

Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

October 18, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was convened by Chair Steve Hoagland at 6:30 p.m. at the Ambrose Community Center, 3105 Willow Pass Road, Bay Point, CA.

1. **Opening Ceremonies:**

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Garcia, Dawson, Hoagland, Cendaña-Torlakson, Kopitar (6:40)
Staff Present: Smith, Rodrigues
Audience Present: Approx. 35

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Steve Hoagland

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: Move to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: Cendaña-Torlakson **Second:** Dawson

Action: **Voice Vote:** 4 ayes/1 absent (Kopitar)/Motion Passed

4. **Consent Calendar:**

Motion: Move to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion: Garcia **Second:** Dawson

Action: **Roll Call Vote:** 4 ayes/1 absent (Kopitar)/Motion Passed

5. **Presentations:**

a. **Yard of the Month Awards**

None of the winners for this month were present to accept their awards

b. **Ambrose/Pittsburg Lions Club presentation on the Urban Farm Service Project**

Mr. Ken Gurley stated that they would like to start a "Lions Pride Farm" to farm organic produce to be given to low income families. He requested a letter of recommendation advocating the project from Ambrose Recreation & Park District. Mr. Gurley also said they were looking for empty properties where they could construct raised beds and possibly irrigation to be farmed by volunteers and other resources.

6. **General Manager's Report:**

None

7. **Legal Counsel Report:**

None

8. **Public Hearing:**

None

9. **Board Matters:**

a. **Consider acceptance of Phase I of the Ambrose Aquatics Center** (Smith) Mr. John Courteney ran a power point presentation and explained the process of the project. He said it was basically the same power point that was presented in 2009. Mr. Courteney also showed the plans for the splash pool and explained that the teaching/lap pool and the shade structure were not in the base bid plan, but in Phase II, alternates only to be included if the bids were low enough. He also went over the costs of utility, chemical and other costs involved for swimming pools. Several people spoke against the project arguing lack of public input,

disagreement with the pool configuration being recommended and lack of information on the District's website as well as existing pool renovation costs. Several residents spoke supporting the project and were very excited about it being built in the near future.

Motion: Move to approve Phase 1 of the pool project at Ambrose Park, to include the recreational spray pool and the 3 lane 25 yard pool as an add alternate and authorize the General Manager to bid the project and act as the District's Construction Manager.

Motion: Garcia **Second:** Kopitar

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

At this point the Board members made comments including popularity of play structures, code violations, costs and possible revenue, surprise at the opposition and Pittsburg having the resources and expertise of the people of a city.

b. Consider renewal of the lease with Brighter Beginnings (Smith) Mr. Smith stated that Brighter Beginnings lease for Room 13 is nearing the end of its one year agreement. He said that Brighter Beginnings requested a renewal with no changes. Mr. Smith said he agrees.

Motion: Move to approve the renewal of the lease with Brighter Beginnings for Room 13 with no changes and authorize the General Manager to prepare and sign the lease agreement.

Motion: Garcia **Second:** Dawson

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

c. Consider adoption of a letter and Resolution #12/13-01 endorsing the Fages-Crespi Monument (Smith) Mr. Smith stated that the Bay Point Historical Society had made a presentation on the project at the last meeting and were requesting these items of support. Director Garcia recused herself as she is a member of the Bay Point Historical Society.

Motion: Move to approve a letter of support and adopt Resolution #12/13-01 endorsing the Bay Point Historical Society's Fages-Crespi Monument project.

Motion: Cendaña-Torlakson **Second:** Kopitar

Action: Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes/1 abstention (Garcia)/Motion Passed

d. Consider acceptance of one of three bids to install a well at Lynbrook Park (Smith) Mr. Smith stated that when we took over the county parks we knew the L&L fees would not cover the expenses but didn't know exactly how much it would be. He stated that the parks are not on wells and the water for Lynbrook Park looks like it could be \$36,000 or more a year. Because of this he is recommending that we install a well at Lynbrook Park which would be a one-time cost. Director Dawson asked when construction will be done and Mr. Smith answered it would be 2 weeks to a month from award of contract.

Motion: Move to approve and award the low bid of #34,781 to Martell Water Systems, Inc. and authorize the General Manager to sign all documents and authorize expenditures not to exceed \$34,781.

Motion: Dawson **Second:** Garcia

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

10. Closed Session:

None

11. Public Communications:

Laura McKay said she was disappointed that there will be no pool but was excited that we will have something. Trina Hudson said she lives by Lynbrook Park and there were no restroom facilities there. She stated that the soccer leagues play there and use the edges of the park to relieve themselves and wanted to bring it to their attention. Ms. Hudson also said that the park staff is doing a great job but there is a lot of garbage left from the vendors selling snacks. She said she loves that they have their small businesses and doesn't want to see them stopped but the garbage needs to be picked up. Mr. Smith said he is finding out who runs the league to make an agreement for porta-potties for the park.

12. Committee Reports and Board Comments:

Director Garcia mentioned a group of handicapped people having dances here and is glad to see them here. Director Hoagland thanked Ms. McKay for her comments on Lynbrook Park and asked Mr. Smith to research getting doggie clean up stations for Lynbrook Park. Director Cendaña-Torlakson said she attended the Big Break Regional Shoreline grand opening and suggested everyone see it. All Board Members made positive comments on the pool project. Director Hoagland stated he is grateful for Brighter Beginnings and Spark Point and our collaboration with them. Mr. Smith said we are working with Spark Point on the Halloween Party and invited them to attend.

13. **Closing Ceremonies:**

a. Adjournment.

Motion: Move to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Garcia **Second:** Dawson

Action: Voice Vote: 5 aye/Motion Passed

Approved by the Board of Directors on _____

Signature of Board Member