



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

Meeting 12-12

**SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

April 25, 2012

AMENDED MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

President Riffle called the Special Meeting of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Board of Directors to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jed Cyr, Yoriko Kishimoto, Pete Siemens, Cecily Harris, Larry Hassett, Nonette Hanco and Curt Riffle

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: General Manager Steve Abbors, General Counsel Sheryl Schaffner, Administrative Services Manager Kate Drayson, Operations Manager David Sanguinetti, Human Resources Supervisor Annetta Spiegel, Human Resources Analyst Pamela Mullen, and Chief Negotiator Deborah Glasser-Kolly

President Riffle adjourned the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District at 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

President Riffle called the Regular Meeting of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Board of Directors to order at 7:01 p.m.

Members Present: Jed Cyr, Yoriko Kishimoto, Pete Siemens, Cecily Harris, Larry Hassett, Nonette Hanko and Curt Riffle

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: General Manager Steve Abbors, General Counsel Sheryl Schaffner, Real Property Manager Mike Williams, Planning Manager Ana Ruiz, Operations Manager David Sanguinetti, Natural Resources Department Manager Kirk Lenington, Public Affairs Manager Rudy Jurgensen, Administrative Services Manager Kate Drayson, Senior Real Property Planner Sandy Sommer, Planner III Tina Hugg, Maintenance, Construction and Resource Supervisor Craig Beckman, and District Clerk Michelle Radcliffe

President Riffle stated that there were no reportable actions for Closed Session Agenda Items #1.

II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Upon motion by Director Kishimoto, seconded by Director Cyr, the Board adopted the agenda. (Vote: 7-0-0)

IV. ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Upon motion by Director Kishimoto, seconded by Director Cyr, the Board approved adoption of the Consent Calendar to approve **Revised Claims No. 12-12 and the Minutes of March 28, 2012 as amended.** (Vote: 7-0-0)

V. BOARD BUSINESS

1. Agenda Item #1 – Study Session: Discussion of Background Materials Related to the Strategic Plan

General Manager Steve Abbors introduced Consultant Minh Le of the Wilfred Jarvis Institute to the Board and explained that Mr. Le will be facilitating the Board retreat scheduled for April 27th. Mr. Abbors explained that the retreat will have two

purposes: to discuss the Board's consideration of pursuing a funding measure and the role of Board Committees. President Riffle further noted that the purpose of the Study Session tonight is to provide background information for the retreat discussion.

Planning Manager Ana Ruiz provided an overview of the District's Vision Plan and explained that in order to move forward with implementing the Strategic Plan and the Vision Plan, a number of projects listed on the FY2012-13 Action Plan will need to be deferred. Extensive discussion ensued.

No action was taken by the Board.

VI. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Hassett reported that the Real Property Committee met to tour the Gallaway and Sempervirens property. He explained that the Sempervirens property is offering its property at half its appraised value and that the Living Landscape Initiative is considering grant funding to cover a portion of the Gallaway purchase as well as providing additional stewardship funds.

Director Hanko reported that the Legislative, Funding and Public Affairs Committee met and held discussion on the Mary Davey Memorial, the 40th Anniversary event, and the replacement and repair of existing memorial benches. She also reported that the Committee will be conducting a three-month pilot on the use of iPads to review Board materials electronically.

President Riffle reported that the Board Appointee annual evaluations will begin on May 23rd.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Affairs Manager Rudy Jurgensen reported that the Palo Alto Weekly wrote an article on the District's audio tours.

General Manager Steve Abbors provided a brief report on the City of Redwood City Successor Agency Oversight Committee Board meeting.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

The Board submitted their compensable forms to the District Clerk.

Director Hassett reported that he will be out of town May 2nd through May 16th.

Director Harris reported that she attended a few campaign events for the June primaries.

Director Hanko reported she visited Picchetti Ranch Open Space Preserve and stated that there should be more District signage visible for the public.

Director Cyr reported that he attended the Mary Davey commemoration in Los Altos Hills and shared that he attended the Santa Clara County Open Space Authority public meeting on the Authority's strategic plan process.

Director Siemens reported that he is participating in the District's pilot program of using iPads to view Board meeting materials and that the pilot program is working well.

President Riffle reported that he attended the Mary Davey commemoration in Los Altos Hills as well and that he will be attending a Hooves and Spokes event on Sunday, April 29th. He explained that the Hooves and Spokes event allows equestrians and bicyclists a chance to get together and learn about each other.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

President Riffle adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District at 9:15p.m.

Michelle Radcliffe, CMC
District Clerk