

Licking Park District Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting – June 16, 2021

Board Chair Mr. Kiracofe called the June 16, 2021, Regular Meeting to order at 6:00pm at the James Bradley Center, Infirmary Mound Park.

- I. Roll Call
Present: Mr. Moseley, Ms. Sams, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Kiracofe, Mr. White
Absent:
Staff: Ms. Lohrman, Director Waugh

- II. Comments from the Public
Bill Collinson attended the meeting to discuss the Maple Bay Marsh Trail project (see VIII A. *Maple Bay Boardwalk Feasibility Study*)

- III. Approve agenda items / Request for additional agenda items
Mr. Moseley moved, Mr. Bradley seconded to approve the June 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda items.
Mr. White would like to add VIII H. *ADA Walking Path at Mirror Lake* to the agenda.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - A. May 19, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. White seconded to approve the May 19, 2021 regular meeting minutes.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- V. Financial Status of Park District
 - A. May 2021 Financial Summary
Mr. Moseley moved, Ms. Sams seconded to approve the May 2021 financial summary.
Director Waugh presented the May 2021 financial summary to the Board.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- VI. Approval of May 2021 Revenue & Expenses
 - A. May 2021 Revenue & Expenses
Mr. Bradley moved, Ms. Sams seconded to approve the May 2021 revenue & expenses.
Director Waugh presented the May 2021 Revenue & Expenses to the Board.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

VII. Old Business

A. Nature Playscape Update

Director Waugh updated the board on the status of the Nature Playscape. He is meeting with Urban Wild & contractors. Initial site visit set to discuss the trail layout.

B. Claylick Creek Landing Update

Director Waugh updated the board on the status of the Claylick Creek Landing. He said he is still waiting on ODNR for confirmation of property ownership and authorization to construct a launch ramp. He said that another opportunity to acquire a neighboring property nearby may be a possibility if the ODNR option fails.

C. Newell Update

Director Waugh updated the board on the status of Newell & stated SOQ's were evaluated and CT Consultants was selected to design the trail. The kick off meeting is scheduled for June 24th. CT will prepare a scope and fee proposal for acceptance by LPD and Knox Park District.

D. Paving Update

Director Waugh updated the board on the status of TJE bike path paving. Paving is complete from W Main St in Newark to the Granville corp limit. Shelly Co then began at the Gib & Lou Reese bridge over SR 16 & they will pave west towards Cherry Valley Hotel ending at the historic iron bridge. The section from Raccoon Valley Rd to Mounts Rd will be completed last.

VIII. New Business - Special Item Follow Up

A. Review Maple Bay Boardwalk Feasibility Study

Director Waugh discussed the completed feasibility study. Three options were determined. Cost estimates ranged from \$4 million to 6 million. Bill Collinson from Bike Buckeye Lake reiterated to the Board that Bike Buckeye Lake (BBL) was working on funding opportunities and a maintenance reserve plan. He said Licking Park District would have no out of pocket expenses. Director Waugh and several BBL board members met with State Senator Hottinger in May to discuss the project and possible funding opportunities. Getting MOU's with landowners at each terminus and a meeting with ODNR are the next steps.

Mr. Bradley is concerned about the cost of maintaining the boardwalk & who will be paying for it. Mr. Collinson suggested a foundation/reserve account be established for donations to pay for maintenance of the path. He has an individual that has committed to start the account.

B. Mr. Kiracofe Levy & Committee Update

Mr. Kiracofe updated the board on the status of the levy & committees. The first committee meeting was held June 15. The committee is working on a donor letter, endorsements, rack cards, social media, new yard signs and more.

C. Resolution 2021-07 Linear Active contract termination

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Moseley seconded to approve Resolution 2021-07 Linear Active contract termination.

Director Waugh explained that due to unforeseen circumstances, Mr. Appleby was unable to fulfill his contract.

Roll call vote:

Mr. White-Yea, Mr. Bradley-Yea, Ms. Sams-Yea, Mr. Moseley-Yea, Mr. Kiracofe-Yea

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

D. AmeriCorps / Rural Action update

Director Waugh updated the board on the status of the AmeriCorps hiring process. Two interviews are currently scheduled.

E. Budget Pro Forma 2022-2027

Mr. White moved, Mr. Bradley seconded to approve 2022-2027 budget pro forma in anticipation that the levy passes.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

F. HNLCPA pocket park ask

Director Waugh explained that the Heath Newark Licking County Port Authority proposed Licking Park District manage land near the end of Thornwood Drive slated to be used for development & put in walking paths around a wetland type area. The Board concluded it would require extensive maintenance and our limited resources would best be used elsewhere. No further action planned.

G. Resolution 2021-08 Auditor Valuation Certification 6-14-21

Director Waugh stated he received information today from Brad Cottrell at the Auditor's office that the wording on the resolution needs to be revised. This resolution will be revisited at the July board meeting or a special Board meeting if necessary.

H. ADA Walking Path at Mirror Lake

Mr. White would like to improve user experience at Mirror Lake and would like to revisit the proposal for an ADA walking path at Mirror Lake.

After discussion, the board unanimously decided to not fund this project currently and would revisit it in the future.

IX. Director's Report w/ PPT

A. Director's Report

Director Waugh provided the Board a brief overview of the following projects/topics:

Newell Rec. Preserve, prepping for TJE trail paving, Buckeye Tree at IMP, Rock Monument on BST, flailing on bike trails, Albyns Nursery 1500 tree Planting and more.

X. Adjournment

Mr. White moved, Mr. Moseley seconded to adjourn.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41pm.

Next Regular Meeting July 21, 2021 6:00 PM at Infirmary Mound Park - James Bradley Center