MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF MILL CREEK METROPARKS

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks was held on Monday, June 8, 2026.

The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m., with a recitation of The Pledge of Allegiance.

Paul Olivier, Board President welcomed staff and guests.

Roll Call was as follows:

Lee Frey;	Present
Jeff Harvey, Vice-President;	Absent
Jim Houck;	Present
Paul Olivier, President;	Present
Katharine Paull;	Absent

The Board was presented with the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2026. Paul asked the Board if there were any edits or corrections and, with their being none, Paul accepted the minutes into the record as written.

Public Comments to the Board: (see sign-in sheet)

- Jerry Serbel stated that he is still coming to the meetings to voice his opposition to the deer management program. He stated that he is against archery hunting while the parks are open. He noted that it is just his personal opinion that he is voicing. He stated that he enjoys watching the park but not the traffic and the speed of vehicles. He is supportive of the local lots that the park purchased.
- Mickey Drabison stated that he was going to talk about the MCMP police. He stated that four deer were found that were hunted, gutted and left to waste. He stated that people are sleeping in the park. He noted that the Police need help. He stated that some are hunting within the City of Youngstown. A higher level of Police protection is needed.
- Abby Ivan stated that she and her husband love to watch golf. She stated that while watching a recent golfing event on TV that the event was paused so the participants could watch a deer that wandered on to the course. She believed that the deer are to be watched, not hunted or killed.

Nick Morchak, Finance Director/Treasurer presented the Department Report for Finance and requested that disbursements #98089 - #98357 for a total of $747,344.85 be approved. Paul Olivier moved, to accept the recommendation of the Finance Director, that the funds having been certified as on hand and duly appropriated, that disbursements #98089 - #98357 for a total of $747,344.85, be approved. The motion was seconded by Lee Frey and after discussion including confirmation of the total of $890,441.23, the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye:	Frey, Houck, Olivier
Voting Nay:	None

Aaron Young, Executive Director, commented that he had nothing new to share with the Board. It has been business as usual for the administration.

There was no New Business.

Chris Litton, Development Director presented the MetroParks Foundation donation report for the period of May 1-31, 2026, at a total of $2,850.00, for approval. Paul Olivier moved to accept the recommendation of the Director of Development and approve the donation report for the period of May 1-31, 2026, at a total of $2,850.00. The motion was seconded by Jim Houck, the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Frey, Houck, Olivier
Voting Nay: None

Commissioner Comments:
- Paul thanked the staff for their good work.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., in McMahon Hall located at the MetroParks Farm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.

Presiding Officer

Secretary