

The Board Meeting, which was held on February 16, 2010 at the EBRPD Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605 was called to order at 12:50 p.m. by Board Vice President Beverly Lane.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Beverly Lane, Vice-President
Carol Severin, Treasurer
John Sutter, Secretary
Ayn Wieskamp
Whitney Dotson
Ted Radke

Directors Absent: Doug Siden, President

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

The Open Session of the Board Meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by Board Vice President Beverly Lane.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Bob Doyle, Carol Victor, Mike Anderson, Mark Pearson, Diane Althoff, Rosemary Cameron, Police Chief Tim Anderson, John Escobar, Anne Kassebaum, Erich Pfuehler, Jeff Rasmussen, Carol Johnson, Dave Sumner, Anne Scheer.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of January 16, 2010 through February 7, 2010
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 036 (attached)

- C-I-b. Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of January 12, 2010
 - C-I-c. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Directors Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Doug Siden, Carol Severin, John Sutter and General Manager Pat O'Brien to Attend the 2010 NRPA National Legislative Forum on Parks and Recreation, March 16 - 19, 2010 in Washington, D.C.
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 037 (attached)
 - C-I-d. Resolution of Support for Director Ayn Wieskamp's Candidacy as Special District Representative on the Alameda Local Agency Formation Commission
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 038 (attached)
 - C-I-e. Authorization to Apply to the California Fire Safe Council for Federal Fuels Management Funds - East Bay Hills
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 039 (attached)
- Vice President Beverly Lane read for the record an email from the East Bay Chapter of the CA Native Plant Society stating its support for this item.
- C-I-f. Acceptance of 2010 Internal Audit Plan
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 040 (attached)
 - C-I-g. Authorization to Enter into a Contract for Appraisal Services with Kathleen Cummins Kragen
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 041 (attached)
 - C-I-h. Authorization to Transfer Funds for Land Acquisition Department Projects
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 042 (attached)
 - C-I-i. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 043 (attached)
 - C-I-j. Authorization to Approve a Special Event Permit for Actions Past, LLC to Conduct a School of the Renaissance Soldier Special Event: Briones Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 044 (attached)
 - C-I-k. Authorization to Purchase Four Police Vehicles
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 045 (attached)
 - C-I-l. Authorization to Purchase Two Mowers
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 046 (attached)
 - C-I-m. Authorization to Purchase Tires
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 047 (attached)
 - C-I-n. Authorization to Purchase Fourteen Vehicles
Resolution No. 2010 – 2 - 048 (attached)

Referring to items C-I-k and C-I-n, Director Sutter asked how much the District was saving by going through the California State Bid/Procurement process and if it may be worthwhile to go through the a regular bid process

given the current state of the economy. Maintenance Chief Anne Scheer stated that the State Bid/Procurement process normally saves the District several thousand dollars. Director Sutter suggested that staff continue to monitor this process.

2. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

C-2-a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

General Manager Pat O'Brien discussed the items listed on the staff report.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Design Chief Diane Althoff and AGM for Planning/Stewardship and Development gave a presentation to update the Board on the status of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Tidewater Aquatic Center project currently under construction and scheduled for completion in late 2010.

In response to a question from Director Sutter, Ms. Althoff stated that the area is a closed site; bicycle riders do not have access to the area during the construction period due to safety concerns. Mr. Anderson added that the trail cannot be extended along Tidewater to bisect the Bay Trail since Tidewater is a private street.

There was also a short discussion on the proposed trail lay-out around the Aquatic Center.

Asst. General Manager Rosemary Cameron showed a new dvd-video produced by Doug McConnell's production company on the history, mission and range of opportunities at the District called "Inspiration and Promise, the District at 75". She added that this comprehensive video will also be used for new employee orientation, volunteer presentations as well as staff and Board members' speaking engagements. Ms. Cameron acknowledged the work of Community Relations Manager Carol Johnson in completing this project.

Director Sutter, referring to the Incident Reports as included in the GM Comments write-up, stated that there seems to be an increase in violent incidents within the District's parks. Police Chief Tim Anderson confirmed that there has been an increase, particularly along the Delta-DeAnza Trail. He added that crime in that particularly area of the county is high regardless of the existence of the trail.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Lane stated that there are no announcements from the Closed Session.

5. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Alameda CSDA | (11-04-09) | (Siden) |
| b. | Contra Costa CSDA | (10-19-09) | (Radke) |
| c. | Finance Committee | (01-26-10) | (Severin) |
| d. | Operations Committee | (12-17-09) | (Severin) |

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Mentioned that he was glad to see the Newsclips article citing the NRPA's recognition of Director Siden;
- Attended an Oakland City Council committee meeting on the proposed rezoning near Tidewater to allow the building of residential units in an industrial area, where he and Larry Tong spoke on the preservation and inclusion of open space into any plan to be adopted. He reported that the item was tabled after hearing protests from industry supporters/organized labor;
- Will be attending February 25th hearing on the proposed Gateway Park;
- Will be attending February 26th Sierra Club event honoring Sylvia McLaughlin.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Asked if the District has received permits from the Army Corps of Engineers on the Delta Science Center (over a year overdue), and asked staff to follow-up with elected officials;
- Will be attending the Pinole/Hercules JPA meeting on February 18 and the Legislative committee meeting on February 19.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- With the assistance of Public Affairs staff, gave a presentation on the District to a retired teachers organization out of the Mt. Diablo area;
- With Director Siden attended the annual League of Women Voters meeting for elected officials;
- With Director Siden met with staff from Hayward Shoreline.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended a bird count event with the Audubon Society.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Read information to honor Larry Milnes, who passed away recently;
- Attended the 100 Club meeting, with funds raised at the event going to widows and children of firefighters and police officers in Alameda County killed in the line of duty;
- Attended Elected Women's Luncheon where she handed out District calendars;
- Cited a news article about the hold-up in the trail connection between Del Valle and Sycamore Grove;
- With Director Lane will be attending the Sierra Club Dinner February 17;
- Will be meeting with Carol Johnson and Erich Pfuehler to talk about community activities
- Will be attending a meeting with Cong. John Garamendi with District staff;
- Will be attending a presentation by Mr. Roan McClure on the McClure House.

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Mentioned that the award presented by the NRPA to Director Siden was very appropriate;
- Had a meeting with a Hills Conservation Network member;
- Will be hiking a trail at Castle Rock on February 20, which was advertised in a write-up;
- Will be speaking on "Fascinating Pioneer Women in Contra Costa County" during the 20th Century;
- Will be joining Director Wieskamp and District staff in a meeting with Cong. John Garamendi.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

Director Ayn Wieskamp commented on the loss of Park District friend, advocate and partner Larry Milnes who passed away on February 6, 2010 at the age of 85.

Directors Wieskamp and Radke left the meeting at this time.

E. WORKSHOP TO REVIEW DISTRICT PRIORITIES FOR NRPA LEGISLATIVE FORUM

The Board adjourned to the Board conference room and met to review priority topics for discussion during the National Park and Recreation Association's National Legislative Forum to be held in Washington, D.C. from March 16 through March 19, 2010.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2010 - 2 - 036 to 2010 - 2 - 048
Board Committee Report