



**MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING**

RUSH PARK  
3021 Blume Drive  
Rossmoor, California

**Tuesday, October 12, 2010**

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**A. ORGANIZATION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.**

**2. ROLL CALL: Directors Joel Rattner, Ron Casey, Jeffrey Rips, Alfred Coletta,  
President Shannon Hough.**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**a. Recognition of Eagle Scout Project-Forest Benedict**

President Hough congratulated Eagle Scout Forest Benedict for his successful landscaping beautification of the Rossmoor Park outdoor restroom area and presented him with a certificate of recognition and thanked him for giving back to his community.

**B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA – None**

**C. PUBLIC FORUM**

Milt Houghton stated that in light of the recent gas line explosion in San Bruno, California many Rossmoor residents were requesting that the District consult with the Gas Company regarding the safety of the gas line infrastructure.

**D. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

**1. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT ON GOVERNANCE**

Recommendation: Receive the report, discuss and provide further direction to the General Manager regarding the pursuit of latent powers for one or more of the following: Refuse Collection, Animal Control and public safety; negotiate an MOU with the County for the Management of Parkway Trees/Parkways.

Lengthy discussion ensued. The Board directed the General Manager to continue his research into the feasibility of latent powers for Rossmoor and explore the option of a

public forum on the topic. The Board agreed that Los Alamitos City Manager, Jeff Stewart should be invited to give a presentation relative to their city's three objectives: the annexation of Rossmoor, the Los Alamitos Medical Center Project and the Los Alamitos Boulevard Beautification Project and take questions from the public. It was also the consensus of the Board that the General Manager obtain a legal opinion from the State Attorney General asking whether or not the County of Orange has a duty to provide taxpayers with the option to go out to bid for police services. The report was received and filed.

## **2. REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS/CIP COMMITTEE RE: MONTECITO CENTER CAPITAL PROJECT**

Recommendation: authorize the General Manager to proceed with scheduling of the project, approve the engagement of the Conklin Group (Consultant) to proceed with obtaining the required permits and other approvals, and to direct the General Manager to advertise the project for public bidding.

President Hough requested to hear from the members of the committee at this time. Director R. Casey and Director J. Rips reported that the committee had met and discussed the project and possible design solutions.

Architect Rick Conklin gave the Board a detailed overview of his redesign plans for the Montecito Center. He stated that he was recently notified by the County, that since The Li'l Cottonwood Preschool is a long term user of the facility, the redesign project was mandated to comply with specific code restrictions for schools. Therefore his proposal for removal of the center block wall would disqualify the facility for long term pre-school/daycare use. Mr. Conklin stated that his original design solution would be a cost effective and beneficial compromise for everyone. Discussion ensued. President Hough called a brief recess.

## **THE BOARD ADJOURNED FOR A BRIEF RECESS AT 8:10 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT 8:20 P.M.**

Motion by Director R. Casey, seconded by Director J. Rips to schedule another meeting of the PW/CIP Committee to discuss the project in more detail and table this item until a future meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

## **E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Director J. Rattner requested that Item E-2, be removed from the Consent Calendar. Motion by Director A. Coletta, seconded by Director J. Rips to approve Item E-1a, Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 14, 2010. Motion passed 5-0.

## **ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR WERE ACTED UPON AT THIS TIME**

## **2. REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT-August 2010**

Director J. Rattner had questions relative to Rush Park Accounts 5800 and 5801. Staff answered various questions posed by Director Rattner. Motion by Director A. Coletta, seconded by Director R. Casey to approve Item E-2 on the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0.

**F. PUBLIC HEARING-None**

**G. RESOLUTIONS**

Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 10-10-12-01 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ADOPTING AN AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974.**

Discussion ensued. Motion by Director J. Rips, seconded by Director R. Casey to approve Resolution No. 10-10-12-01 by reading the title only and waiving further reading and to approve the Conflict of Interest policy amendments as per the State Legislature, and County Clerk of the Board Supervisors as recommended by District Counsel. Motion passed 5-0.

**H. REGULAR CALENDAR**

**1. PROPOSED BOARD POLICY RESTRUCTURING**

Recommendation to direct the General Manager to restructure and group Board policies and to proceed to first reading of policies at a future meeting.

Discussion ensued. Director R. Casey suggested edits to Section 1010.30. The General Manager agreed to make the change. The Board gave first reading to the policies submitted.

**2. FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY 5060 MINUTES OF BOARD MEETINGS**

Recommendation to give first reading to proposed revision of Policy No. 5060 Minutes of Board Meetings reflecting the Board's approved "action minutes" format, reviewed the attached proposed policy revision to Policy No. 5060 and directed the General Manager to bring a revised Policy No. 5060 Minutes of Board Meeting back to the Board for a second reading.

Discussion ensued. Director Rattner made motions to adopt various edits, all of which died for lack of a second. It was the consensus of the Board to adopt the General Manager's recommendations as follows: Give first reading to proposed revision of Policy No. 5060 Minutes of Board Meetings and direct the General Manager to bring a revised Policy No. 5060 back to the Board for second reading at their next Regular meeting.

### **3. REQUEST BY THE ROSSMOOR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FOR COSPONSORSHIP OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY FESTIVAL AND A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR THE EVENT**

General Manager recommendation to consider the request of the RHA for cosponsorship of the Rossmoor Community Festival event, and a request for a financial contribution not to exceed \$750 for the event.

Discussion ensued relative to last year's after action report. It was the consensus of the Board that RHA's participation in the cleanup process would need to be improved. President A. Coletta suggested researching the possible inclusion of a Chili Cook-off. Milt Houghton agreed to research the Chili Cook-off and announced some new community service attractions which would be added this year's festival.

Motion by Director J. Rips, seconded by Director A. Coletta to approve the RHA's request for District cosponsorship and approve their request for a financial contribution not to exceed \$750. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **I. GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS-None**

#### **J. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS**

President Hough stated that at the last two meetings residents had been inquiring about the status of the community's gas lines. She requested that the General Manager ask a Gas Company representative to attend a future Board meeting in order to address resident concerns.

Director J. Rips requested that the subject of Board Remuneration be researched and included as an item on next month's agenda.

Director Casey commended the Rossmoor Predator Management Team on their proactiveness, effort, and effectiveness relative to addressing the Coyote Issue in Rossmoor.

Director Rattner made statements relative to recent news articles about the resurrection of the composting project at the Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base and asked if the Mayor's Consortium would be addressing the composting issue at their next meeting.

Director Coletta responded that the Mayors Consortium would be meeting the third Wednesday of this month and would indeed be discussing the recurring JFTB composting issue.

#### **K. CLOSED SESSION-None**

#### **L. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Director J. Rattner, seconded by Director R. Casey to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m. Motion passed 5-0.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

**Henry Taboada**  
**Consulting General Manager**