

The Board Meeting, which was held on May 19, 2009 at the Administrative Building, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA, was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

## ROLL CALL

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

Directors Absent: Beverly Lane, John Sutter

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 2:04 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke.

Staff Present Included: Pat O'Brien, Ted Radosevich, Dave Collins, Mark Ruppenthal, Jon King, Carol Johnson, John Escobar, Mimi Waluch, Shelly Lewis, Jeff Rasmussen, Jack Kenny, Rosemary Cameron, Carol Victor.

### A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

### B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of AFSCME Local 2428 addressed the Board to comment on their frustration on the lack of progress regarding the current labor negotiation with District management. They emphasized that the current proposal of a one-year contract by the management team is not acceptable; they asked for a three year contract.

### C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

#### I. CONSENT CALENDAR

By motion of Director Siden, seconded by Director Wieskamp, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

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

- C-I-a. Approval of District Check Listing for the Period of April 25, 2009 through May 8, 2009  
Resolution No. 2009-5-123 (attached)
- C-I-b. Approval of the Minutes for the Board Meeting of May 5, 2009

- C-I-c. Authorization to Negotiate with Various Property Owners  
Resolution No. 2009-5-124 (attached)
- C-I-d. Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Directors Whitney Dotson, Carol Severin, Doug Siden, John Sutter and Ted Radke to Attend the 2009 Special Park Districts Forum, June 8 – 12, 2009 in Libertyville, Illinois  
Resolution No. 2009-5-125 (attached)
- C-I-e. Authorization to Apply for Grant Funds from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District for the Development of the Bay Trail at Wildcat Creek Regional Trail  
Resolution No. 2009-5-126 (attached)
- C-I-f. Authorization to Apply for Grant Funds from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District for the Retrofit of Diesel Truck Engines  
Resolution No. 2009-5-127 (attached)
- C-I-g. Authorization to Purchase Two Oil Spill Response Trailers  
Resolution No. 2009-5-128 (attached)
- C-I-h. Authorization to Enter into a Special Use Agreement with the University of California Cooperative Extension for the Alameda County Master Gardener Program: Quarry Lakes Regional Recreation Area  
Resolution No. 2009-5-129 (attached)
- C-I-i. Authorization to Purchase Two Kubota Tractors  
Resolution No. 2009-5-130 (attached)
- C-I-j. Authorization to Execute a License Agreement with Contra Costa County for Access to an Adjacent Communication Site: Wildcat Canyon Regional Park  
Resolution No. 2009-5-131 (attached)
- C-I-k. Approval of the City of Berkeley's Proposed Long-Term Use Agreement with College Preparatory School at the Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex: Eastshore State Park  
Resolution No. 2009-5-132 (attached)
- Berkeley City Mayor Tom Bates expressed his appreciation in advance of the Board's favorable consideration of this item.
- C-I-l. Authorization to Accept the Bid for Construction of a Trail Extension: Big Break Regional Trail  
Resolution No. 2009-5-133 (attached)
- C-I-m. Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the Oakland Unified School District for the Use of District Swimming Pools, Lagoons, Shoreline Parks and Lakes  
Resolution No. 2009-5-134 (attached)
- C-I-n. Authorization to Extend and Update the Three-Party Interagency Agreement Between Union Sanitary District, East Bay Dischargers Authority and the East Bay Regional Park District for the Operation of Hayward Marsh  
Resolution No. 2009-5-135 (attached)

C-1-o. Authorization for the President of the Board of Directors to Use a Facsimile Signature in Lieu of a Personal Signature on District Resolutions, Ordinances and Other Official Papers, Documents or Instruments  
Resolution No. 2009-5-136 (attached)

2. FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

C-2-a. Authorization to Amend the 2009 Budget and Appropriate Funds to the Measure WW Local Grant Program  
Resolution No. 2009-5-137 (attached)

By motion of Director Wieskamp, seconded by Director Siden, item C-2-a was unanimously approved.

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

Dave Collins, AGM for Finance and Management Services, gave a presentation, stating that since Measure WW is not part of the 2009 Budget process this item is the necessary step to appropriate funds for the grant applications received by the District for Local Grant Program component of Measure WW.

Director Dotson asked why only one of the several project applications submitted by the City of Richmond was included in the list presented by staff. Grants Manager Jeff Rasmussen stated that only one project met the CEQA requirement; he has already communicated with City staff who will re-apply next year.

C-2-b. Authorization to Amend the 2009 Budget and Appropriate Measure WW Funds to Land Acquisition Projects  
Resolution No. 2009-5-138 (attached)

By motion of Director Severin, seconded by Director Wieskamp, item C-2-b was unanimously approved.

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

AGM Collins gave a brief explanation on this item, stating that this is the initial result as well of the Measure WW program.

3. BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

a. Actions Taken by Other Jurisdictions Affecting the Park District

GM O'Brien discussed the items listed on the report.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Interpretive and Recreation Services Manager Nancy Kaiser gave a presentation showing the Interpretive Services Unit's accomplishments of 2008, as well plans for outreach and opportunities for 2009.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CLOSED SESSION

There were no announcements from the Closed Session.

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| a. | Executive Committee   | (3-26-09) | (Radke)   |
| b. | Legislative Committee | (3-27-09) | (Radke)   |
| c. | Operations Committee  | (4-16-09) | (Severin) |

GM O'Brien commented that the due to unexpected delays with the construction contracts, the Don Castro swim area will not be open for summer, including the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. AGM for Operations John Escobar added that getting the lagoon open with the existing chlorine set-up just will be too costly for a short operational period (30 days).

7. BOARD COMMENTS

Director Wieskamp reported on meetings attended. Director Wieskamp

- Attended the LAFCO meeting;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference in Fremont;
- Attended the LARPD Liaison Committee meeting;
- Attended the Scottish Games reception;
- Attended the Legislative Committee meeting;
- Attended the Fire Truck day at Ardenwood on Sunday, May 17;
- Will be attending the Volunteer Recognition event at Cull Canyon on May 20;
- Will be attending the Alameda County Mayors Conference in at the Ohlone College in Newark, including a "Green Tour" that will be provided by the City Mayor prior to the meeting;
- Observed the problem of vehicle congestion going into Shadow Cliffs this past weekend; GM O'Brien stated that staff is looking at short- and long-term solutions.

Director Severin reported on meetings attended. Director Severin

- will attend the Natural and Cultural Resources Committee meeting for Director Lane;
- will attend the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic at Cull Canyon;
- asked about the status and disposition of the District's mobile stage; Community Relations Manager Carol Johnson stated that selling the unit will be up to Maintenance Superintendent Stephen Gehrett. Director Severin asked for an update at the next Operations Committee meeting.

Director Siden reported on meetings attended. Director Siden

- Attended the Save the Bay's Annual Luncheon;
- Attended a meeting of Friends of Oakland Parks;
- Attended the East Bay EDA Spring membership meeting (instead of the Legislative staff lunch in Sacramento);
- Attended the Concerts at the Cove event;
- Attended the staff presentation on the Serpentine Prairie on May 11;
- Attended the Alameda County CSDA's spring meeting at ACMAD;
- Attended the Alameda County Mayors Conference in Fremont;
- Attended the luncheon event sponsored by the City of Alameda's Parks and Recreation at the Mastick Center for seniors where he, together with other Rotary Club members, served as waiters;
- Arranged for MLK Freedom Center staff to meet CSSC program personnel so that they can work to introduce inner city youth to CSSC;
- Attended the State of the City address by Alameda's Mayor and City Manager sponsored by the Alameda Chamber of Commerce;
- Attended the Bay Area Storytelling Festival reception;
- Attended Geneva Dinwiddie's retirement event;

- Will attend the Waterfront Action meeting tonight;
- Will attend the Volunteer Recognition event and will speak on behalf of Director Radke;
- Will attend the Regional Parks Foundation Board meeting on May 21 on behalf of Director Radke;
- Mentioned a May 1st SF Chronicle article wherein Contra Costa County Assessor Gus Kramer was quoted as saying that 2010 and 2011 will be worse in terms of declining property values.

Director Dotson reported on meetings attended. Director Dotson

- Attended the Legislative staff lunch in Sacramento;
- Participated in a community clean-up project for high school students at Breuner Marsh coordinated by District naturalist Bethany Facendini;
- Conducted a tour of Pt. Pinole regarding fuel maintenance with Park Supervisor John Hitchen;
- Attended the PAC meeting on May 18;
- Will attend the Natural/Cultural Resources Committee and Operations Committee meetings this week.

Director Radke reported on meetings attended. Director Radke

- Thanked Director Siden for filling in for him for at the Volunteer Picnic and Regional Park Foundation meetings coming up;
- Attended the Legislative staff lunch in Sacramento;
- Attended a meeting between District staff and Legislative personnel at Big Break/Delta Science Center regarding the status of the development process and for a discussion of possible additional funding sources;
- Attended Geneva Dinwiddie's retirement celebration;
- Attended Cong. George Miller's annual birthday event held in Contra Costa County;
- Mentioned a Sunday newspaper column by Martin Snapp acknowledging the District's support of the annual Nisei Veterans Memorial event at Roberts Park;
- Mentioned the passing of Jim Kenny, a great public servant from Contra Costa County. Director Radke thanked the family for his services.

#### D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments at this time.

#### E. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. by Board President Ted Radke in honor of the late Brian O'Neill, GGNRA General Superintendent, who passed away last week. Mr. O'Neill was instrumental in the creation of GGNRA, the conversion of the Presidio to a National Park and was a founding member of the Bay Area Open Space Council and Bay Area Ridge Trail.

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Allen Pulido, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: Visitors Log, Resolution Nos. 2009-5-123 to 2009-5-138  
Board Committee Reports