



Board Minutes
May 7, 2015 – 1:00 PM
Preservation Parks of Delaware County
Hogback Ridge Preserve

ATTENDEES: Commissioner Chair John Bader, Commissioner Dan Boysel , Commissioner Bruce Ruhl, Executive Director Tom Curtin, Deputy Director Mary Van Haaften, Chris Roshon, Sue Hagen, Bonnie Houk, Sandra McBrearty, Ted Miller, Patrick Shirey, Dennis Welch, Tony Benishek.

The meeting was called to order by J Bader at 1:00 PM.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: D. Boysel moved to adopt the agenda, B. Ruhl seconded. All members voted aye.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: D. Boysel moved to approve the April 5, 2015 minutes as submitted. B. Ruhl seconded. The motion carried 2 – 0 (J. Bader was absent at this meeting).

REVIEW OF MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT: D. Boysel moved to approve the budget report as submitted. B. Ruhl seconded. All members voted aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

PARK UPDATES: T. Curtin reported on the following park updates:

1. No updates re: the installation of the new boardwalk at Deer Haven.
2. Meredith State multi-use trail – plans are at 20%, we anticipate bidding in June and awarding a contract at the July Board meeting.
3. The facility assessment report and maintenance standards manual are under review and will be presented at the July Board meeting.
4. A rendering of the lay out for the lower parking area at Shale Hollow was presented.
5. The quarterly report from The Delaware Community Foundation was presented. The Amy Clark / Bader Bird Sanctuary Fund has a balance of \$1,773.35 and the Preservation Parks of Delaware County Foundation Fund has a balance of \$10,086.25.
6. The NatureWorks Grant for paving ETP has been submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Establishment of a Sick time bank: With the renewal of our Principal benefits effective 5/1/2015 we took the opportunity to add Long Term Disability (LTD) insurance and remove Short Term Disability (STD) insurance. Staff proposed to implement a voluntary sick leave donation policy that would supplement current leave policy to bridge the time required to meet long term disability

requirements. D. Boysel moved to establish the bank as proposed. B. Ruhl seconded and all members voted aye.

2. Surplus property – The Hing house is slated for demolition and the Chevy Blazer is beyond repair. Staff recommended declaring the items surplus property. B. Ruhl moved to declare the items surplus property. D. Boysel seconded and all member s voted aye.
3. Resolution 2015 -320 (Attached in Full) Determining the value of the Hing house - Habitat for Humanity’s Restore has expressed interest in salvaging cabinetry and other items from the Hing House. In order to facilitate this PPDC legal counsel, Ross Long, outlined the following steps: The Board must pass a resolution finding that the value of the property is less than \$2,500.00 and that the salvageable items should be sold to Restore for \$1.00. We will receive \$1.00 from Restore, provide them with a receipt, and deposit the money in the general fund. In this way we will have complied with ORC sections concerning the disposition of unwanted public property. D. Boysel moved to approve resolution 2015 -32-. B Ruhl seconded and all members voted aye.
4. Deer Density report – The Natural Resource Management department submitted the results from the district’s first study to measure the population of deer within Preservation Park lands. The study will be duplicated in succeeding years in order to monitor populations and their effect on park lands. The study is on file at the district office. No action was required.
5. Purchase of Van for Education department – The Education Department requests approval for purchasing a 2015 Dodge Grand Caravan at a cost of \$22,088.50 from Automax located at the intersection of Route 315 and Stratford Road. The vehicle will be used for program purposes, transporting day camp participants and be available to other departments as needed. The Board suggested looking into purchasing a pre-owned vehicle but left the final purchase up to the staff’s discretion. B. Ruhl moved to approve a vehicle purchase not to exceed \$22,088.50. D. Boysel seconded and all members voted aye.

DEPARMENT REPORTS: The reports were accepted as submitted. All questions were answered satisfactorily.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Public Survey – The first draft of the questionnaire to be used to gage Delaware County resident’s awareness of the district has been reviewed by staff. Recommended changes have been forwarded to Illuminology staff.
2. Shale Hollow rental rates / Internet service – The Board decided to table this item pending additional information.
3. Deer Haven Wetlands – Natural Resource Management staff present a rendering showing the location of two wetlands that are to be created at Deer Haven. The cost of these wetlands will be shared by the District and the USFWS. The district will contribute \$6,400.00 and USFWS will contribute \$5,000.00. D. Boysel moved to proceed with the project. B. Ruhl seconded and all members voted aye.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Roll call was taken and the Board went into Executive Session at 2:08 PM for the purpose of discussing land acquisition

The Board came back into open session at 2:43 PM

No action was taken.

J. Bader moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 PM. D. Boysel seconded and all members voted aye.