

The Board Meeting, which was held on May 4, 2010 at the EBRPD Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605 was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Doug Siden.

ROLL CALL

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

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 2:06 p.m. by Board President Doug Siden.

Staff Present Included: Bob Doyle (Acting for GM O'Brien), Ted Radosevich, Carol Victor, Mike Anderson, Mark Pearson, Rosemary Cameron, Police Chief Tim Anderson, John Escobar, Anne Scheer, Nancy Wenninger, Linda Wu, Pam Burnor, Capt. Mark Ruppenthal, Sgt. Lance Brede, Lt. Wayne Morimoto, Lt. Jon King, Susan Gonzales, Anne Rockwell, Nancy Moorehead.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of Director Severin and seconded by Director Wieskamp, 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.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carlo Vecchiarelli addressed the Board regarding his concerns against the Russell City Energy Center. He stated that the area is seismically unstable, and was important for migratory waterfowl and other species of concern that may be affected by noise and lighting from the power plant. He added that the EIR was not conducted properly.

C. 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.

- C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of April 10, 2010 through April 22, 2010
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 105 (attached)
- C-I-b. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 2, 2010
- C-I-c. Authorization to Amend License Agreement with Contra Costa County Redevelopment Agency to Add a 6,200 s.f. Gravel Parking Lot at Lisa Lane in Pleasant Hill: Iron Horse Regional Trail
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 106 (attached)
- C-I-d. Authorization to Purchase Western Red Cedar from Golden State Lumber, Inc.
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 107 (attached)
- C-I-e. Approval of a Two-Year Extension of the Row Chabot Special Use Agreement:
Lake Chabot Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 108 (attached)
- C-I-f. Authorization to Enter Into a One-Year Concession Agreement With Rocky Mountain Recreation Company for the Marina and Food Concession: Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 109 (attached)
- C-I-g. Acceptance of Bid for Chip Seal and Striping: Temescal Regional Recreation Area
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 110 (attached)
- C-I-i. Resolution to Oppose Pending State Legislation AB 1805 (Calderon) To Exempt Projects From Judicial Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 111 (attached)
- C-I-j. Resolution to Support Pending Federal Legislation HR 4722 (Blumenauer) - The Active Community Transportation Act
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 112 (attached)

Director Lane asked that item C-I-h be removed for separate comment and vote.

By motion of Director Lane and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve Item C-I-h:

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

Directors Absent: None.

- C-I-h. Authorization to Extend the Management Agreement with the City of Fremont to Operate Ardenwood Historic Farm
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 113 (attached)

Director Lane asked if the revenues were increasing as compared to the costs incurred in running the facility. John Escobar, AGM for Operations, confirmed that it is an expensive operation, especially since it includes a subsidy for the use of the Patterson House, the SPCRR, as well as utility expenses. He stated, however, that the

revenues generated in 2009 exceeded estimates. GM O'Brien added that the land use plan calls for added facilities which, although capital intensive, will help generate future revenues.

2. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION

C-2-a. Authorization to Designate December 31, 2009 General Fund Revenue in Excess of Expenditures as Fund Balance Designated for Smoothing of Budget Revenues Over Three to Five Years
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 114 (attached)

By motion of Director Severin and seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Board voted unanimously to approve item C-2-a.

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

Directors Absent: None.

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, stated that this item is the formal implementation of policy that was discussed at this year's Board workshops. He explained that this action will take the positive 2009 fund balance and used as a one-time source to help the District bridge the fiscal gap in the coming 3 years as a result of the continued decline in property tax revenues. Mr. Collins added that typically, staff will go to the Board for authority for mid-year appropriations for one-time projects whenever there is a positive fund balance from the previous year. He clarified, however, that this infusion does not guarantee that the District will not reduce its budget for 2011. In response to Director Sutter's question, AGM Collins stated that the reserve for economic uncertainty is separate from this fund balance.

3. LAND DIVISION

C-3-a Authorization to Acquire Fee Interest and Transfer Funds for the Purchase of 96.64± Acres of Real Property from Thuel V. and Vive L. Schuhart: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 115 (attached)

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

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

Directors Absent: None.

Bob Doyle, AGM for Land Division, gave a presentation on this item, stating that the owners have agreed to sell this property composed of 2 separate parcels at an independently appraised fair market value of \$2.4 million. Mr. Doyle added that the Schuhart family had previously sold 240 acres to the District in 1992; in order to memorialize the Schuhart's significant role in the realization of a regional park atop Pleasanton Ridge, the District has proposed to name a large pond in the property or a to-be-determined trail after Mr. Schuhart or the Schuhart family. Funding for the purchase and other costs will be provided as follows:

Prop 40 (RZH)	\$ 1,400,000
Measure WW	72,101
Measure AA/AA Interest	881,999
Land Exchange Fund	100,000

C-3-b. Authorization to Award a Contract to Questa Engineering Corporation and Appropriate Funds to Prepare Preliminary Design and an Environmental Impact Report for the Breuner Property Restoration and Public Access Project: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline
Resolution No. 2010 – 5 - 116 (attached)

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

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

Bob Doyle, AGM for Land Division, gave a brief background on the history of the Breuner Property acquisition. He stated that while the case is under appeal, he is confident in the District's position. Mr. Doyle added that the District needs to move the project forward, and that staff is trying to fund both the extension of the Bay Trail and the restoration of the property, which is estimated at a total cost of \$7,000,000. Federal and State funding is necessary; in order for the District to be in the best competitive position to receive these funds, more information and details on the project will be required, and this proposed contract to Questa Engineering will be to provide the preliminary project design and EIR. Brad Olson, Environmental Program Manager, provided more details of the project and the proposed contract with Questa. Mr. Olson added that the District hopes to receive a \$1 million grant from the Castro Cove Natural Resource Damage Assessment, as well as another \$1 million grant from the US Fish and Wildlife Service/National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program. Other possible sources include Wildlife Conservation Board, California Coastal Conservancy and NOAA.

Jeff Peters, Principal, Questa Engineering, addressed the Board and spoke about their internship and jobs program, which they will integrate into their proposed project with the District.

Director Dotson, who lives within 500 feet of the Breuner Marsh area, recused himself from the meeting at this time and did not participate in the vote.

4. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

C-4-a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

GM Pat O'Brien discussed those items listed on the staff report.

5. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

GIS Coordinator Dave Drueckhammer and GIS Programmer/Analyst Meg Peterson provided a presentation previewing the District's on-line GIS software called Parkview II used to provide mapping communications. They stated that one of Parkview's applications is to report when features in parks are upgraded to meet ADA standards. Another application is to generate mailing lists using the "parcel" feature within Parkview. Parkview II is the beta version of Parkview and is being designed for a friendly user-interface.

Bob Doyle, AGM for Land Division, updated the Board on his recent trip to Washington DC to participate in several meetings sponsored by President Barack Obama. Some notable meetings were with First Lady Michelle Obama's staff on her initiative on dealing with childhood obesity and with Department of Transportation personnel regarding "Livable Communities". Mr. Doyle added that he participated as a panel member with other urban parks agency representatives.

Director Dotson suggested that it may be a good idea to have a group of individuals from Washington DC come over and tour the District and its resources.

GM Pat O'Brien reported on his participation in the recent International Healthy Parks, Healthy People Conference in Australia and visit to Parks Victoria, together with AGM Dave Collins.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

Board President Siden stated that there are no announcements from the Closed Session.

7. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Finance Committee | (3-24-10) | (Severin) |
| b. | LARPD/EBPRD Liaison Committee | (3-01-10) | (Wieskamp/Severin) |
| c. | Legislative Committee | (2-19-10) | (Radke) |

Director Siden asked that the minutes of the Legislative Committee meeting be revised to reflect his absence and that Director Sutter was attending on his behalf.

Director Ayn Wieskamp presented Director Beverly Lane the “Growing Smarter Together – Distinguished Leadership” award which she received on Director Lane’s behalf, given by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), at a recent ABAG meeting.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the Trails and Greenways conference in Cambria where she was recognized for her work on the Iron Horse Trail. She added that AGM Doyle was presented a Lifetime Achievement Award at this same event;
- Attended a meeting of the Contra Costa Council and heard Cong. Garamendi speak about being in Congress;
- With Director Wieskamp, went on a trip to Niles Canyon with the Tri-Valley Elected Women’s group, stopping at the Brickyard. Because of this they missed the April 9 Board field trip and will try and re-schedule;
- Attended the field trip to the Lawrence Livermore National Lab;
- Visited Briones Regional Park, did a Walk and Talk hike with State Senator Corbett at Coyote Hills, saw Tartan Days at Ardenwood;
- Visited Public Safety for the CALEA Accreditation Open House.

Director Sutter reported on meetings attended. Director Sutter

- Will be off for about a month to visit South Africa;
- Attended with BCDC staff a meeting in San Francisco related to the Oak to Ninth project in Oakland;
- Attended meetings of Waterfront Action, San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority and EBMUD Liaison Committee;
- Attended Jack Kenny’s retirement event;
- Had a meeting with AFSCME Local 2428 Business Manager Brenda Woods and Dee Rosario;
- Attended the Board field trip;
- Attended the dedication of the new bridge in San Leandro;

- Attended the Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame Luncheon, wherein one of the awardees was Sandra Threlfall of Waterfront Action and former PAC member;
- Asked that staff provide an update at a later time on the radio towers issue at Vargas Plateau;
- Mentioned receiving letters from people involved with the Dunsmuir House which stated that the Hellman family of San Francisco, who used to own the property, may be interested in buying in back. Director Sutter suggested that this may be worth looking at.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Attended part of the Board field trip;
- Attended meetings of the Contra Costa County Liaison Committee as well as the Contra Costa County Special Districts Association;
- Attended the birthday/fundraising event for Cong. George Miller;
- Will be attending the Martinez Waterfront agency meeting in Martinez.

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Niles Canyon train ride with Director Lane, which gave attendees a view of the base of Vargas Plateau;
- Attended the Walk and Talk event with Sen. Corbett;
- Spoke about the Cowboy Extravaganza event;
- Attended the Tartan Days event at Ardenwood and the LLNL tour with other Board members;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference held at the Stonebrae Country Club;
- Attended the Newark State of the City event;
- Attended the South Bay Chinese Service Club Scholarship Award event in Newark;
- Attended the Board meeting held at the AC Transit offices in Oakland;
- Attended the Fremont Leadership Breakfast meeting;
- Met with Local 2428 representatives;
- Attended the Oakland League of Women Voters luncheon event;
- Went on a field trip to Alvarado.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended the Board field trip, as well as the field trip to Alvarado Park with PAC members.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended meetings of the EBMUD Liaison committee, HASPA, and the ABAG Planning committee;
- Attended the recent Board meetings, as well as Jack Kenny's retirement event;
- Attended the Board field trip;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference in Stonebrae;
- Attended the Trails and Greenways Conference in Cambria;
- Went on a shoreline tour with various District staff;
- Attended the League of Women Voters luncheon;
- Will be attending a meeting of the Alameda County Special Districts Association;
- Will be touring Garin Park;
- Will be attending a meeting of the HARD Foundation;
- Announced the upcoming Rowell Ranch Parade.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Handed out and read "Doug's Musings" publication, which enumerated his comments on various topics as well as attendance of recent meetings and upcoming events;

- Will be attending the Alameda County Special Districts Association meeting;
- Will be representing the District at the Annual Children's Memorial event in Oakland;
- Attending a "Call of the Sea" sailing event that takes children on educational sailing trips on the bay.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Soderstrom, PAC member, addressed the Board and stated his appreciation of staff's hospitality and that he found the Board meetings very informative.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned by Board President Siden at 5:15 p.m. in honor of former District Board member Paul Badger who passed away on March 3, 2010.

Director Radke mentioned that Paul Badger was also very active in the efforts to annex Contra Costa County, and that he worked closely with him when he was in the Martinez City Council. Director Radke also stated that Mr. Badger was the person who encouraged him to run for District Board member, was a strong parks supporter and a great guy.

Respectfully submitted:

Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2010 – 5 - 105 to 2010 - 5 – 116.
Board Committee Report