

Canfield, Ohio  
July 11, 2011

The Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks met in Regular Session on Monday, July 11, 2011, at 6:00 p.m., with members Jay Macejko, Bob Durick, John Ragan, Valencia Marrow, and Louis Schiavoni present.

Ms. Marrow moved the Minutes of the Meeting of June 13, 2011, be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schiavoni and passed.

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

Dave Christy, Administrative Services Director/Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report. Dr. Durick moved, the funds having been certified as on hand and duly appropriated, that disbursements #54273 through # 54552 be approved, and that the appropriation request be approved.

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  
Voting Nay: None

Clarke Johnson, Executive Director, presented the Board with samples of strategic plans from various park districts throughout the country, that were done by Pros Consulting.

Jim Willock, Police Chief, presented Resolution R-11-08 to honor retiring police officer Donald Carney. Mr. Ragan moved the resolution be approved.

R-11-08  
RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRING METROPARKS POLICE OFFICER  
Donald Carney

WHEREAS: Donald Carney has served Mill Creek MetroParks and the people of Mahoning County since 1980, and

WHEREAS: Officer Carney has ensured the safety of park visitors and staff through excellent police work, as well as creating a visitor-friendly, helpful police presence in the MetroParks, and

WHEREAS: Officer Carney and the Mill Creek MetroParks Police have earned the respect and cooperation of law enforcement entities both adjoining the MetroParks and in the community at large, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Mill Creek MetroParks Board of Park Commissioners and staff wish to thank Officer Donald Carney and honor him for his outstanding service to the MetroParks and this community.

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

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

Tom Bresko, Deputy Director, presented Resolution R-11-09 honoring volunteer Nancy Brundage. Dr. Durick seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

R-11-09  
Resolution Honoring  
Nancy Brundage  
MetroParks Volunteer

Whereas, Nancy Brundage has been a volunteer for Mill Creek MetroParks for 25 years and has devoted countless hours in various capacities, and

Whereas, Nancy Brundage graduated in Ohio's first Certified Volunteer Naturalist program, and

Whereas, Nancy Brundage has led bird walks in the Newport Wetland Area, as well as throughout the MetroParks for over two decades, initiated the popular tradition of hand-feeding chickadees in Mill Creek Park, worked diligently to advance birding awareness and knowledge, and served with the Audubon Society/Mahoning Valley and numerous community organizations, and

Whereas, Nancy Brundage has pledged funds to construct a bird blind at the Mill Creek Preserve.

Now therefore be it resolved: That the Board of Park Commissioners expresses its sincere appreciation to Nancy Brundage for her service to and support of Mill Creek MetroParks and the community. A suitable copy of the Resolution shall be prepared and presented to Nancy Brundage and an additional copy shall be placed in the permanent archives of Mill Creek MetroParks.

Mr. Ragan seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

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

Kirsten Peetz, Environmental Manager, presented the Deed and Agreement of Conservation Easement for the Ironwood Commons area in Canfield, Ohio. Dr. Durick motioned that the Agreement be signed.

Mr. Macejko seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

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

Mr. Macejko announced that the next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, August 8, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fellows Riverside Gardens.

Mr. Schiavoni moved the Board meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. The motion was seconded by Ms. Marrow, and the vote taken resulted as follows:

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

The motion was passed, and the Board met in Executive Session at 6:35p.m.

Mr. Schiavoni left at 7:40 p.m., prior to the end of Executive Session.

The Board returned from the Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. Upon completion of the Executive Session, the Board adjourned its meeting.