

April 14, 2016 Board Minutes
Preservation Parks of Delaware County
1PM Hogback Ridge Park

Attendees:

Board members: Bruce Ruhl, John Bader, Dan Boysel

Staff: Sue Hagan, Chris Roshon, Ted Miller, Kyle Pace, Pat Shirey, Bonnie Houk, Rich Niccum, Tony Benishek, Kevin Kuhn, Dennis Welch, Sandra McBrearty, Mary Van Haaften, Tom Curtin

Visitors: Amy Tovar

Call to order: B. Ruhl called the meeting to order at 1 PM, roll call was taken, all members voted aye.

Adoption of Agenda: D. Boysel moved to adopt the agenda, J. Bader seconded, all members voted aye.

Approval of: D. Boysel moved to approve the March 10, 2016 minutes as submitted, J. Bader seconded, all members voted aye.

Budget Report: D. Boysel moved to accept the monthly budget report with the amended budget sheets as presented, B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.

Open to the Public: Amy Tovar shared that the bird club meetings are going very well. The last meeting of the year will be on April 25th and they hope to have more public activities next year.

Park Updates:

1. Staff investigated whether additional insurance was needed for the Natural Play Areas. Our insurance carrier replied that the current coverage was sufficient.
2. S. Hagan shared the latest marketing materials from treetree.
3. PPDC and other agencies provided financial support for the Galena Bike Trail – a segment of the Ohio to Erie Trail. The trail is under construction and expected to be completed by fall.
4. High speed internet along with a phone line will be installed at Deer Haven. This will provide improved connectivity for the staff and those using the multipurpose room.
5. Chief Welch will be meeting with the acting county prosecutor to review the revised PPDC Rules and Regulations.

New Business:

1. J. Bader moved to rescind resolution 2016 – 332 authorizing the park district to apply for a Clean Ohio Trail Fund grant because the project is better suited for a Recreation Trail Program grant. D. Boysel seconded and all members voted aye.
2. D. Boysel moved to approve resolution 2016 – 335 authorizing the park district to apply for a Recreational Trail Program grant. J. Bader seconded and all members voted aye.

3. D. Boysel moved to approve Resolution 2016 – 336 authorizing the park district to apply for a NatureWorks grant, J. Bader seconded and all members voted aye.
4. The Board received copies of the Gallant Farm Comprehensive Plan; R. Niccum provided a brief summary of the Plan.
5. The Board discussed a request from Percheron Field Services re: pipeline work at River Run Park. The park district is awaiting proof of insurance, the company's plan for restricting public access to the work site, assurances that the park district will be compensated for damage to the trees planted in the work site, and assurances that the area will be restored properly upon completion of the work. The board recommended that the contractor post a bond to guaranty the restoration of the site and compensation for damage to the trees.
6. The Board discussed a request from Troy Township Trustees that the park district delay tax exempt filing on new acquisitions for three years. The Board did not feel this was the best use of tax payer funds, and this strategy would negatively affect the budget.

Department Reports: Department reports were accepted as submitted.

D. Boysel complimented R. Niccum on his work as co-chair for the NAI Regional Conference and stated that these types of endeavors are worthwhile and strengthen our standing within the park educational community.

The Board thanked Ted Miller for his years of service to the park district and wished him well on his new employment with the City of Delaware.

D. Welch and K. Kuhn provided copies of the Emergency Procedures Manual to the Board for information.

Old Business:

1. C. Roshon provided the Board with a summary of the Deer Density Report during departmental reports.
2. T. Miller provided the Board with and update on the Logan Master Planning process.

Executive Session: B. Ruhl moved to go in to Executive Session at 2:05 PM for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and discipline of a public employee. D. Boysel seconded, roll call was taken, all members voted aye.

1. Land
2. Personnel

The Board returned to regular session at 2:35 PM. No action was taken.

D. Boysel moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:36 pm, B. Ruhl seconded and all members voted aye.