explosion and celebrated the National Park Service Centennial. Doyle commented that the District has been building the relationship with National Park Service for 10 years. Doyle acknowledged Peter Umhofer and Erich Pfuehler's invaluable work.

a. Special Commendation: Brian Holt

GM Doyle spoke of the work that Brian Holt performed at the CNWS. All Directors acknowledged the work of Brian Holt in memorializing the families and the history of Port Chicago and the African American Community. Holt thanked staff for their work.

GM Doyle introduced Lt. Al Love to present Public Safety's Social Media and Community Interaction PowerPoint. Doyle said that social media is being used to recruit staff and to report crime; using Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and Nextdoor. Lt. Love stated that Public Safety is continually recruiting people who want to work as police officers in the Park District. Burgis complimented staff and commented that she heard Nextdoor is negative. Love replied that most social media is great. Wieskamp commented that Nextdoor seems effective. Burgis asked if there is evidence that it is helping with recruitment. Lt. Love responded yes. Burgis expressed her appreciation for the work of Public Safety. Sutter congratulated Love on keeping up with social media. Love stated that Isa Polt Jones is the coordinator of information and Public Safety works in tandem with Public Affairs. Love added that the *Pokemon Go* game is getting people into the parks. Dotson congratulated staff for an excellent job. Siden expressed the Board's interest in hearing more about student aids. Chief Anderson stated the Public Safety's latest recruits are student aides.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

District Counsel Victor stated there were no announcements.

5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance Committee (03/23/16) (Waespi)

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended Oakland Chamber of Commerce's Inside Oakland event;
- Attended Concerts at the Cove;
- Met with Alameda, Vice Mayor Frank Matarrese;
- Attended Alameda County Special Districts Association meeting;
- Attended Hayward Board field trip;
- Attended Larry Reid's leadership breakfast;
- Attended Port Chicago event;
- Attending the PAC Barbecue;

- Attending the Regional Parks Foundation Meeting;
- Attending the Operations Committee meeting.

Siden extended appreciation to Erich Pfuehler, Govt. Affairs Manager and Aaron Roth, Local 2428.

Director Waespi reported on meetings attended. Director Waespi

- Attended the HASPA meeting;
- Attend the Hayward Board field trip;
- Attended the Port Chicago event;
- Attended the Bruce Lagasse's retirement;
- Attending Darrell Jones retirement.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Attended the Measure DD committee meeting;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference;
- Attended the Hayward Board field trip;
- Attended the Diamond Park Festival in Oakland.

Sutter reported that SFBRA's Measure AA passed with 70.32%.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Elected Women's luncheon in Dublin;
- Attended the LAFCo meeting;
- Attended the Hayward Board field trip;
- Attending the Operations Committee meeting.

Wieskamp commented on *Pokemon Go*, encouraging the District to inform the public to be attentive to their surroundings and the park closing times.

Director Burgis reported on meetings attended. Director Burgis

- Attended the Hayward Board field trip;
- Attended the Port Chicago events.

Burgis commented that the District should contact Niantec, Inc. the developer that created *Pokemon Go* to see about partnering on a message about safety.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended the Hayward Board field trip;
- Attended the Port Chicago event;
- Met with Josh Grant, Citizens for Eastshore State Park;
- Toured Pt. Pinole with a youth group from Embarc Richmond;
- Visited the Atlas Bridge during installation.

Dotson stated that the view plain needs to be protected in Parchester. Solar panels are being installed at Pt. Pinole.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm by Board President Doug Siden.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Yolande Barial Knight
Clerk of the Board