Canfield, Ohio  
February 13, 2012

The Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks met in Regular Session on Monday, February 13, 2012, at 5:10 p.m., with members Jay Macejko, Bob Durick, Valencia Marrow, John Ragan, and Louis Schiavoni present.

Mr. Schiavoni motioned that the Board adjourn into a Budget workshop for the next hour. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ragan and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye:  Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni  
Voting Nay:  None

The Board returned from the workshop and into Regular Session at 6:00 p.m.

This being the second meeting of 2012, and their bonds having been duly provided, the election of officers in accordance with Section I-b of the By-Laws of the Board of Park Commissioners was commenced. Clarke Johnson, Secretary of the Board, acted as temporary chairman and asked for a motion for the election of officers for 2012.

Mr. Ragan moved that Dr. Durick be elected President for 2012. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and passed. Ms. Marrow moved that Mr. Ragan be re-elected 1st Vice President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schiavoni and passed. Dr. Durick moved that Mr. Schiavoni be elected 2nd Vice President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye:  Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni  
Voting Nay:  None

Mr. Johnson gave the control of the meeting to the Board President, Dr. Durick.

The Board received the following public comments:

- Lynn Anderson, Youngstown, regarding fracturing for drilling
- Dan DeMatthews of Youngstown, regarding water studies prior to drilling
- John Williams, of Niles, regarding airborne gasses from wells
- Member of the public, regarding fracking
- Liz Kumprakob, of Youngstown, regarding a healthy Youngstown

The Board thanked the public for their comments.

Mr. Schiavoni moved the Minutes of the Meeting of January 9, be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and passed.

Voting Aye:  Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni  
Voting Nay:  None

Mr. Macejko moved the Minutes of the Meeting of January 31, be approved. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durick and passed.

Voting Aye:  Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni  
Voting Nay:  None

Kevin Smith, Administrative Services Director/Treasurer presented the Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Ragan moved, the funds having been certified as on hand and duly appropriated, that disbursements #56374 through #56657 be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schiavoni and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye:  Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni  
Voting Nay:  None

Steve Avery, Planning & Operations Director presented Resolution R-12-01 Filing of Application for Transportation Enhancement Program. After discussion, Mr. Schiavoni
motioned that the resolution be approved.
R-12-01

FILING OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments (Eastgate) on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), administers financial assistance for transportation enhancement purposes as provided for by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), which directs that 10% of ODOT's Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds be set aside for transportation enhancement projects, and

WHEREAS, the Idora Bridge on East Park Drive and the Old Orchard Bridge on Chestnut Hill Drive in Mill Creek Park need to be improved, and

WHEREAS, the Idora Bridge and the Old Orchard Bridge are contributing structures in the Mill Creek Park Historic District, and

WHEREAS, the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District desires financial assistance under FHWA's Transportation Enhancement Program, and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Enhancement Program will provide up to 80% of the total construction cost of a project, including construction engineering, inspection and testing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District agree as follows:

1. The Executive Director of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file an application with Eastgate for financial assistance from the Transportation Enhancement Program for the improvement of the Idora Bridge and the Old Orchard Bridge in Mill Creek Park.

2. The Board of Park Commissioners hereby agrees to share in the cost of the proposed project.

3. The Board of Park Commissioners hereby agrees to the future maintenance of the proposed project.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marrow and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

Steve Avery, Planning & Operations Director presented Resolution R-12-01 Filing of Application for Transportation Enhancement Program. After discussion, Mr. Schiavoni motioned that the resolution be approved.

R-12-02

FILING OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments (Eastgate) on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), administers financial assistance for transportation enhancement purposes as provided for by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), which directs that 10% of ODOT’s Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds be set aside for transportation enhancement projects, and
WHEREAS, the steel spandrel arch beams and the steel railings on the Slippery Rock Bridge, located on West Glacier Drive in Mill Creek Park, need to be painted, and

WHEREAS, the Slippery Rock Bridge is a contributing structure in the Mill Creek Park Historic District, and

WHEREAS, the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District desires financial assistance under FHWA’s Transportation Enhancement Program, and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Enhancement Program will provide up to 80% of the total construction cost of a project, including construction engineering, inspection and testing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District agree as follows:

1. The Executive Director of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file an application with Eastgate for financial assistance from the Transportation Enhancement Program for the painting of the spandrel arch beams and the railings on the Slippery Rock Bridge in Mill Creek Park.

2. The Board of Park Commissioners hereby agrees to share in the cost of the proposed project.

3. The Board of Park Commissioners hereby agrees to the future maintenance of the proposed project.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Marrow and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

Kevin Smith, Treasurer, presented Resolution R-12-03, Requesting Authorization to Make Tax Advance Requests to the Mahoning County Auditor. After discussion, Mr. Schiavoni moved the resolution be approved.

R-12-03
RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION
TO MAKE TAX ADVANCE REQUESTS TO
THE MAHONING COUNTY AUDITOR ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD
AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT 2012

WHEREAS, per ORC 321.34, the Mahoning County Auditor has procedures available to request Real Property Tax Collection advances for Mill Creek MetroParks, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of the MetroParks will request advances on the dates listed below:
- February 24, 2012 (if sufficient taxes are collected)
- March 2, 2012
- March 9, 2012
- March 16, 2012 (if settlement is not completed by this date)

and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks authorizes the Treasurer to make this request, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of the MetroParks will provide the Mahoning County Auditor a copy of this resolution by noon the Monday before the advance is scheduled.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Keith Kaiser requested that the MetroParks accept a van donated by Fred Martin. Mr. Macejko moved we accept the vehicle. Mr. Schiavoni seconded the motion, and the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

Keith Kaiser requested that the MetroParks accept property near Fellows Riverside Gardens that has been donated by the Tacsik family. The board thanked the family who were present in the audience. Mr. Ragan moved we accept the vehicle. Mr. Macejko seconded the motion, and the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

Carolyn Pofok, Recreation Director requested that Fitness Together be given permission to hold a walk-a-thon fundraiser on April 28, in the Wick Recreation Area, with proceeds to benefit the Mill Creek Park Foundation. Ms. Marrow motioned to allow the walk-a-thon. Mr. Macejko seconded the motion, and the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

Dennis Miller, Golf Director, requested that the Regional Chamber of Commerce be given permission to hold a golf outing on June 6, 2012. Mr. Ragan motioned to allow the outing. Mr. Schiavoni seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

A member of the public (Dan) handed out a CD to each Board Member regarding fracking.

Dr. Durick announced that the next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 12, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. at the MetroParks Farm.

There being no further business, Mr. Ragan moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Schiavoni seconded the motion, and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Durick, Macejko, Marrow, Ragan, Schiavoni
Voting Nay: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.