

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

# **REGULAR MEETING**

RUSH PARK 3021 Blume Drive Rossmoor, California

# Tuesday, July 12, 2011

# A. ORGANIZATION

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 P.M.
- 2. ROLL CALL: Directors Ron Casey, Alfred Coletta, Director Bill Kahlert, President Jeffrey Rips, Director Ron Casey had an excused absence
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4. PRESENTATIONS-None

#### **B. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA – None**

#### **C. PUBLIC FORUM:**

David Lara from the Rossmoor Predator Management Team opined about the persistent problem of unleashed dogs in both Rush Park and Rossmoor Park, despite District efforts and County and leash laws. He suggested more signage as a deterrent, to include posting the fine amount of \$274. He also requested that the District be consistently proactive in contacting Animal Control whenever violators refuse to comply.

Erwin Anisman opined about unauthorized handmade signage appearing on the Signature Wall and reminded the community about the existing sign policy. He also had various enforcement suggestions.

#### **D. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

#### **1. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER RE: GOVERNANCE**

Recommendation to receive the report and provide direction to General Manager on future governance initiatives.

Motion by Director Coletta to adopt the Rossmoor Advisory Committee's recommendation that the RCSD Board approve the formation of the Ad Hoc Committee. The motion was seconded by President Rips to form an ad hoc committee, consisting of Director Michael Maynard and Director Bill Kahlert, in order to address the issue of Rossmoor's retail corner annexation attempt by Los Alamitos, and receive and file the General Manager's report. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 2. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER RE: REDISTRICTING

Recommendation to receive the report and provide direction to the General Manager on the proposal of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to place Rossmoor in a Los Angeles County Congressional District.

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by President Rips to receive the report and direct the General Manager to compose a letter expressing the RCSD's strong opposition to the redistricting proposal and desire to remain in the Orange County District; including Director Maynard's suggestion that the letter convey a stronger tone and the statement "you failed at your own charter"; send a copy to County Supervisor John Moorlach, U.S. Congressman Ed Royce, Assembly Member Jim Silva, and Senator Tom Harmon. Motion passed 4-0.

### E. CONSENT CALENDAR

### 1a. MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 14, 2011

#### 2. MAY 2011 REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

Motion by Director Maynard, seconded by Director Coletta to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted. Motion passed 4-0.

# F. PUBLIC HEARING

#### **1. PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPTION OF FY 2011-2012 FINAL BUDGET.**

Recommendation to open hearing, receive presentation from General Manager, take public testimony, close hearing, deliberate and approve Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Proposed Final Budget. The General Manager reported that the budget was balanced in all funds. President Rips thanked the General Manager and Accountant/Bookkeeper Kathleen Bell for all of their helpful prognostications and hard work on the budget. President Rips opened the public hearing for public testimony.

Ralph Vartabedian had comments relative to the chain link fence repair/replacement allocation and opined that the fence still appeared to be in serviceable condition. He also requested that if the fence and backstops were going to be replaced in the future that the board open up the decision making process to community input.

President Rips stated that all projects over \$5K must come before the board and are open to public comment. He explained that the fence repair was not on next year's list of projects; it was simply a forecasted expenditure on a list of future capital improvements for budgeting purposes that would still need to be thoroughly evaluated by the CIP Committee and approved by the Board prior to actual implementation. He added that the CIP Committee was always mindful of preserving and improving community assets.

Erwin Anisman had comments relative to the revenues less expenditures on page 1. District Accountant/Bookkeeper Kathy Bell provided clarification.

Joel Rattner had questions relative to property tax revenues, praised the tangible decreases in bond interest payments and stated his desire to have permanent picnic table canopies installed at Rossmoor Park. The General Manager stated that the District received property tax revenue in July and the amounts between the budget and revenue and expenditure report would be reconciled by the Auditor.

President Rips opened the public hearing up to Board member comments. Director Maynard stated that he wanted to familiarize himself with the budget document. The General Manager clarified with background information.

Director Kahlert had questions regarding the Montecito Center project. The General Manager answered that the Board had decided to upgrade and modernize the Montecito Center in a 2 year phase at a lower cost and that all the Board was approving was a budget of \$65K in allocated funds for the first phase. The project would still need to be thoroughly reviewed by the CIP Committee prior to being brought to the Board for final approval.

Motion by Director Coletta, Seconded by Director Kahlert to approve Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Proposed Final Budget with the inclusion of the \$250K GASB 45 Reserve. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **G. RESOLUTIONS**

# 1. RESOLUTION NO. 11-07-12-01 RESOLUTION TO APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FY 2011-2012.

Recommendation to approve, Resolution No. 11-07-12-01 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FY 2011-2012

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Maynard to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-01 Resolution to Approving and Adopting the Annual Appropriations Limit for FY 2011-2012. Motion passed 4-0.

# 2. RESOLUTION NO. 11-07-12-02 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES TOTAL AMOUNTS FOR FY 2011-2012 FOR THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT.

Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-02 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES TOTAL AMOUNTS FOR FY 2011-2012 FOR THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Motion by Director Maynard, seconded by Director Kahlert to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-02 Resolution Establishing the Annual Budget Expenditures Total Amounts for FY 2011-2012 for the Rossmoor Community Services District. Motion passed 4-0.

# **3. RESOLUTION NO. 11-07-12-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT'S REJECTION OF GOVERNMENT CLAIM.**

The General Manager reported that the District's insurance carrier SDRMA reviewed the claim and advised the District to reject the claim in its entirety as is standard procedure. Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-03 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT'S REJECTION OF GOVERNMENT CLAIM.

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Maynard to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-03 A Resolution of the Board of the Rossmoor Community Services District's Rejection of Government Claim. Motion passed 4-0.

# 4. RESOLUTION NO. 11-07-12-04 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DESIGNATING CERTAIN DISTRICT OFFICIALS TO TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH HOUSE THE DISTRICT'S INVESTMENTS, SAVINGS OR OTHER FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Recommendation to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-04 by reading the title only and waiving further reading as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ROSSMOOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DESIGNATING CERTAIN DISTRICT OFFICIALS TO TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH HOUSE THE DISTRICT'S INVESTMENTS, SAVINGS OR OTHER FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS Motion by President Rips, seconded by Director Kahlert to approve Resolution No. 11-07-12-04 A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Rossmoor Community Services District Designating Certain District Officials to Transact Business with Financial Institutions which House the District's Investments, Savings, or Other Financial Accounts. Motion passed 4-0.

#### H. REGULAR CALENDAR

#### **1. FEE STUDY OF DISTRICT FACILITIES**

The General Manager stated that he and staff had completed the summary recommendations for amendments to the District's fees for its parks/facilities but needed more time to analyze the fee comparison data and direct cost allocations. Discussion ensued. He requested to be allowed to bring the matter back to the board in 60 days.

The item was received and filed. The Board requested the item be brought back to the Board in 60 days (the September Board Meeting) for consideration.

#### 2. CSDA 2011 BOARD ELECTIONS

Recommendation to discuss proposed slate of candidates and give direction to the General Manager to submit the vote of the Board to the CSDA. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Director Maynard, seconded by Director Coletta to authorize the General Manager to submit the vote of the Board to the CSDA for candidate Jeff Leatherman. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 3. PROPOSED CSDA BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Discuss proposed amendments and give direction to General Manager to submit the vote of the Board to the CSDA. Discussion ensued. Director Maynard stated that he was opposed to mandates and not in favor of the proposed amendments. No motion made. No ballot will be submitted.

#### 4. EXTENDED TERM AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE TENNIS INSTRUCTION AT ROSSMOOR PARK-FERNANDO MOLINA

Recommendation to approve an Extended Term Agreement with Mr. Fernando Molina to provide tennis instructions. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Kahlert to authorize the General Manager to approve an Extended Term Agreement with Mr. Fernando Molina to provide tennis instructions. Motion passed 4-0.

### I. GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS

The General Manager had comments relative to the unleashed dog issue and Orange County Animal Control response times. He stated that the District could post signage and request that owners leash their dogs; however that was the extent of District enforcement power. He encouraged residents to call Orange County Animal Control whenever they witnessed leash law violations occurring.

# J. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Director Kahlert stated that he had noticed the rampant use of both Rush and Rossmoor Parks as dog parks and urged the community to leash their dogs and use designated dog parks in the surrounding communities to exercise their pets off leash. He stated that additional signage may help to remind patrons of the rules and fines. He also announced that this past weekend the local girl's softball league traveled to the beautiful city of Lancaster and two of their teams, the 10s and the 12s had won the State Championship. He congratulated both teams on their accomplishments.

Director Maynard stated that he was glad that Director Kahlert had mentioned the local softball team's achievement because it was something everyone could take pride in. He added that a Rossmoor resident had recently won the title of Miss Southern California and it would be nice to recognize her as well. He encouraged the community to bring attention to these local successes and make the Board aware of them so they could be publicly celebrated.

President Rips stated that he wanted to remind the community that in addition to the monthly board meetings, RCSD board members also served on various other committees throughout the month. He named the standing committees, the ad hoc committees and their members. He concluded that the RCSD Board members were very busy throughout the month attending these meetings and thanked them for devoting their time and expertise in service to the community.

# K. CLOSED SESSION-None

# L. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Director Coletta, seconded by Director Kahlert to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **SUBMITTED BY:**

Henry Taboada Consulting General Manager