

CARMICHAEL RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES: ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 18, 2008 REGULAR MEETING

Directors: Borman, Dover, Safford, Tateishi, and Younger

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Carmichael Recreation and Park District Advisory Board of Directors was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Tateishi.

ROLL CALL:

Directors Present: Borman, Safford, Tateishi, and Younger
Directors Absent: Dover (excused absence)
Staff Present: Harrison, Kerth, Maddison, Murray, Penney, Phillips and Yarber

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Safford

CHAIRMAN TATEISHI SWORE IN NEW ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER, KAREN BORMAN – Karen Borman was welcomed to the Advisory Board.

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN DISTRICT JURISDICTION ON ITEM(S) SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA –

Public Comments:

Leslie Lindbo - Her house backs up to Del Campo Park. She has noticed the crackdown on the “dog leash” law, which gets a \$150 ticket. She wanted to know why we are targeting the dog walkers instead of other illegal activities such as tagging and drug use in the park. There are some open areas in the park which would make a great dog park, which would be a compatible use. She wondered if the District would consider this.

Administrator Harrison responded that we have had correspondence regarding dogs being off leash. The County ordinance requires all dogs to be on leash. Park Rangers are expected to enforce all the ordinances. If they are missing things, the public should let us know. At the Master Plan workshops, the majority of the public was against fencing off an area for a dog park. Also, the neighbors should contact the sheriff if they see inappropriate activity. The sheriff’s office will contact the Park Rangers.

Colleen Butler – A while ago a park employee came out to Schweitzer Grove and walked the park, discussing tree planting. She has not heard anything since then on this issue. Where are we on this?

Lee Ann Yarber responded that she was that employee. She apologized for not calling Ms Butler. Trees will be planted in Schweitzer Grove. Keith Maddison stated they would be native oaks.

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. **MINUTES**
August 21, 2008 – Regular Meeting
2. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**
July, 2008
3. **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**
August 2008
4. **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**
September 2008
5. **RANGER MONTHLY REPORT**
August 2008
6. **QUARTERLY RECREATION ACTIVITY REPORT**
May, June, July 2008

Motion 1

M: Younger; S: Safford – The Advisory Board voted to approve Consent Items 1 – 6 as presented. UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT. ABSENT: DOVER

CORRESPONDENCE: (Received and filed)

1. Thank You note regarding Park Bench Dedication from Teri Lingberg (Bonnie Berns' daughter)
2. Letter from Mr. Hard and District's responses
3. Letter from Jack Harrison to Ramon Coronado (Sacramento Bee) with corrections to information in article appearing August 7, 2008

PRESS/NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:

The following News Paper Articles were reviewed:

Buffer Fence Ruffles Feathers – Sacramento Bee (Arden & Carmichael section), September 11, 2008

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **STANDING COMMITTEE/AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE (Tateishi)**
Appointment of Ad Hoc Committees and Standing Committees

Motion 2

M: Safford; S: Younger – The Advisory Board voted to approved the recommended Ad Hoc and Standing Committees, as amended: Director Borman to chair the Personnel Committee, serving with Director Safford. UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT. ABSENT: DOVER

2. **NEW READERBOARD**
New Readerboard for Carmichael Park – Location and Design

Administrator Harrison reported that the District reader board design and location was approved by Supervisor Peters but is subject to the County Sign Ordinance. Staff will report back on the feasibility to request a waiver through or a variance through the Planning – Zoning Administrator. The variance process could be more costly. If the estimates for the reader board and electrical improvements exceed the budget of \$20,000, staff would return to the Advisory Board for additional discussion and action. Chairman Tateishi expressed hope that our park district could be treated as other public agencies, such as schools, which are not subject the sign ordinance.

Motion 3

M: Safford; S: Younger – The Advisory Board voted to approve staff recommendations for Readerboard location and design. UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THOSE PRESENT. ABSENT: DOVER

PRESENTATION ITEMS:

1. **PATRIOTS PARK**
Administrator Harrison stated Patriots Park is on schedule and within budget. It's already starting to look like a park. The County is being very cooperative. We have had no complaints from park neighbors about the dust, etc. Lee Ann Yarber has ordered the plaques for the Wall of Honor. Tracy Kerth is putting together an outstanding program for the opening on November 15. Keith Maddison said everything is going smoothly.
2. **ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER REPORTS** – Nothing to report
3. **PARK SITE CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLANS**
Administrator Harrison stated staff had meetings with consultants presenting site plan alternatives. These new alternatives will be presented at next week's neighborhood workshops. Recommendations on site plans will come from consultants after those meetings. Appraisals are being done on undeveloped sites to consider options for possible surplusings. Staff also talked to the County about possible street improvements needed for the new parks. O'Donnell already has these improvements. Administrator Harrison presented two possible Master Plan schedules. One with a land sale option and the other without the land sale option, each with proposed schedules. The steps are similar, but the land sale option would take longer because of the sale process. We are probably about 2 – 2 ½ years away from those parks becoming reality.
4. **COMMITTEE FOR CARMICHAEL AQUATICS PROJECT**
Chairman Tateishi stated there was no quorum at the last CAP meeting, but they got to see the proposed Power Point presentation which gave them amazing information. He was surprised to learn that drowning is the #1 killer of children under 5 years old in California. This just points out how important it is for children to learn to swim. They also got to see the first rendering. Administrator Harrison passed around

a copy of the new rendering, which got "Wow" from Chairman Tateishi. He also stated that they are kicking off "Imagine the Possibilities" slogan for the new Aquatic Center, but this would also be great for all our parks. CAP will have a booth at Founders Day this weekend with committee members there raising interest and providing information. They will also be taking the new rendering to potential donors to give them an idea of what they are investing in. The project is definitely moving forward.

5. STAFF REPORT

Rich Murray stated that the attendance report provided is off because he accidentally left off the Del Campo Football Camp; that attendance should bring this quarter's attendance up to last year's for the same quarter.

NEW BUSINESS - none

John Lindbo – Is the Del Campo dog leash situation due to an issue that came up? Is this a crackdown? What about the stories of an undercover agent supposedly working overtime in Del Campo giving out tickets. Kids are smoking pot in the parks. Shouldn't someone do something about that?

Administrator Harrison responded there had been complaints from the public about dogs off leash in all the parks. They pass this information along to the Park Rangers. We have a contract with these Rangers for a specific number of patrol hours every day. We don't pay anyone overtime to patrol our parks. Chairman Tateishi said the Board does not target anyone. We want all the laws enforced.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. Memorial Bench Dedication for Bonnie Berns – August 23, 2008 – 10:00a.m. Carmichael Park
2. CAP Meeting – August 27, 2008 – 6:00 p.m. –Community Clubhouse 2
3. Founders Day – September 20, 2008 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Carmichael Park
4. Sutter Public Workshop #2 – September 23, 2008 6:00 p.m. - Community Clubhouse 2
5. Capra Park Public Workshop #2 – September 25, 2008 6:00 p.m. - Community Clubhouse 1
6. Jan Drive Public Workshop #2 – September 25, 2008 7:30 p.m. - Community Clubhouse 1
7. O'Donnell Heritage Public Workshop #2 – September 25, 2008 6:00 p.m. - Community Clubhouse 2
9. Public Hearing – October 23, 2008 – 6:30 p.m. – Proposed Park Site Plans – Carmichael Park
9. Patriots' Park Grand Opening – November 15, 2008 – 10:00 a.m. Patriots' Park

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING:

1. **Regular Meeting**
Proposed: Thursday, October 16, 2008, 6:00 pm in Community Clubhouse #2 at Carmichael Park
- 2, **Special Meeting – Public Hearing for Proposed Park Site Plans (Sutter and O'Donnell)**
Proposed: Thursday, October 23, 2008, 6:30 pm in Community Clubhouse #2 at Carmichael Park.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION – removed from agenda

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 7:03 pm

1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**
Pursuant to California Government Code §54957

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - CLOSED SESSION REPORT

1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**
Information received. Proposed hearing date scheduled. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. by Chairman Tateishi.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Phillips
Temporary
Administrative Secretary

APPROVED BY:



PETER TATEISHI
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

ATTESTED BY:

INGRID S. PENNEY
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER
CLERK OF THE BOARD