

Canfield, Ohio
February 18, 2009

The Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 18, 2009, 6:00 p.m., with members M. Virginia Dailey and Jay Macejko present. Carl Nunziato was not present.

This being the second meeting of 2009, 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. David Imbrogno, Secretary of the Board, acted as temporary chairman and asked for a motion for the election of officers for 2009. Mr. Macejko moved that Ms. Dailey be elected President for 2009. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dailey and passed. Ms. Dailey moved that Mr. Macejko be elected 1st Vice President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and passed. Ms. Dailey moved that Mr. Nunziato be elected 2nd Vice President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Mr. Imbrogno returned control of the meeting to Ms. Dailey.

Mr. Macejko moved the Minutes of the Meeting of January 20, 2009, be approved. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dailey and passed.

Dave Christy presented the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Macejko moved, the funds having been certified as on hand and duly appropriated, that disbursements #45951 through #46254 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Dailey and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Mr. Macejko moved that the Board of Park Commissioners request real estate tax advances from the Mahoning County Auditor for all tax advance dates in 2009, and authorize the Treasurer to request these advances as they become available throughout 2009.

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Dave Christy also requested that in preparation for the 2009 Budget, the Board approve the creation of a new Capital Project Fund, to be called the Wetland Restoration Fund. This fund will be used to account for the WRRSP (Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program) Grant that we will receive from the Ohio EPA. Mr. Macejko motioned that the fund be created.

Ms. Dailey seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Dave Christy presented the proposed 2009 Budget for approval. After discussion, Mr. Macejko moved the following 2009 Budget be adopted:

Ms. Dailey presented the following statement dated February 18, 2009, from Mr. Nunziato to the Board of Park Commissioners: "This is to acknowledge that I have received and reviewed the 2009 proposed budget. After an extensive discussion with MetroParks' Treasurer David Christy, I am in full support of adopting the 2009 budget as presented."

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Dave Christy presented the attached bids for Fungicides, Herbicides, Insecticides, & Fertilizers, having been received in response to legal advertisement.

MILL CREEK METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
FUNGICIDES, HERBICIDES, INSECTICIDES, FERTILIZER - February 6, 2009, page 1 of 1

TURF-
GRASS
WALKE
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GREEN
STAR
ADVANC
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HELENA
HARREL
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JOHN
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SUPPLY
COOP
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TURF
SPEC
LESCO
INC

FUNGICIDES:

Aliette - Signature

22.25
19.48
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20.50
23.50
29.00

Banner - Maxx

163.00
158.40
425.00
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119.00
175.50
348.35

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348.00
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335.00
420.01
455.00

Bayleton 50%

82.00
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76.00
83.30
91.80

Daconil Ultrex

9.48
8.10
9.05
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Heritage
349.99
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Subdue Maxx
459.00
510.00
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560.00
652.88
760.25

Lesco Revere 4000
29.50
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29.25
28.00

Touche EG
34.00
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32.30
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34.00
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Endorse
19.95
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21.00
20.28
29.68

T-Storm
17.90
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9.37
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12.49

Echo 90 DG

7.20
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6.50
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5.90
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7.16

Medallion WSP
228.00
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245.60
228.00
31.99

INSECTICIDES

Dursban Pro
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92.80
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39.00
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Scimitar GC
5.75
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112.00
132.25
162.00

Merit .05G
1.35
1.20
.95
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1.05

1.47
2.01

Merit 75 WSP

195.45
115.63
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93.75
195.46
200.625

DuPont Acelepryn

1760.00
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880.00
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1760.00

HERBICIDES

Dimension

292.00
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199.50
266.00
279.20

Chaser - Ultra

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39.60

Round-Up

36.00

29.10

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34.00

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58.80

Strike Three

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22.20

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19.93

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21.60

FERTILIZERS

Lesco 12-24-14 Elite

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Lesco 18-24-12

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Lesco 21-4-11

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Osmocote 14-14-14
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Lesco 30-5-10
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Lesco 0-0-50-18
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.903

Lesco 0-0-7 w/pendimethaline
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.27

Merit .02 Plus Turf Fertilizer
1.08
.86
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1.04
.799

Nature Safe Greens Grade 10-
2-8
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.72
.459

Lesco 0-0-50-18 Greens Grade

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.89
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.903

Super K 12-2-12 Liquid

11.60
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14.00
10.07

Dimension + Fertilizer 19-3-6
Mini Gran

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.464

Gary's Green 18-3-4 Plus Iron

33.80
35.40
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11.88
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25.

Lesco 24-3-12 Mini Fertilizer

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.499

Kelly's Greens Grade Cap.

Gypsum Micro

.178
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.20
.23

Grigg Bros Ultraplex 5-0-3

45.80
47.60

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22.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Turface
.198
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.134

Embark 2-S
310.00
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245.00
285.00
311.25

Primo Maxx
375.00
333.50
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215.00
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415.50

Proxy Bayer Growth Regulator
43.00
39.00
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35.50
43.00
47.46

BOXED AREAS REPRESENT LOWEST AND BEST BID

We recommend these bids be accepted unless a lower price could be obtained through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program.

Mr. Macejko moved the bids marked be accepted, unless we can get a better price through the State Purchasing Program.

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Linda Kostka, Development & Marketing Manager presented Resolution R-09-02 Resolution of Authorization to apply for financial assistance through ODNR's NatureWorks Program to develop a natural playground at the MetroParks Farm. After discussion, Mr. Macejko motioned that the resolution be approved.

R-09-02

Resolution of Authorization

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks Program, and

WHEREAS, Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek

Metropolitan Park District that they approve filing an application for financial assistance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Park Commissioners does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the NatureWorks Program.

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Linda Kostka presented for discussion the idea of developing guidelines for handling requests from outside organizations for donations of MetroParks items.

Justin Rogers, Planning Manager presented the attached bid tabulations for Design Services, Project Construction, and Monitoring for the Mill Creek Preserve Wetland Restoration Project, having been received in response to legal advertisement.

TABULATION OF BIDS

PROJECT NAME:	Mill Creek Preserve Wetland Restoration		
BID OPENING:	February 11, 2009	PROJ. COMP. DATE:	October 15, 2009
ESTIMATE:	\$360,000.00	10% BID CAP:	\$396,000.00

Name of Bidder
Total Amount
of Bid as Read
at Bid Opening

Total Amount
of Bid After
Tabulation

Brookside Construction Services, Inc. (Medina,
OH)
\$247,645.00
\$247,645.00

C. Crump Inc. (Hubbard, OH)
\$323,046.78

\$323,046.78

Davey Resource Group (Kent, OH)
\$251,334.00

\$251,334.00

JF New & Associates, Inc. (Cincinnati, OH)
\$287,500.00

\$287,500.00

Vizmeg Landscape Inc. (Stow, OH)
\$354,832.00

\$354,832.00

Wallace and Pancher, Inc. (Hermitage, PA)
\$360,000.00

\$360,000.00

NOTES:

1. Six (6) bids were received, checked and tabulated.
2. No errors were found in any of the six (6) bids.
3. The total amount for all six (6) of the bids received was within the 10% bid cap.
4. The apparent low bidder at the bid opening and after tabulation is Brookside Construction Services, Inc.
5. A Workers' Compensation Certificate was not included in the original bid of Brookside Construction Services, Inc. Since the opening, a certificate has been submitted to the MetroParks and included with the bid.

NOTES (cont.):

6. Brookside Construction Services, Inc. is utilizing the services of Envirotech Consultants, Inc. and Eco-Design & Engineering, Ltd. for the project. Based upon a review of the background information provided in the bid and contacting references for each company, all parties appear to be qualified to complete the work required for the project. Brookside Construction Services, Inc.

has not performed work on previous MetroParks improvement projects.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. It is recommended that Brookside Construction Services, Inc. be awarded the contract for the project named "MILL CREEK PRESERVE WETLAND RESTORATION" at the grand total amount bid of \$247,645.00.

After discussion Ms. Dailey motioned that the bid of Brookside Construction Services, Inc. be accepted, it being the lowest and best bid. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko and the vote taken upon its adoption resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Justin Rogers presented Resolution R-09-03 Resolution of Endorsement of Watershed Action Plan. After discussion, Mr. Macejko motioned that the resolution be approved.

Resolution R-09-03

Resolution in Support of the Endorsement of the Mill Creek Watershed Action Plan

WHEREAS, the Mill Creek Watershed Action Plan is a dynamic document, reflective of the extensive coordination and collaboration between various local, state and federal agencies, that addresses non-point pollution and water quality issues within the Mill Creek Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Plan provides strategies to efficiently and effectively restore the health of the watershed and provide the greatest environmental benefits to its residents by:

- _ Identifying locally-based water quality problems and solutions
- _ Preventing further degradation of our area's water resources
- _ Linking financial resources to environmentally effective actions
- _ Matching appropriate actions to known causes of non-point source pollution impairments
- _ Educating residents and public officials on proper watershed management techniques
- _ Providing a resource and reference guide for agencies and organizations concerned with improving the environmental status of the watershed

WHEREAS, the desired environmental outcomes through implementation of the identified programs and projects in the Plan include the restoration of impaired waters, protection of existing high quality waters, and measures to prevent non-point source pollution from ever reaching the waters of the Mill Creek Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been submitted to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, where upon review by a professional committee representing each agency, the Plan has received full statewide endorsement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Board of Park Commissioners of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District hereby expresses its support for the endorsement of the Mill Creek Watershed Action Plan. We acknowledge that the Plan will provide environmental benefits to our local communities situated within the Mill Creek Watershed by providing guidance to resolve the current and pending issues affecting the watershed.

Ms. Dailey seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Justin Rogers, gave details regarding the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ohio EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase II Program and Coordination with the Mahoning County Board of Commissioners. Mr. Macejko moved to approve the agreement. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dailey and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Dave Imbrogno gave an update on the Temporary Housing Policy to be signed by interns and other temporary residents using the MetroParks Intern and Guest house and other facilities. Per the Board's request we have consulted with MetroParks attorneys on the final wording of the document. They recommended only minor changes. This policy does not require Board approval but was presented to the board for discussion and so that they would be informed about how the MetroParks would be using the new intern and guest house.

Tom Bresko, Recreation & Programs Director made the following requests:

1. US Cycling Federation - to hold a fundraiser in the Wick Recreation Area and on Park roads on Sunday, June 7, 2009, to benefit the Lance Armstrong Foundation
2. Canfield High School Cross Country Boosters - to hold a fundraiser on the MetroParks Bikeway, on Saturday, June 27, 2009, to benefit their organization
3. Fellowship of Christian Athletes - to hold a fundraiser on the MetroParks Bikeway, on Saturday, July 25, 2009, to benefit their organization

Mr. Macejko motioned that the requests be approved. Ms. Dailey seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko
Voting Nay: None

Staff Reports

Dave Imbrogno

¥ Dave Imbrogno noted that the board had received the 2008 Annual Report and 2009 Annual Plan. He reported that a public version of the 2008 Annual Report would be available just prior to the 2009 spring season.

¥ Mr. Imbrogno also reported that groups of staff and community members would be brought together in April to solicit their input into key areas of the developing Strategic Plan. Select members of the groups would then be invited to continue as participants in the MetroParks ongoing Advisory Groups including the Diversity Advisory Group, Natural Areas Management Advisory Group and other.

¥ At the next Board meeting Al Frasz from Dovetail Energy would make a presentation on the possibilities of wind and solar power at the MetroParks Farm. There will be an informal tour of the farm at 4:00 p.m. followed by a 5:00 p.m. presentation to the Board at the Board meeting. The remainder of the board meeting agenda would follow at about 6 :00 p.m.

¥ Mr. Imbrogno then suggested that we may invite a representative of the Mahoning Valley Organizing Collaborative speak to discuss possible cooperative efforts between their organization and the MetroParks in addressing the number of abandoned properties in Youngstown, particularly those adjoining and near Mill Creek Park.

¥ Mr. Imbrogno reported that he had been asked to serve on the Mahoning River Corridor Coordinating Committee being organized through the YSU School of Urban Studies. The goal of the group is to help to coordinate the many initiatives in the Mahoning River Corridor and help to fund them. A public meeting introducing the Coordinating Committee will be held at the Gardens in late March.

¥ Justin Rogers reported that the MetroParks was recognized by the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association with its top award for historic preservation for the revitalization of the Suspension Bridge completed last year.

¥ Tom Bresko thanked Laura Courtwright of the Town Crier Newspapers for the excellent article on the Mindy Henning scholarship fund.

Ms. Dailey announced that the next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. beginning with a presentation by Dovetail Energy. The remainder of the agenda will follow at 6:00 p.m., at the MetroParks Farm, Classroom A.

The Board received the following public comments:

¥ Dr. McConnell asked about monies set aside over the years to dredge Lake Newport. He asked how much had accumulated. Ginny Dailey said that we would check into the matter and report back to him.

¥ A Board Meeting guest had questions regarding the Wetland Restoration Project along Western Reserve Road; specifically about public access, and about concerns that deer in the area would be a safety concerns on Western Reserve Road. Justin Rogers noted that wetlands attract fewer deer

than many other habitats and the project should not increase the deer herd any more than it is now. Dave Imbrogno added that appropriate public access to the site would be provided, however, our natural areas, particularly wetlands, are sensitive systems and access would be monitored and controlled as needed.

¥ Rick Shale noted that the Mahoning Valley Historical Society recently acquired a very interesting photo of the Mill Creek Furnace when it was intact.

At the end of the public comment session, the Board thanked the public for their comments.

Ms. Dailey moved the Board meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters and real estate issues. The motion was seconded by Mr. Macejko, and the vote taken resulted as follows:

For Executive Session: Dailey, Macejko
Against Executive Session: None

The motion was passed, and the Board met in Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

The Board returned from the Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. Upon completion of the Executive Session, the Board adjourned its meeting.