

Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

April 11, 2013

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, Mason
Staff Present: Smith, Rodrigues
Audience Present: Approx. 20

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Hoagland.

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: Move to approve the agenda as presented.

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

Action: Voice Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

4. **Consent Calendar:**

Items b and d were removed for discussion and there were comments and questions by the Board on minute changes, waiving of fees, a warrant for a car window and how it happened, rebuilding of a backflow, pictures of problems in Ambrose Park, request for action only minutes.

Motion: Move to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion: Mason **Second:** Garcia

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

5. **Presentations:**

a. **Yard of the Month Awards**

3 of the 5 winners for this month were present to accept their awards

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

Mr. Smith explained a letter from Pittsburg Redevelopment and told how it would affect us.

7. **Public Communications:**

At this point there were some public comments on board member reports from conferences and information was given on the Spring Derby Parade,

8. **Legal Counsel Report:**

None

9. **Public Hearing:**

None

10. **Board Matters:**

a. **Consider approval of Director Mason to Accept Award of the James Kohnen Scholarship and Attend Training Conference for Special District Leadership Academy (Smith)** There was a short discussion on the scholarship, the three day training academy, and request for other expenses to be reimbursed.

Motion: Move to approve Director Mason to attend the Special District Leadership Academy and reimburse expenses not covered by the James Kohnen Scholarship.

Motion: Garcia **Second:** Dawson

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

b. Discuss the creation and functions of Ad-Hoc Committees of Ambrose Recreation & Park District (Cendaña-Torlakson) No action was taken on this item. There was a discussion and comments regarding reason for putting on the agenda, wanting the public to be notified of meetings, publicly appointing any committee members, meetings required to be in the district boundaries, workshops, conferences and committee meetings not under the Brown Act, renaming the ad-hoc pool committee to the pool sub-committee and no more current committee meetings being held until the changes are made. The Chair stated it would be on the next agenda.

c. Consider approval of Resolution #12/12-03 Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect Assessment (Rodrigues) Mrs. Rodrigues explained the assessment for any new audience members.

Motion: Move to approve Resolution #12/13-03 Initiating Proceedings to Levy and Collect the Assessment

Motion: Mason **Second:** Garcia

Action: Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

d. Discuss status of Ambrose Pool Project and Meetings (Smith) The Chair stated that the first Public Meeting date for the pool project is set for May 23rd. There was a comment made that it was after the next regular meeting because there are possible new funds for the project. There were comments from the public regarding waiting so long for the meeting, sending mailers to every family, selling Clearland property for funds for the splash pool, RJM, several spoke wanting the pool open, pool will help with crime, less money to repair and keep pool open, importance of safety. There were then comments by the board members regarding needs assessment study, not handicapped accessible, wanting it opened as much as the public, not being closed because of the Health Dept., money in Pittsburg accounts, bringing funds back here for more control, another company besides RJM, local consultants, listing of all public meetings held on the pool and the Board not doing it in secret.

Motion: No action taken.

11. Closed Session:

Chair Hoagland adjourned the meeting to a closed session to discuss:

a. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW

(California Government Code Section 54597)

Title: General Manager

Chair Hoagland reconvened the meeting and reported that most of the Board approved of the General Manager's performance. The contract for the General Manager was now discussed.

Motion: Move to not renew the General Manager's contract and search for a new General Manager.

Motion: Mason **Second:** Motion died for lack of a second.

There were comments by the Board regarding possible six month probationary contract, bidding issues, goals to be determined by the Board, his schedule and needing General Manager here, questions on where and when Board approval on schedule and health reimbursement, Obama Care restrictions next year, mileage reimbursement at IRS rates instead of car allowance, prior General Manager receiving car allowance, inconsistency in wording in contract on medical to be changed and severance package being too much.

Motion: Move to continue the General Manager's contract for the next year.

Motion: Dawson **Second:** Garcia

Action: Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes/ 1 no (Mason)/Motion Passed

12. Public Communications:

There were some comments by the public on the following: At the January meeting the Board voted for 4 public meetings, item being on the agenda today with Chair stating the date but no vote. Mr. Kerr made a comment that he made reports to the Board for 5 months and had never received a response from the Board.

13. Committee Reports and Board Comments and Items for Next Agenda:

Comments by the Board were made regarding disappointment on General Manager's contract, great baseball opening day with more kids than before but disappointment in the condition of the facility, holes in the baseball field fence allowing ATVs in, positive feedback and thanks for the Brighter Beginnings breakfast

and the Easter Egg Hunt event, update on former board member Gloria Magleby, notes on the Spring Derby on Memorial Day starting at 9:00 am and the Public Meeting on May 23rd in the dining room at 6:30.

These items were requested for the next meeting agenda:

1. Bylaws Article 3; Contracts and Deeds
2. Revisit travel expense procedures

14. Closing Ceremonies:

a. Adjournment.

Motion: Move to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Cendaña-Torlakson **Second:** Garcia

Action: Voice Vote: 5 ayes/Motion Passed

Approved by the Board of Directors on _____

Signature of Board Member