

The Board Meeting, which was held on September 16, 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
Doug Siden, Secretary
Beverly Lane
Carol Severin
John Sutter

Directors Absent: Ted Radke, Treasurer

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 2:05 p.m. by President Ayn Wieskamp.

Staff Present: Acting GM Dave Collins, Jim O'Connor, Debra Aufer, Bob Nisbet, Diane Althoff
Police Chief Tim Anderson, Carol Victor, Mona Koh, Liz Musbach, Larry Tong,
Pam Burnor, Jeff Rasmussen, Mark Ragatz, Jason McCrystle, Jim Townsend,
Kristina Kelchner, Kelly Barrington, Julie Bondurant.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Schwartz, President of Friends of Five Creeks, stated that their group has more would-be volunteers, primarily composed of high school and college students, than they could accommodate on their projects. She suggested that the Park District could do more with these volunteers if it dedicated a staff member to supervise these volunteers in various park locations. Directors Sutter and Lane suggested that AGM for Operations Jim O'Connor and the Operations staff consider Ms. Schwartz' suggestions as volunteers do contribute extensively to the parks.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following item was pulled from the Consent Calendar and will be considered at a future Board meeting:

Item C-I-e Authorization to Grant a 33,317-Square Foot Recreational Trail Easement and 7,982-Square Foot Utility Easement to the City of Richmond: Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline

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

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

- C-1-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of July 28, 2014 to August 17, 2014
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 227 (attached)
- C-1-b. Authorization to Purchase One John Deere Tractor
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 228 (attached)
- C-1-c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 229 (attached)
- C-1-d. Authorization to Augment the Construction Contingency and Amend the Contract for Construction Management Services to Complete Contracted Work for the Iron Horse Trail from Dublin/Pleasanton BART to Santa Rita Road in Pleasanton
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 230 (attached)
- C-1-f. Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program Application and Funding Agreement, District-Wide
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 231 (attached)
- C-1-g. Authorization to Apply for Grant Funds from the Habitat Conservation Fund for Trail Access Improvements: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 232 (attached)
- C-1-h. Authorization to Amend the 2014 Budget for Federal TIGER II Grant and Federal Earmark Fund Sources: District-Wide Regional Trails
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 233 (attached)
- C-1-i. Authorization to Amend the 2014 Budget with Mid-Year Appropriations from the Major Renovation and Replacement Fund
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 234 (attached)
- C-1-j. Authorization to Amend the 2014 Budget with Mid-Year Appropriations from the General Fund
Resolution No. 2014 – 09 - 235 (attached)

2. **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

- C-2-a. Contra Costa Transportation Authority - 2014 Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan

AGM for Land Division Bob Nisbet introduced Mr. Martin Engelmann, Deputy Executive Director of Planning for the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA), who provided a brief presentation on the agency's 2014 Countywide Transportation Plan. He stated that the Plan provides a blueprint for the County's transportation system over the next 25 years and is updated every 5 years. It also serves to identify goals for

bringing together all modes of travel, networks and operators, to meet the diverse needs of Contra Costa. Since the last update in 2009, Mr. Engelmann stated that the unemployment rate in Contra Costa County and the Bay region had gone down, and in the East Bay, housing prices has doubled. He enumerated various accomplishments since then, such as the completion of the fourth bore of the Caldecott Tunnel, the continued widening of State Route 4, new pedestrian overcrossings intermodal transit centers, among others. He also spoke about the various challenges faced by the county, including increased population and traffic, and their plans for the future, such as the Highway 4 widening, eBart expansion, implementing the growth management program by implementing the urban limit line, support for clean technology and alternative modes of travel, and funding of new programs.

3. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

C-3-a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, Acting for GM Robert Doyle, discussed those items listed on the staff report.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

AGM for Operations Jim O'Connor provided a brief update to the Board on Mission Peak regarding the revised park operating hours, which is planned for implementation beginning September 29, 2014. He also discussed the various outreach activities planned by staff to inform the public. Director Wieskamp asked that District staff meet with Ohlone College to inform them of the new hours. Mr. O'Connor also stated that he will be meeting with staff from the City of Fremont later in the week. With respect to a question from Director Sutter regarding the status of the Lake Temescal closure, AGM O'Connor stated that it has been opened on Labor Day.

AGM Dave Collins introduced Aquatics Manager Pete DeQuincy, who presented on the current drought's impacts on Lifeguard Services throughout the District's swim facilities. He highlighted that attendance numbers increased at Cull Canyon and Don Castro, given the water issues at the other parks contributing to low attendance numbers. Director Sutter asked about the possible use of City of Oakland pools in case of future lake issues; Mr. DeQuincy stated that District staff are not allowed to transport individuals and that it may conflict with Oakland Park and Recreation programs. He will, however, explore future partnerships.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

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| a. | Operations Committee | (6-19-2014) | (Lane) |
| b. | Operations Committee | (7-17-2014) | (Lane) |

Director Lane asked that minor corrections be made to the 7-17-2014 Committee minutes, which AGM O'Connor noted.

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce monthly mixer at the Chabot Community College campus;
- Moderated the San Leandro City Council Candidates Night;
- Attended the retirement event for District Counsel Ted Radosevich;
- Reported that a scheduled meeting with the City of Alameda Park and Recreation Director was cancelled at the last minute;
- Attended the recent Board field trip to Crockett Hills;
- Attended the District's 80th Gala Anniversary event last September 13 at the Claremont Hotel;
- Attended the San Leandro Creek Alliance meeting last night;
- Will attend the Alameda City Council meeting tonight;
- Will attend the EB EDA Fall Membership meeting on September 18 in Concord;
- Will attend the Coastal Clean-up event on September 27;
- Will have a one-on-one meeting with the GM next week;
- Will attend the CSDA Annual Conference in Palm Springs.

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the retirement event for District Counsel Ted Radosevich;
- Attended the Moonlight on the Mountain event sponsored by Save Mt. Diablo;
- Finished her Oral History interviews with Laura McCreery;
- Attended the recent Board field trip;
- Attended the California Women's Lead reception in Danville;
- Attended the 80th Anniversary Gala;
- Will be attending the District's Health and Safety Fair;
- Handed out the Tilden EEC – District 80th Anniversary event flyer scheduled for September 28;
- Will be speaking to the Berkeley Path Wanderers on the Anza Trail;
- Suggested that staff read the recent Park and Trail magazine article on Prescriptions for Parks, Trails and Play;
- Will be attending an event on October 28 where the Eugene O'Neill Foundation will be recognizing Congressman George Miller for his work in supporting the O'Neill National Historic Site, as well as the District for Hulet Hornbeck's efforts regarding the National Historic Site and the Corduroy Hills property.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the Moonlight on the Mountain event;
- Attended the 80th Gala Event in Berkeley;
- Attended the recent Board field trip;
- Attended the Alameda County Farm Bureau dinner;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference held at the Chabot College in Hayward;
- Attended her regularly scheduled Board and committee meetings.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Attended the Contra Costa Mayors Conference in Moraga;
- Attended the Moonlight on the Mountain event;
- Attended the retirement event for District Counsel Ted Radosevich;
- Met with Director Siden and others at the Alameda Shoreline to discuss improvement opportunities for the entrance;

- Attended the Board field trip;
- Attended the Executive Committee meeting;
- Attended the District's 80th Anniversary Gala celebration;
- Attended the Measure DD Committee meeting in Oakland;
- Will be attending the Coastal Clean-up Day;
- Will be attending the Chabot Space and Science Center Gala on Saturday, September 20;
- Will be attending the program called Art in Nature at Redwood Regional Park on Sunday, September 21

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended the last Board meeting;
- Attended the meetings of the Pinole and Richmond RDA Oversight Committees;
- Attended the Executive Committee meeting on September 11;
- Attended the Richmond Liaison Committee meeting on September 5;
- Attended the 80th Anniversary Gala in Berkeley;
- Conducted a tour of the Breuner Marsh restoration project with District staff Chris Barton;
- Will be attending the National Land Conservation Conference from September 18 – 20;
- Will be attending the CSDA Annual Conference in Palm Springs from September 29 – October 2;
- Mentioned that the North Richmond Shoreline Festival will be on October 4.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the 80th gala event in Berkeley;
- Attended the Moonlight on the Mountain event;
- Attended a meeting with Fremont Mayor Harrison, the City Manager, District staff Carol Johnson and Erich Pfuehler to discuss issues at Mission Peak;
- Attended Sen. Ellen Corbett event in San Leandro for the Habitat Award winners;
- Attended the meetings of the Executive Committee and Alameda County LAFCO;
- Attended the Board field trip;
- Alameda County Farm Bureau dinner;
- Presented to the Pleasanton Seniors group assisted by District staff Jim Townsend;
- Met with Richard Waters, Ohlone College Trustee, regarding Mission Peak this morning;
- Will attend the Pleasanton Elected Officials event to meet with the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Allen Pulido
Clerk of the Board