

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

ROLL CALL

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

Directors Absent: None.

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 2:00 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Bob Doyle, Carol Victor, Shelly Lewis, Mike Anderson, David Amme, Mark Pearson, Diane Althoff, Cinde Rubaloff, Susan Gonzales, Mimi Waluch, Isa Polte-Jones, Carol Johnson, Renee Patterson, Erich Pfuehler, Jim Townsend, Steve Myli, Neal Fujita, Rosemary Cameron, Jack Kenny, Anne Kassebaum, Tiffany Margulici, Chief Tim Anderson, Sgt. Tyrone Davis.

A. ANNUAL ROTATION OF BOARD OFFICERS

The 2010 Board Officers, duly elected in November, 2009, officially took their seats at this meeting: President – Director Doug Siden, Vice-President – Director Beverly Lane, Treasurer – Director Carol Severin, and Secretary – Director John Sutter.

The Board was unanimous in extending their appreciation for Director Ted Radke's service as Board President in 2009; incoming Board President Siden presented a plaque of appreciation to outgoing Board President Radke.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp
Directors Absent: None.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

D. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

Directors Absent: None.

- D-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of December 1, 2009 through December 13, 2009
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 001 (attached)
- D-I-b. Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meetings of November 17 and December 1, 2009
- D-I-c. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Director Doug Siden to Attend the 2010 American Camp Association National Conference in Denver, Colorado from February 16 - 19, 2010
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 002 (attached)
- D-I-d. Approval of Re-appointment of Michael E. Levi to the Chabot Space & Science Center Board of Directors
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 003 (attached)
- D-I-e. Resolution to Support Pending Federal Legislation S. 2747 – the Land and Water Conservation Authorization and Funding Act (Bingaman)
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 004 (attached)
- D-I-f. Authorization to Print and Distribute “Regional In Nature” Through Various East Bay Newspapers
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 005 (attached)
- D-I-g. Approval of Five Year Grazing License to James Coelho: Mission Peak Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 006 (attached)
- D-I-h. Authorization to Transfer Funds and Accept the Bid for Installation of a Solar Heating System for the Camp Arroyo Swimming Pool: Del Valle Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 007 (attached)

Director Sutter noted that the amount set aside for construction administration, inspection and testing in the amount of \$24,353.70 seemed disproportionately large compared to the \$89,988 total cost for the project. Design Chief Diane Althoff responded that this amount is only an estimate and is on the high side because this kind of project would need more monitoring and inspection compared to other District projects.

- D-I-i. Approval of Five Year Grazing License to Mendoza Ranch: Vargas Plateau Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 008 (attached)

D-I-j. Authorization to Renew the Contract with Milliman Inc. to Provide Investment Advisory and Performance Services for the East Bay Regional Park District Retirement Plan (Transamerica)
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 009 (attached)

In response to a question from Director Lane as to whether the contract amount may be too high, CFO Rubaloff stated that while the District has used this same entity before, it was never under a contract. She added that fees are paid by District administrators. Director Sutter commented that the District still has a responsibility to know whether the amount being charged is reasonable; AGM Collins answered that staff will come back to the Finance Committee with some fee information. GM O'Brien added that since the contract term is for only a year, it would be possible to send out a Request for Proposal for upcoming years.

D-I-k. Authorization to Renew the Contract With Bartel Associates, LLC to Provide Actuarial Services for the East Bay Regional Park District Retirement Plans
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 010 (attached)

D-I-l. Authorization to Increase the Annual Expenditure Amount for Offsite Record Storage with Iron Mountain Record Management
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 011 (attached)

D-I-m. Authorization to Update the Application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for Federal Transportation Funds: San Pablo Bay Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 012 (attached)

D-I-n. Authorization to Enter Into a Contract With Stellar Environmental Solutions, Inc. to Implement Corrective Action Plan, Provide Remedial Services and Groundwater Monitoring, and Amend the 2010 Budget: Redwood Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 013 (attached)

D-I-o. Authorization to Negotiate With Various Property Owners
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 014 (attached)

D-I-p. Authorization to Award a Contract to URS Corporation for Preliminary Engineering, Survey, Geotechnical Studies, and Environmental Clearance Pursuant to CEQA: San Francisco Bay Trail/Pinole Shores to Bayfront Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 015 (attached)

D-I-q. Approval of Five Year Grazing License to Ned Wood: Briones Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 016 (attached)

Director Sutter asked why the staff report referred to Alameda County when in fact Briones and Las Trampas Regional Parks are located in Contra Costa County; according to David Amme, Wildland Vegetation Program Manager, the staff report incorrectly referenced Alameda County and should have indicated Contra Costa County. Staff will make the necessary changes to the adopted resolution.

D-I-r. Authorization to Enter Into a Cost-Sharing Agreement with Water Agencies for the Quagga/ Zebra Mussel Inspection Program: Del Valle Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 017 (attached)

- D-1-s. Authorization to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Bay Area Quagga Mussel Consortium
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 018 (attached)

In response to a question by Director Lane, Parks Chief Jack Kenny stated that there are no downsides to becoming part of the Consortium, that membership will give the potential for receiving additional funding and will also allow the District to be a participant in the formulation of regulations.

2. PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
D-2-a. Approval of Park Advisory Committee Goals for 2010
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 019 (attached)

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

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp
Directors Absent: None.

President Siden acknowledged the presence of outgoing 2009 PAC Chair Rich Guarienti, incoming 2010 PAC Chair Glen Kirby, and PAC member Bob Coomber. Legislative Administrative Services Manager Erich Pfuehler gave a brief presentation of the 2010 PAC Goals. Mr. Kirby acknowledged the contributions by Mr. Guarienti and the PAC subcommittees, and stated that he looks forward to working with the Board, District staff and the PAC membership in completing the 2010 Workplan and providing useful information to the Board. Mr. Guarienti expressed his gratitude for the Board's support of the PAC.

Director Lane requested staff to inform Board members whenever the PAC schedules a field trip.

3. LAND DIVISION
D-3-a. Authorization to Renew a Cost Sharing Agreement with the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy and Accept and Appropriate \$100,000 for Land Acquisition-Related Costs
Resolution No. 2010 – I - 020 (attached)

By motion of Director Radke, and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve item D-3-a.

Directors Present: Whitney Dotson, Beverly Lane, Ted Radke, Carol Severin, Doug Siden,
John Sutter, Ayn Wieskamp
Directors Absent: None.

AGM for Land Acquisition Bob Doyle gave a brief presentation on this item, stating that authorization will allow the receipt and appropriation from the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy funds in two equal payments totaling \$100,000 for shared land acquisition-related costs on future Habitat Conservancy Plan projects.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORT
D-4-a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

General Manager Pat O'Brien spoke about the current budget situation in Sacramento and discussed the other items listed on the report.

Director Sutter asked that there also be a discussion with relevant individuals during the upcoming NRPA Legislative Forum in Washington DC on issues of interest to the District, such as the Concord Naval Weapons Station as an example.

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Reservations Supervisor Tiffany Margulici gave a presentation on the District's Reservations Department and its staff, their duties and responsibilities. In addition to taking program registrations, the department is also responsible for processing family, group, equestrian and backpack camping reservations, group picnic reservations, swimming notifications, pool rentals, indoor facilities reservations and the issuance of a variety of special-use permits. Ms. Margulici also cited statistical data showing various trends, such as longer camping durations, increased calls received via cell phones and last minute program registrations.

GM O'Brien continued with the Public Safety report. Director Lane requested staff to include the specific location of incidents reported on the Iron Horse Trail given its length.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

President Siden announced that the Board voted unanimously (7-0) to deny the claim of J. Johnson.

7. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. EBMUD/EBRPD Liaison Committee (10-29-09) (Siden)

Director Sutter mentioned that he would like to have a discussion on the Pinole Valley Mitigation Bank with EBMUD, which was noted by AGM Rosemary Cameron.

- b. Finance Committee (11-19-09) (Lane)

Director Lane asked that a correction be made on page 5 to change the reference to Operations Committee to Natural and Cultural Resources Committee.

- c. Operations Committee (11-19-09) (Severin)

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Announced that GM O'Brien will be receiving an award as "Outstanding Administrator" at the next CPRS conference in March;
- Announced that Director Lane has an exhibit opening soon in the Contra Costa County Museum in Martinez on the Civil War in California and the San Ramon Valley;
- Attended the CNWS meeting in Concord;
- Spoke about a 1969 newspaper clipping from the Martinez News Gazette showing Hulet Hornbeck receiving the deed to Shadow Cliffs from Kaiser Quarries.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the East Bay EDA Vision Awards on January 8 where GM O'Brien received an award;
- Will be attending the ACSDA meeting and Alameda County Mayors Conference in Livermore;
- Asked about the new contract with Golden Gate Fields as cited in a recent news article and its status.

Director Dotson did not report on meetings attended.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Complimented the Public Affairs staff for their recent work on District publicity in various media;
- Spoke about a news article on the actions of Mid Peninsula Regional Open Space on sudden oak death and asked staff to see if it is applicable to the District;
- Attended the recent East Bay EDA Vision Awards event;
- Requested that this Board meeting be adjourned in honor of Park District friends Wes McClure, former City Manager of San Leandro for many years, and Cecil Riley, former City Manager of Oakland in the 70's, who both recently passed away.

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Complimented Public Affairs staff on the wonderful pictures used in the 2010 Calendar;
- Mentioned the passing of Park District supporter Byron Athan, who was a former City Attorney, Councilmember and Mayor for San Ramon;
- Attended the Contra Costa County Mayors Conference in Pleasant Hill;
- Went to Quarry Lakes and viewed the Christmas tree project/event, wherein a thousand trees were donated.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the East Bay EDA Vision Awards;
- Attended a meeting with Oakland Zoo officials with Directors Siden and Sutter and District staff;
- Will be attending the Alameda County Mayors Conference and ACSDA meetings coming up.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the East Bay Legislators and EDA Vision Awards;
- Will be attending the Alameda County CSDA meeting tomorrow;
- Will be attending the San Leandro Leadership Group meeting on January 15;
- Will be attending the MLK Jr. Rally on January 18;
- Will be attending the PCL Conference in Sacramento on January 30;
- Handed out District hats to the Board members;

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rich Guarienti gave favorable comments on some of his recent hikes within the District.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. by Board President Siden in memory of former District employee John Hellman, and Byron Athan, Wes McClure and Cecil Riley.

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2010 – I - 001 to 2010 - I - 020
Board Committee Reports