

Licking Park District Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting – June 15, 2022

Board Chair Mr. Kiracofe called the June 15, 2022, Regular Meeting to order at 6:00pm at the James Bradley Center, Infirmary Mound Park.

I. Roll Call

Present: Mr. Moseley, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Kiracofe, Mr. White, Mr. Jenkins

Absent:

Staff: Ms. Lohrman, Director Waugh

II. Comments from the Public

None.

III. Approve agenda items / Request for additional agenda items

Mr. Moseley moved, Mr. Jenkins seconded to approve the June 15, 2022 regular meeting agenda items.

Mr. Bradley asked to add VIII. H) LC Foundation / LPD Fund Match

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. May 18, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Jenkins seconded to approve the May 18, 2022 regular meeting minutes.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

B. June 2, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Moseley seconded to approve the June 2, 2022 special meeting minutes.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

V. Financial Status of Park District

A. May 2022 Financial Summary

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. White seconded to approve the May 2022 financial summary.

Director Waugh presented the May 2022 financial summary to the Board.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Bradley asked if there was enough money in the fuel account since it was already at 74% used. Director Waugh stated there was \$2750 still available and the account would be monitored.

VI. Approval of May 2022 Revenue & Expenses

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Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Moseley seconded to approve the May 2022 revenue & expenses.

Director Waugh presented the May 2022 Revenue & Expenses to the Board.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

VII. Old Business

A. Newell Trail Update - Construction & Dedication June 25, 10AM

Director Waugh updated the Board on the status of the Newell Trail construction & dedication. He stated the path was complete & ready for the ribbon cutting ceremony on June 25, 2022.

B. Mirror Lake Path - Construction award \$70,897.50

Director Waugh stated that Law General Contractors has a tentative start date of mid July on the Mirror Lake path.

C. Riverview Disc Golf Course

Director Waugh stated that the Columbus Flyers were currently working on a layout. He has gotten some calls on homeless & atv users at the park so he would be meeting with Jeff Hotchkiss regarding these issues. He plans on waiting to involve law enforcement until Columbus Flyers are ready to start the course construction.

D. Dog Park Lighting project completed

Director Waugh reported that the lights at the Paws 2 Play Dog Park were up & operating.

VIII. New Business - Special Item Follow Up

A. Amend Resolution 2022-01 Accept donation of Longwell-Miles Memorial Estate

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. White seconded to approve amending Resolution 2022-01, the acceptance of the donation of the Longwell-Miles Memorial Estate, by changing the name on the document to the official park name. It includes the title transfer document, accepting donated items plus funds that will be received.

Roll call vote: Mr. Kiracofe-Yea, Mr. White-Yea, Mr. Jenkins-Yea, Mr. Moseley-Yea, Mr. Bradley-Yea

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- B. Resolution 2022-04 ODOT Preliminary Legislation re: Lancaster Rd Ext. BST
Mr. White moved, Mr. Bradley seconded to approve Resolution 2022-04,
ODOT Preliminary Legislation regarding Lancer Rd extension on Buckeye
Scenic Trail.

Roll call vote: Mr. Kiracofe-Yea, Mr. White-Yea, Mr. Jenkins-Yea, Mr.
Moseley-Yea, Mr. Bradley-Yea
Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- C. Lobdell Battee Rd Parking Lot \$7,500

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. White seconded to approve spending \$7,500 to
extend the Lobdell Reserve parking lot at Battee Rd.

Director Waugh stated he originally had this cost included with the pit toilet
prep work for a total of \$10,500 but he separated them since the pit toilet
construction/delivery are not determined at this time.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- D. Lobdell Battee Rd Pit Toilet Install \$3,000

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Moseley seconded to approve spending \$3,000 to
install a pit toilet at Lobdell Reserve's Battee Rd location.

Director Waugh stated this will pay for installation of the pit toilet when it is
delivered by Norwalk Concrete Inc.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- E. Taft culverts & drainage work \$7,800

Mr. Bradley moved, Mr. Jenkins seconded to approve spending \$7,800.00 for
drainage work & culvert installs at Taft Reserve.

Director Waugh stated he wants to provide better access to the area near
Tippett Mound in anticipation of this area's designation as a future World
Heritage site.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- F. Master Plan for Longwell-Miles Estate \$12,000

Mr. Moseley moved, Mr. Bradley seconded to approve spending \$12,000 on a
Master Plan for the Longwell-Miles Estate.

Director Waugh will not engage a consultant until after the land title has been
transferred to LPD.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

G. LCC/LPD/TJEF DRAFT Major repairs on Bike Trail System

Director Waugh updated the Board on the status of the Proposed Bike Trail Major Repairs Agreement with the Licking County Commissioners and the TJE Foundation. He stated that he is working with the LPD counsel, Carolyn Carnes Prosecutor's office, and Ken Oswalt, Commissioners counsel on details.

Mr. Bradley stated he met with Mr. Smith, the Licking County Auditor, regarding misuse of public funds. He stated that the Licking County Commissioners are liable for the bike paths based on the original Bike Trail Agreement. According to Mr. Smith, the Licking County Commissioners are projected to carry over an estimated \$60,000,000 this year while the Park District is projected to carry over an estimated \$500,000. Mr. Bradley does not agree with this new agreement based on both parties' finances. He doesn't believe the Park District should be financing the County Commissioners liability when the County Commissioners have 100 times the funds the Park District has. He doesn't see this new agreement as the County Commissioners giving the Park District money, he sees it as the Park District giving money to the County Commissioners for their liability. Director Waugh stated that in the 1989 agreement, the County Commissioners have a 6-month opt out option and they have indicated they are exercising the opt out clause, effective December 2022.

Mr. Bradley stated he didn't want the Park District getting the bad end of the deal.

Mr. White asked if this agreement includes all the bike paths or just the TJ Evans path. Director Waugh stated it is just for the TJ Evans paths in unincorporated areas. The Park District is solely responsible for Ohio Canal Greenway & Buckeye Scenic Trail. Mr. White also asked if the Park District has an opt out option. Mr. Kiracofe thinks the Park District does have an opt out option but the public sees the bike paths as belonging to the Park District so the Park District needs to see that they are maintained properly.

H. Licking County Foundation - Licking Park District Fund

Mr. Bradley stated that next year, he is planning to donate \$25,000 to the Licking Park District Fund managed by the LC Foundation, matching what is currently in the fund for maintenance & repairs to the James Bradley Center. He stated the Board would need to vote on moving the money out of the current fund & into another fund so the principal amount could be used & not just the interest. He's not ready to donate yet, but next year a vote will need to take place. Mr. Kiracofe suggested marketing that fund or similar fund for the public to donate to Licking Park District and receive a tax credit.

IX. Director's Report w/PPT

A. Director's Report

Director Waugh provided the Board a brief overview of the following current projects/topics using a PPT presentation:

Music at the Gazebo, Park District Director job posting, berming Moots to Raccoon Valley, Central Ohio Carriage Association event, new parking entrance at IMP arena, OCG trees down, storm damage from 6/13/22, Shelter 5 parking addition, Dog Park lighting, muskrats at Willow Pond.

Mr. White asked how the search for the maintenance position was going.

Director Waugh stated a candidate has been chosen & is currently scheduled for a second interview.

Ms. Lohrman added that the Women's Outdoor Workshop that took place at IMP on 06/11/22 was a success, with over 70 women registered, & it brought in over \$4,000 to pay for instructors. Ms. Balogh submitted surveys to participants so those results will be available at the next Board meeting.

X. Adjournment

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

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next Regular Meeting July 20, 2022 6:00 PM at Infirmary Mound Park - James Bradley Center