

The Board Meeting, which was held on October 21, 2008 at the Peralta Oaks Headquarters Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA, was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Ayn Wieskamp.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Ayn Wieskamp, President
Ted Radke, Vice-President
Doug Siden, Treasurer
Beverly Lane
Nancy Skinner
John Sutter

Directors Absent: None.

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 2:00 p.m. by Board President Ayn Wieskamp.

Staff Present Included: John Escobar (Acting for GM O'Brien), Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Bob Doyle, Nancy Wenninger, Carol Victor, Rosemary Cameron, Tim Anderson, Shelly Lewis, Brian Wiese, Julie Haselden, Mike Anderson, Dennis Waespi, Monique Bautista, Anne Scheer, Diane Althoff, Carol Johnson, Linda Wu, Danny Valdez.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Various members of Oyster Bay Dog addressed the Board to state their opposition to development of Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline and asked that it be kept as is. They also commented as follows:

- Asked that the group be included in the planning process, and added to a committee meeting agenda;
- Allocating 7 acres out of 200 acres for a dog park is not enough;
- Requested the re-installation of a "porta-potty" that was recently removed.

AGM of Planning, Stewardship and Development Mike Anderson stated that he met with about 30 members of Oyster Bay Dog last week regarding the park. AGM Anderson explained that the area is a landfill that needs to be improved, and agreed that more information needs to be disseminated to the public. It was suggested that this item be further discussed at a Board Executive Committee meeting. He added that the land use plan does not designate where dogs will be permitted, but does indicate that there will be off-leash areas for dogs.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Director Radke, seconded by Director Skinner, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Nancy Skinner, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

C-1-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of September 27, 2008 through October 10, 2008

Resolution No. 2008-10-258 (attached)

C-1-b. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners

Resolution No. 2008-10-259 (attached)

C-1-c. Acceptance of Bid for Asphalt Paving and Pavement Repairs and Authorization to Amend the 2008 Budget: Roberts Regional Recreation Area

Resolution No. 2008-10-260 (attached)

C-1-d. Authorization to Amend the 2008 Budget and Transfer and Appropriate Project 534400 (Arena Demolition) Funds: Contra Loma Regional Park

Resolution No. 2008-10-261 (attached)

C-1-e. Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Acceptance of Bid for Swim Lagoon Resurfacing: Contra Loma Regional Park

Resolution No. 2008-10-262 (attached)

Chief of Design Diane Althoff, in response to a concern by Director Lane, stated that expenditure for surface coating repair is part of the maintenance required for the pool.

C-1-f. Authorization to Amend the 2008 Budget and Appropriate Funds for Fence Construction: Garin/Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Park

Resolution No. 2008-10-263 (attached)

2. LAND DIVISION

C-2-a. Authorization to Grant a Rock Bolt Easement to Caltrans for the Caldecott Tunnel Improvement Project: Sibley Volcanic Regional Preserve

Resolution No. 2008-10-264 (attached)

Moved by Director Siden and seconded by Director Skinner, item C-2-a was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Nancy Skinner, John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors absent: None.

AGM for Land Acquisition Bob Doyle gave a presentation, stating that this is a very important project for Contra Costa County. He added that staff is recommending that Caltrans formally acknowledge the District for the donation in lieu of paying \$1,500 for the easement.

C-2-b. Authorization to Purchase Fee Interest in 333± Acres of Real Property from Save Mount Diablo and to Transfer Funds Therefor: Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve (Clayton Ranch)

Resolution No. 2008-10-265 (attached)

Moved by Director Radke and seconded by Director Lane, item C-2-b was unanimously approved.

Directors present: Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, Nancy Skinner, John Sutter,
Ayn Wieskamp.

Directors absent: None.

AGM Doyle stated that this is a purchase, with no direct cost to the District, from Save Mount Diablo. He mentioned that the appraised market value in the staff report was incorrect; it should be \$1,637,000. The payment of \$1,400,000 is via a grant from the California Coastal Conservancy, and Mount Diablo is donating the difference between this amount and the appraised market value. After a brief presentation, AGM Doyle introduced Ron Brown, Executive Director of Save Mount Diablo. Mr. Brown addressed the Board, stating that he is pleased that it will be part of the East Bay Regional Park District. He added that Mr. Doyle was instrumental in the acquisition of this property when he was a director for Save Mount Diablo.

The Board expressed unanimous appreciation to Save Mount Diablo for their donation, and added that this kind of partnership will enable the District to continue its mission. Director Lane commented that this park should be put on the “tickler list” of openings for 2010, and suggested naming this area “Clayton Ranch”.

3.. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

- a. 2008 Regional Parks Bond Extension
Public Input: Summary of Comments Received

AGM of Operations John Escobar, acting for GM O’Brien, spoke about the omission of the Measure WW title from the Alameda County ballot, District staff’s actions and the steps taken by the County Registrar to notify voters of the error. District Counsel Ted Radosevich added that the Public Affairs staff is also conducting outreach efforts to notify voters of the error.

- b. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

AGM of Operations John Escobar, discussed the topics listed on the staff report.

4. GENERAL MANAGER’S COMMENTS

Acting GM John Escobar introduced Maintenance Superintendent Stephen Gehrett, who gave a presentation on the Fleet Management, Roads and Sanitation/Recycling Unit’s 2008 activities.

Director Skinner spoke about using light colored pavement to minimize heat. President Wieskamp added that restrooms at Del Valle need ~~some maintenance work~~ a plan for the replacement of the old toilets with Romtec.

AGM of Public Safety Tim Anderson spoke about the Public Safety items included in the GM Comments section, and updated the Board on the drowning incident at Del Valle on October 20, 2008.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

President Wieskamp stated that there were no announcements from the Closed Session.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Executive Committee | (7-22-2008) | (Wieskamp) |
| b. | Operations Committee | (8-21-2008) | (Severin) |

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Visited the Iron Horse Trail, and went with District staff Linda Chavez to the McCosker Property to inspect which buildings may be saved;
- Attended the Mt. Diablo Interpretive Association dedication of their “Trail Through Time” – a set-up of 20 panels tracing the geology of Mt. Diablo;
- Attended the Operations Committee meeting;
- Attended a meeting with staff from the Finance department;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Spoke on current status of the recommended alternatives regarding the Concord Naval Weapons Station as discussed at a CAC meeting. She added that while the Concord City Council will meet in November, the final alternative may be determined on January 2009.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Made a presentation on Measure WW to the Oakland City Council, who gave their unanimous endorsement and passed a resolution how Oakland will be spending their local share. Director Sutter also commended the Oakland Parks and Recreation for their involvement;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Attended the Eden Landing Levee breach;
- Attended the Waterfront Action meeting, where there was a discussion of various proposals for the development of the Jack London area;
- Citing a news article stating that Fed Chief Bernanke was in favor of a new economic stimulus package, suggested that staff contact appropriate Washington DC and NRPA representatives to find out if package may be fashioned in such a way that the District can benefit from it.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Met with the new Martinez City Manager where one of the items discussed was the proposed ferry service in the city. This will be further discussed at a JPA meeting on October 28;
- Attended the Contra Costa CSDA meeting wherein the featured speaker, a consultant on customer service, continually used EBRPD as an example of an agency that excelled in customer service;
- Pointed out that a the eyesore/house at the top of the ridge on Carquinez Regional Shoreline has finally been removed after two years of negotiations;
- Ran into a member of the District’s equestrian trail safety patrol who asked if some of them can have access to District radios. Director Radke asked staff to look into it and report back its status to him;
- Showed a letter he sent to the Martinez News Gazette Editor to correct erroneous information from a previously published letter which opposed both the Martinez Park District and EBRPD bond measures.

Director Skinner reported on meetings attended. Director Skinner

- Did a presentation on Measure WW to Chronicle editorial board with AGM Mike Anderson;
- Conducted a variety of public presentations related to the bond extension measure;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference meeting;
- Made a Measure WW presentation to the Castro Valley Chamber Board with Community Relations Manager Carol Johnson;
- Attended the CARPD meeting in Sacramento;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Attended the Special Board meeting and Operations Committee meeting;
- Attended the CSDA Conference in Irvine, CA

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the Eden Landing Levee breach;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference meeting;
- Attended the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce luncheon;
- Met with the Alameda Park and Recreation Commission;
- Attended the EBMUD Liaison Committee meeting and the Alameda Point trail dedication on October 11;
- Attended the Waterfront Action committee meeting;
- Attended the Workforce Diversity Committee annual meeting;
- Attended the Finance department staff meeting, where he gave a presentation on Measure WW;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Attended the Hills Emergency Forum Annual meeting at the Trudeau Center;
- Announced that the San Lorenzo Heritage Society endorsed Measure WW.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference;
- Attended the Operations Committee meeting;
- Attended the Foundation event at the Dunsmuir House;
- Conducted park tours of Shadow Cliffs, Del Valle, Tilden
- Stated that there was very positive feedback received regarding the Cowboy Cultural Extravaganza;
- Announced the appointees that will join her on the Bd Nominating Cte – Directors Sutter and Skinner;
- Expressed her interest in a presentation on the new fire equipment obtained by the Oakland Fire Department, and asked if this may be suitable for the District;
- Asked staff to check the feasibility of installing a temporary restroom at Oyster Bay;
- Will be attending an event at the Alviso-Adobe

E. ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log,
Resolution Nos. 2008-10-258 through 2008-10-265
Board Committee Reports