

The Board Meeting, which was held on May 17, 2011 at the EBRPD Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605 was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Board President Beverly Lane.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Directors Absent: John Sutter, Treasurer

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 President Beverly Lane.

Staff Present Included: Bob Doyle, Dave Collins, Ted Radosevich, Police Chief Tim Anderson, John Escobar, Nancy Wenninger, Carol Johnson, Carol Victor, Jeff Wilson, Shelly Lewis, Isa Polt-Jones, Anne Scheer, Jim Townsend, Mona Koh,

**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

**B. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no Public Comments at this time.

**C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

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

C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of April 19, 2011 through May 1, 2011  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 104 (attached)

C-I-b Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of May 3, 2011

President Lane asked that the motion for item B-I.a: Approval of the Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area Land Use Plan Amendment, be modified to indicate that the Board, in adopting the resolution, also asked that the phrase “*a space for educational classes*” be added to the 8<sup>th</sup> bullet revision to “Park Facilities/Page 6”.

C-I-c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 105 (attached)

C-I-d. Authorization to Transfer Budget Between Funds and Purchase One Ford Liquefied Petroleum Gas-Fueled Van  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 106 (attached)

C-I-e. Authorization to Purchase One Ford Dump Truck and One Ford Pick-up Truck  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 107 (attached)

C-I-f. Authorization to Purchase One Kubota Tractor  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 108 (attached)

C-I-g. Authorization to Enter into a License Agreement with East Bay Municipal Utility District for Operation and Maintenance of the Access Road: Kennedy Grove Regional Recreation Area  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 109 (attached)

C-I-h. Authorization to Award a ~~Tiger II-Funded~~ Contract to Nolte Associates for Preliminary Design and Environmental Services for the Martinez Intermodal Center to Crockett Segment: San Francisco Bay Trail  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 110 (attached)

Director Radke asked if the recommended action would obligate federal funding for the actual repairs. Jim Townsend, Trails Development Program Manager, stated that while it will not, an E76 letter has been received by staff authorizing funding for the preliminary engineering and design work. Completion of this phase will be a step towards obligating federal funds to cover the repair work.

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, also clarified that the reference to “Tiger II-Funded” should be deleted – while it is a Tiger II project, it is not Tiger II-funded.

C-I-i. Authorization to Apply for Grant Funds from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Hiring of up to Three Police Officers  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 111 (attached)

## 2. LAND DIVISION

C-2-a. Authorization to Enter into an Option, Purchase and Sale Agreement and to Transfer Funds for the Acquisition from the Anne and Jason Farber Foundation Inc. of 67± Acres of Real Property: Brushy Peak Regional Preserve  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 112 (attached)

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

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

Nancy Wenninger, AGM for Land Division, provided a brief presentation on this item and the acquisition's importance:

- preserves important alkali/grassland habitat for rare and protected flora and fauna;
- adds to the permanent "green space" east of Laughlin Road;
- expands Brushy Peak Regional Preserve under EBRPD ownership;
- provides an opportunity for additional public access and trails.

Financial details were provided as follows:

City of Livermore	\$ 1,000,000
Altamont Landfill Committee Grant	1,000,000
EBRPD Gen. Fund/Murray Township & REP	<u>685,000</u>
	\$ 2,685,000

Director Wieskamp commented that she is pleased to see this move forward as it will provide a great benefit not only to the citizens of Livermore but the whole valley, and that it will not be difficult to establish a staging area and loop-trail.

### **3. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION**

C-3-a. Authorization to Amend the 2011 Budget, Appropriate Funds and Close Measure WW Local Grant Program Projects  
Resolution No. 2011 – 5 - 113 (attached)

By motion of Director Siden and seconded by Director Dotson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt item C-3-a.

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

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, provided a brief presentation on this item, stating that this is the annual Measure WW Local Grant Program appropriation. He added that staff has received 28 applications by the deadline; this action before the Board accepts these projects as valid Measure WW projects and also asks the Board for a slight increase of the 2011 budget for WW disbursements to local agencies. In addition, there are 10 projects that will be closed due to its completion.

At the request of Director Wieskamp, staff will be providing her with an update on the Patterson House Rehabilitation project. She also commented that the City of Fremont has been using their WW funds wisely for replacement and rehabilitation of existing facilities.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AFSCME/LOCAL 2428 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

There were no Public Comments at this time.

## 5. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

### a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

GM Bob Doyle discussed the item listed in the staff report on the San Ramon General Plan.

GM Doyle also provided an update on the Governor's May Revise on the State Budget – the State deficit is still about \$9.6 billion. The Governor has outlined about \$10.8 billion in “solutions” which means budget cuts or other ways of saving money. The cuts in the May Revise are serious: it includes the elimination of 43 departments, Boards and Commissions, as well as 5,500 employees. There will also be the closure of 70 out of 270 state parks. Under the Resources Agency, the Department of Parks and Recreation was cut by \$11 million. There is also the elimination of nine advisory boards for the Department of Fish and Game.

## 6. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Shelly Lewis, acting Community Relations Manager, provided a presentation on the Public Affairs Division's communication strategy with the region's diverse communities using available ethnic media – television, radio, print and on-line. From the results of the 2010 Census, Ms. Lewis confirmed that the Bay Area is one of the most diverse areas of the nation: for example, in the East Bay, Hispanic-Americans grew by 40% and now make up 17% of East Bay residents. The fastest growing group at 74% is the Indian-American group. Ms. Lewis stated that this is the changing face of the East Bay and is important for the District to consider as it moves forward. She added that the ethnic communities rely more on ethnic media.

Director Radke commented that it may be confusing to use Indian-Americans compared to using East Indians when referring to communities from India, Pakistan, etc.

On behalf of the family of Roger Epperson, GM Doyle thanked the Board and District staff for their work and attendance at the Epperson Ridge Dedication event on May 14, 2011.

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

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

## 8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. EBMUD/EBRPD Liaison Committee (4-15-11) (Lane)
- b. Executive Committee (4-28-11) (Lane)

## 9. BOARD COMMENTS

- 1) Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson
  - Attended the community meeting regarding Alvarado Park held by District staff, stating that it appeared the major concern from the public was the intrusion of the parking lot into the park. He believed there is a need to explore other alternatives and opportunities, which may/may not exist, to reach consensus with the broader community.
- 2) Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden
  - Attended the annual Oakland Chambers of Commerce luncheon where Mayor Jean Quan spoke;

- Regarding the Bart to Bay trail, is coordinating a meeting with Bart Director Robert Rayburn, Lee Huo of ABAG, to discuss its status;
- Was invited to meet with David Ralston to meet regarding the San Leandro Greenway;
- Attended the Alameda County CSDA meeting held at Zone 7 with Directors Wieskamp and Severin;
- Attended the annual Bay Area Open Space Conference at the Presidio in San Francisco last week;
- Attended the Alameda Boys and Girls Club Dedication on May 14;
- Will be attending the Volunteer Appreciation event at Cull Canyon on May 25.

3) Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- Attended the Alameda County CSDA meeting at Zone 7;
- Will be attending the HASPA 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary event on May 21;
- Will be attending the Volunteer Appreciation event at Cull Canyon on May 25;
- Announced that the Rowell Ranch Rodeo event is coming up Saturday and Sunday this weekend.

4) Director Radke provided the following comments; Director Radke

- Stated that he visited the Martinez Waterfront Park a few times and noticed that the park parking lots are full without the commensurate number of park users, and believes that Amtrak users may be using the lots instead and may have to be given some sort of notification;
- Attended Cong. George Miller's annual anniversary fundraiser event at Waterfront Park where he also spoke to Assembly member Nancy Skinner;
- Attended the District's Sacramento Legislative Staff lunch event.

5) Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference in Livermore
- Attended the Alameda County Lafco meeting;
- Attended the Epperson Ridge Dedication event;
- Attended the Elected Women's Event, where she saw former District Board member Jocelyn Coombs;
- Announced a Livermore Chamber event on June 8 where State Controller John Chiang will be speaking;
- Asked about the status of the restroom installation at Mission Peak. AGM Escobar stated that there were delays due to the weather but that it should be completed soon;
- Asked about the progress of improving parking at the Stanford Staging area. AGM Mike Anderson stated that staff is still working on the plan but will keep her informed;
- Announced that she is schedule to undergo surgery and will need alternates for the June 16 Operations and June 17 Legislative Committee meetings to attend on her behalf.

6) Director Lane reported on meetings attended. Director Lane

- Attended the Epperson Ridge dedication event on May 14, stating that it was well attended;
- Attended the EBMUD Breakfast in Lafayette, where John Coleman provided a report on EBMUD;
- Attended the District's Sacramento Legislative Staff lunch;
- Attended the Equestrian Trail Safety Patrol meeting, and suggested that staff provide their group copies of Regional In Nature to give them more information on District events;
- Attended the Bay Area Open Space Conference held at the Presidio in San Francisco;
- Visited Iron Horse Trail, and also attended the Black Diamond Mines' Descendants picnic event'
- Attended the memorial for Nancy Oswald, wife of Peter Oswald, former member of the Regional Park Foundation;
- Will be attending the Volunteer Recognition Event at Cull Canyon on May 25;
- Will be presenting an update on the Park District to the San Ramon and Danville City Councils.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no Public Comments at this time.

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2011 - 5 - 104 to 2011 - 5 - 113