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MINUTES OF THE LAKE METROPARKS REGULAR MEETING  
(The following is a summary of Board Meeting Minutes. Transcripts available upon request.)

PLACE: CONCORD WOODS

DATE: April 19, 2023

I. Roll Call and Pledge

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with Board members Gretchen Skok DiSanto, President; and Vice Presidents Frank Polivka and John C. Redmond. Staff included: Paul Palagyi, Executive Director; Vince Urbanski, Deputy Director; Mark Zicarelli, Legal Counsel; Chris Brassell; Tom Adair; Tom Koritansky; Jim Sivak; Lindsay Pschirer; Sharon Metzung; Nick Gustin; Jen Irwin; Jean Sullivan; Seth Begeman; Dan Burnett; Lee Homyock; John Venen; Karen Reis; and Tammy Chiappone.

Mrs. Skok DiSanto led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve the Board Meeting Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Polivka. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Minutes

A. Regular Meeting March 15, 2023

Motion by Mr. Polivka to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 15, 2023. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Meeting Open to the Public

Judge Bartolotta  
Bryson Durst, The News Herald  
Shawn Zicarelli

V. Old Business

No Old Business

VI. Finance Report

A. March 2023

Mr. Brassell read the Finance Report for March 2023.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve the Finance Report for March 2023. Seconded by Mr. Polivka. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. New Business

A. Other

1. LOI – Lakefront Trail Engineering Design Phase II

Mr. Palagyi explained the LOI for the Lakefront Trail Engineering Design Phase II project. Mr. Palagyi said this resolution will authorize the Executive Director to sign a contract securing the services of Environmental Design Group (EDG) in Akron to study, design, and prepare construction plans for the creation of a section of the lakefront trail between Painesville Township Park and Fairport. The cost of work will be \$172,170. Specifically, this work will design the trail to be constructed behind the 800' shoreline stretch where we will build a revetment wall across an unarmored section of the shoreline. Construction of the revetment wall and the subsequent trail are Phase II of the trail project. Construction of this section of the trail would occur after completion of the revetment wall next year so the trail portion would most likely be constructed in 2025.

Motion by Mr. Polivka to approve the LOI for the Lakefront Trail Engineering Design Phase II to Environmental Design Group in the amount of \$172,170. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution 2023-009 – ODOT Final Legislation for Lakefront Path – Phase I

Mr. Palagyi explained Resolution 2023-009, ODOT Final Legislation for the Lakefront Path – Phase I development. Mr. Palagyi said this resolution would authorize the Executive Director to work with ODOT to facilitate the use of existing federal funding for the first phase of the trail from Painesville Township Park to Fairport. Mr. Palagyi said we are using two federal earmarks to complete much of the work in the first two phases of the trail along the property owned by Kurtz Bros Inc. which covers approximately half of one mile. This first phase of construction of the trail is scheduled to be bid out by ODOT in the next few weeks with construction taking place later this year. Construction cost for Phase I is estimated at \$705,000

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and we have a total of approximately \$1.8 million in the federal earmark grant, the remainder of which will be utilized on Phase II.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2023-009, ODOT Final Legislation for the Lakefront Path – Phase I development. Seconded by Mr. Polivka. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Resolution 2023-010 – 2023 OWPA Vintage Ohio Site Agreement

Mr. Palagyi explained Resolution 2023-010, 2023 OWPA Vintage Ohio Site Agreement. Mr. Palagyi said the agreement had some minor changes from 2022.

Motion by Mr. Polivka to approve Resolution 2023-010, 2023 OWPA Vintage Ohio Site Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Palagyi said that staff is gearing up for the Grand River Canoe Race this weekend. He also noted that Chapin Forest Pine Lodge Ski Center did not open for skiing at all this year due to lack of snow.

IX. Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Polivka to recess to Executive Session at 5:07 p.m. for the purpose of land acquisition. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to adjourn the Executive Session at 5:15 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Polivka. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Redmond to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 5:15 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Polivka. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Paul Palagyi  
Executive Director

  
Gretchen Skok DiSanto  
President