

The Board Meeting, which was held on December 1, 2015 at the East Bay Regional Park District, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Board President Dotson.

ROLL CALL

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

Directors Absent: None.

Director Siden was NOT in Closed session due to another meeting where his presence was committed, he did arrive in time for the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

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 Board President Dotson.

Staff Present: Jim O'Connor, Debra Auker, Carol Victor, Carol Johnson, Erich Pfuehler, Aaron Roth, Rob Lim, Mimi Waluch, Anne Kassebaum, Matt Graul, Liz Musbach, Alicia Gonzales, Mimi Waluch, Bob Nisbet, Debra Auker, Bill Zenoni, Renee Patterson, Chief Dan McCormick, Katy Hornbeck, Linda Wu, John Bouyea, Larry Tong, Michele Julene, Julie Bondurant, Chris Barton, Kristine Kelchner, Mark Pearson, Mona Koh, Glen Gilchrist, Eri Suzuki, Noah Dort, Kelly Barrington, Elaine Deshaies, Bill Zenoni, Jason McCrystle, Jeff Rasmussen, Nadine Vargas, Tim Anderson.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

Directors Absent: None.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Peter Volin addressed the Board reading a statement that compared the District and the Gun Range's cost estimates on cleanup of the range.

George Phillips addressed the Board about the Lake Chabot modernization project and discussed the issues that are articulated in his drawings and invited the Board back out to the property since they have staked it with story poles.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Director Siden took over the proceedings for this one item.

By motion of Director Sutter, and seconded by Director Burgis, the Board voted unanimously to approve **Item e**.

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

- e. Authorization to Grant an Access Easement to the Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District at Breuner Marsh: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 327 (attached)

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Dotson resumed presiding.

By motion of Director Lane, and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve the consent calendar with the exception of **items e and h**.

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

- a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of October 19, 2015 to November 1, 2015
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 324 (attached)

Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of November 17, 2015

- b. Authorization to Increase the Construction Contingency for the Dog Run Trail Washout and Waterline Repair Project: Del Valle Regional Park
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 325 (attached)
- d. Authorization of Five-Year Extension of the Revised Joint Powers Agreement for Hayward Area Shoreline Planning Agency (HASPA): Hayward Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 326 (attached)
- f. Authorization to Transfer and Appropriate Funds for Acquisition of the 191.45± Acre Moller Ranch Property from the Antioch Unified School District: Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 328 (attached)
- g. Authorization to Renew a Sole-Source Contract with Rural Pig Management, Inc. for Feral Pig Control
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 329 (attached)

- i. Authorization to Appropriate Funds for the Sole Source Purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for the Fire Department
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 331 (attached)
- j. Authorization of Purchase of a Replacement Inflatable Rescue Boat for the Fire Department
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 332 (attached)
- k. Resolution to Support Pending Federal Legislation H.R. 1721 (Slaughter) National Women’s Rights History Project Act
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 333 (attached)
- l. Resolution to Support Pending Federal Legislation H.R. 2983 (Huffman) Drought Recovery and Resilience Act of 2015
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 334 (attached)
- m. Resolution to Support Pending Federal Legislation S. 1995 Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grant Program Act of 2015
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 335 (attached)
- n. Authorization to Renew Contract for Youth Employment Services with Civicorps Schools for 2016
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 336 (attached)

Director Siden commented that the District should feel proud about the Civicorps contract because it gives young adults work experience and an appreciation for the park district.

- o. Approval of 2016 Consolidated Fee Schedule
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 337 (attached)

Director Siden appreciated the operation committee for the staff time it takes to produce this schedule.

- p. Authorization to Extend the Park and Recreation Lease with East Bay Municipal Utility District: Lake Chabot Regional Park
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 338 (attached)

Director Siden asked what is involved with this certification. AGM O’Connor replied that it is to reduce the use of herbicides and fertilizers and to be environmentally compliant.

- q. Acceptance of the East Bay Regional Park District Investment Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2015
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 339 (attached)
- r. Acceptance of the Third Quarter 2015 General Fund and Other Governmental Funds Financial Report
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 340 (attached)
- s. Authorization to Purchase Replacement Microsoft Surface Pro
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 341 (attached)

2. ACQUISITION, STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

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

Directors Absent: None.

- a. Authorization to Award a Contract to Ghilotti Construction Company, Inc. for the Atlas Road Extension Improvements Project, and to Transfer and Appropriate Funds: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2015 – 12 – 337 (attached)

Rob Lim, Chief of Design and Construction introduced Glen Gilchrist, Project Manager to discuss the scope of the project using PowerPoint. The project improvements will include a new park entrance, a new staging area and infrastructure for future improvements. There was a bid opening and the low responsible bid was from Ghilotti Construction Company, Inc. Gilchrist oriented the board to the location of the bridge. There will be 2 way traffic, trail and utilities, gravel parking area, restroom building, picnic sites, small turf area, entrance kiosk and a future park office and service yard. The bridge will be 147 ft. long, 40 ft. wide 25 ft. vertical clearance of the railroad tracks. The bridge is designed to current Caltrans standards. The bridge will be turned over to the city of Richmond and they will own it and maintain it when it is complete. Director Siden asked if we had a location for the visitor center. Lim said as a part of the scope of the services for the contractor is to help the District narrow down the location of the center. Director Wieskamp added that the consultants are still looking and evaluating 5 sites. GM Doyle added that no matter the location of the visitor center, a bridge and utilities are necessary. Siden asked about the \$1.1 million shortfall. Lim went over the project funding list in the staff report.

Director Sutter had questions on what is well under way and what is not accomplished. Lim talked about the utilities license agreements which affect the utilities on the bridge. Gilchrist touched on the licenses and answered the structural questions. 3 of the agreements are with PG&E and the railroad. Sutter asked how staff arrived at taking monies out of CC reserve. GM Doyle said that it is staffs best recommendation to start to spend down CC; not recommending the general fund because there is a lot of demand on it moving forward. Doyle added; however if the board wishes it could be shifted out. Sutter remarked that in the Board workshop, the Board indicated that in the future when staff wants to use CC or WW it is spelled out and maybe a separate item on consent calendar so that it will be brought to the Board's attention. Director Wieskamp asked how much money is in the CC fund and she thinks this is a reasonable expenditure. Lim answered \$1.5 million. Wieskamp thanked Gilchrist for his presentation. Director Waespi asked if staff has worked with Ghilotti before and District Counsel Victor said yes and the work was satisfactory. Director Lane complimented staff and asked when will the bridge be completed and Lim said 60 weeks.

3. GENERAL MANAGER

- a. First Public Hearing

Debra Auker, Acting AGM Finance and Management Services went through the budget which is balanced. Highlighting certain pages. This is the first public hearing to answer questions and make changes.

Director Dotson opened the public hearing. There were no members of the public in attendance to speak on this item. Director Dotson closed the public hearing.

Director Lane stated that as Chair of the Finance committee she and the other committee members Waespi and Wieskamp have had their questions answered. Director Siden commended staff for this tremendous undertaking. Siden proposed removing trucks in the MLK Park near the Tidewater boating center that are being stored and restore back to open space. AGM Nisbet stated the lease is coming up for renewal and will propose a shorter lease term. Siden opposes any renewal agreement with that trucking company. Nisbet has already directed staff to look into the current LUP for MLK to see what was previously contemplated. Director Wieskamp proposed that Public Affairs consider targeting Highland Hospital for a partnership and create a wellness program for District staff. AGM Johnson, Public Affairs said the District is currently in discussions with both Counties and is taking up the wellness program with HR. Wieskamp thanked Ms. Auker for her presentation. Director Sutter congratulated staff on the graphics and the organized presentation. Sutter showed staff where there was an inconsistent dollar amount in the document. Staff will correct. Sutter asked about the addition of a new FTE in Stewardship and is it related to the Gun Club expenses. Matt Graul, Chief of Stewardship, said this position is for maintenance of existing and new properties and for preparation, coordination and expediting permit applications. District Counsel added that the request for additional legal funds is not related to the Gun Club, it reflects an increase in the higher demand and the Risk Manager vacancy. Sutter had several questions and comments on specific items in the budget that were explained by staff. Some pertained to transfers in and out, change in personnel costs due to staff vacancies, impact of whipsnake on designing trail routes, fuel implementation monies, looking at the 5 year expenditure plan, improving access to Tidewater, Redwood Canyon Golf Course and Measure WW project list. Director Lane acknowledged that this was an excellent document and added that it is important to address the north western access to Las Trampas.

At this time, Vice President Siden called for a 10 minute break.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

General Manager Robert Doyle discussed those items listed on the staff report. Director Sutter asked what the funding is for. GM Doyle and Erich Pfoehler said Breuner Marsh, Golden Gate Fields and Pinole Shores.

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

General Manager, Robert Doyle moved the presentation from Mimi Waluch to subsequent board meeting.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

District Counsel Carol Victor announced there are no announcements.

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Lane left the meeting.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Attended the Operations Committee meeting;
- Gave tour to Port of Oakland folks on the Bay Trail.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the ACSDA meeting;
- Attended lunch meeting with the president of Friends of San Leandro Creek;
- Attended Ron Brown Retirement celebration;

- Attended the Operations Committee meeting;
- Attended the Alameda Council of the Boy Scouts Order of Arrow Ceremony;
- Accepted invitation from George Phillips to visit Lake Chabot;
- Spent 2 hours with John Maunder at Gun Range;
- Emceed Alameda Rotary Club meeting as they gave out \$15,000;
- Mentioned the King tides will be the new normal – impacting MLK;
- Attending the CC Creek and Watershed Symposium.

Director Waespi reported on meetings attended. Director Waespi

- Complimented staff on seeking Audubon status at Redwood Canyon Golf Course;
- Thanked GM for the parks fee waiver after Thanksgiving;
- Attended the ACSDA meeting;
- Attended the Ron Brown Retirement celebration;
- Attended the Finance Committee meeting;
- Toured the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project.

Director Burgis reported on meetings attended. Director Burgis

- Attended the Natural/Cultural Resources Committee meeting;
- Attended the Operations meeting;
- Attended Ron Brown's Retirement celebration;
- Walked the Marsh Creek Trail with Keller Williams Company;
- Walked with Dept. of Water Resources at Marsh Creek;
- Attended the Elected Women's luncheon;
- Sponsoring the CC Creek and Watershed Symposium.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Tri-Valley Conservancy event;
- Attended the Mission Peak Community Meeting on staging areas;
- Attended Executive Committee meeting;
- Attended the LAFCo meeting;
- Attended the Mayors Conference;
- Pleased that Asst. Attorney spoke to the commission about putting windmills in the right place on Brushy Peak;
- Attended the Elected Women's luncheon;
- Commented on District professional police department.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Director Sutter had closing remarks about Supervisor Mary King. Director Siden closed the meeting in memory of Supervisor Mary King.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 pm by Director Whitney Dotson.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Yolande Barial Knight
Clerk of the Board