# December 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

# Preservation Parks of Delaware County

## 1:00 PM Deer Haven Lodge

#### Attendees:

**Staff:** Rich Niccum, Casey Smith, Lauren Richards, Chad Watkins, Beth McCollam, Tony Benishek, Matt Simpson, Bonnie Houk, Craig Flockerzie, Saundra McBrearty, Dennis Welch, Tyler Swartzlander, Travis Elkins, Mary Van Haaften, Tom Curtin

Board: John Bader, Bruce Ruhl, Glenn Marzluf

Public: Amy Tovar, Kristin Studabaker

Via Zoom: Stacy Chaney-Blankenship, Robin Mayes (staff), Claire Saniel-Banrey (staff), Unidentified Guest

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**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM, roll call was taken, all Board members present.

**Adoption of Agenda:** G. Marzluf moved to adopt the agenda as presented, B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.

**Approval of Minutes:** G. Marzluf moved to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2021 meeting as presented. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.

**Budget Report:** G. Marzluf moved to approve the monthly budget report as presented. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.

Park Updates: None.

**Open to the Public:** Amy Tovar informed the Board about the formation of the Delaware County Land Conservancy to conserve small tracks of land. The organization is two months old and they are filing for 501(c)(3) status. They are partnering with Stratford Woods and their executive director is Ingrid Wood.

# **New Business:**

- 1. G. Marzluf moved to approve Resolution 2021-491 allowing outstanding advances to be carried forward into the 2022 budget. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.
- 2. G. Marzluf moved to approve Resolution 2021-492 which reestablishes the Capital Improvement Project Fund in accordance with O.R.C. 5705.13(C). B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.
- 3. G. Marzluf moved to approve Resolution 2021-493 to advance funds back from Clean Ohio Trail Fund to General Fund and from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Project Fund. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.
- 4. G. Marzluf moved to accept the Probate Court's Judgement Entry to approve the transfer of \$15,692.42 from the Sandel Legacy Trail Paving Fund back to the General Fund. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.
- 5. B. Ruhl moved to accept a donation of \$2,000 from Robert and Linda Lakemacher. G. Marzluf seconded, all members voted aye.

**Department Reports:** Accepted as presented.

Open to the Public: None.

### **Old Business:**

- 1. G. Marzluf moved to approve 2022 budget resolution 2021-494 2022. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.
- 2. Leadership Staff presented a power point highlighting 2022 projects.

**Executive Session:** B. Ruhl moved to go into executive session at 1:58 PM for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and compensation of park district employees. G. Marzluf seconded, roll call was taken, all members voted aye.

The Board returned to regular session at 3:25 PM and took the following action:

- B. Ruhl moved to approve the 2022 employee pay matrix with a 1% increase in the quartiles as presented. G. Marzluf seconded, all members voted aye.
- B. Ruhl moved to approve a one-time COVID bonus of \$500.00 for all hourly employees. G. Marzluf seconded, all members voted aye.
- B. Ruhl moved to approve a 2022 5% pay increase for the executive director. G. Marzluf seconded, all members voted aye.

Next Board Meeting Date: January 14, 1 PM at Deer Haven Park.

Adjournment: G. Marzluf moved to adjourn at 3:28 PM. B. Ruhl seconded, all members voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Curtin
Thomas Curtin, Executive Director

John Bader, Chair, Park Commissioner