

TENTATIVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF MILL CREEK METROPARKS HELD SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

The Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek MetroParks met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 17, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., at the Kirk Road Trailhead, with members M. Virginia Dailey, Jay Macejko, and Carl Nunziato present.

Ms. Dailey introduced and welcomed the new Chief of Police for the MetroParks, Jim Willock. He will be sworn in on September 30, 2009, at Fellows Riverside Gardens, and begin work on October 5.

Atty. Macejko moved the Minutes of the Meetings of August 17, 2009, be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nunziato and passed.

Atty. Macejko moved the Minutes of the Meeting of August 31, 2009, be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nunziato and passed.

Dave Christy, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Nunziato moved, the funds having been certified as on hand and duly appropriated, that disbursements #47938 through #48381 be approved.

MILL CREEK METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT
As Of September 11, 2009

INFORMATION ITEMS:

CASH BALANCES
As of September 11, 2009

Cashier Change	\$	6,000.00	
Cash-Active Account		2,964,658.45	
Cash-Payroll Account		5,000.00	
Cash-Group Health Ins. Fund		87,549.92	
*Star Ohio		327,013.07	
*Star Ohio Group Health Acct.		93,751.35	
*Star Ohio Replacement Res.		934,383.04	
+Farmer's Bank Rep. Res. Acct.		924,258.01	
Huntington Bank Inv. Acct.		100.00	
**Huntington CDARS Rep. Res.		500,000.00	
***Huntington CDARS Gen. Fund		400,000.00	
****Huntington Money Market		241,258.43	
TOTAL CASH			\$6,483,972.28

*Star Ohio is currently paying 0.17% on all accounts. There are no time restraints with these investments and can be withdrawn at any time.

+Farmer's Bank $\text{\textcircled{D}}$ Repurchase Agreement due 10/02/09, at 1.25%

**Huntington CDARS Rep. Res. $\text{\textcircled{D}}$ CD due 10/08/09, at 1.20%

***Huntington CDARS Gen. Fund $\text{\textcircled{D}}$ CD due 10/15/09, at 1.20%

****Huntington Money Market Account $\text{\textcircled{D}}$ Guaranteed at 2% for one year, no time restraint on account.

ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL:

CHECK APPROVAL

Approval required of checks written per the check register provided to the board.

EXPENSE APPROVAL

Per the Ohio Revised Code, the treasurer is authorized to approve expenditures that are made without a previously approved purchase request within a 30 days of the actual expenditure by completing a "then and now" certificate. The following expenditures do not fall into this category and therefore require Board approval.

The following expenses were incurred by David Imbrogno during the performance as Executive Director:

Travel Expenses (June 2009)	\$698.90
Misc. Reimbursable Expenses	63.39
Cell Phone Expenses (June-Aug.)	133.96
Less: FedEx Charge (Personal)	(16.31)
Amount Due	\$879.94

I also request approval to pay the FedEx bill shown above in the amount of \$16.31, which also falls outside the thirty day time limit (incurred 6/29/2009).

The motion was seconded by Atty. Macejko and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
Voting Nay: None

Dave Christy gave an explanation and a brief history regarding the following resolution. Mr. Nunziato moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

R-09-09

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

WHEREAS, The Board of Park Commissioners of Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District, Mahoning County, Ohio, in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget or has been granted authority by the Mahoning County Budget Commission to waive this requirement for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Mahoning County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill limitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mill Creek Metropolitan

Park District,
Mahoning County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget
Commission, in its
certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said Park
District the rate
of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitations as
follows:

SCHEDULE A/SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET
COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

FUND
Amount Approved by
Budget Commission
Inside 10 Mill
Limitation
Amount to Be
Derived from Levies
Outside 10 M
Limitation
County Auditor's
Estimate of Tax Rate
to be Levied Inside
10 Mill Limit
County Auditor's
Estimate of Tax Rate
to be Levied Outside
10 M Limitation

Column I
Column II
Column III
Column IV
General Fund

6,332,738.06

1.75

TOTAL

6,332,738.06

1.75

And be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy
of the
Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Atty. Macejko seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the
vote
resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato

Voting Nay: None

Ms. Dailey read Resolution R-09-10 Recognizing Tony Leone upon his retirement.

R-09-10
RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRING METROPARKS SPECIAL PROJECTS
DIRECTOR, ANTHONY LEONE

WHEREAS, Anthony Leone has served Mill Creek MetroParks and the people of Mahoning County since 1977, including service as Assistant Green Superintendent, Director of Golf, Assistant Superintendent, Deputy Director, and Director of Special Projects; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Leone has been involved in every aspect of Mill Creek MetroParks from its day-to-day operation, to the development of long-range goals, to the production of major special events; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Leone has served on the Board of Directors of the Ohio Park and Recreation Association and many of its committees, and through professional relationships with colleagues and local agencies, has helped advance parks and recreation in the Mill Creek MetroParks and throughout Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Leone has programmed the Judge Leo P. Morley Pavilion since its inception in 1994, and has brought a wide variety of musical entertainment to thousands of appreciative visitors far and wide; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Leone, with his experience and knowledge, has advanced the growth and progress of Mill Creek MetroParks and has represented it as a professional and as a gentleman; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Mill Creek MetroParks Board of Park Commissioners and staff recognize Anthony Leone for his achievements, express their sincere appreciation, and honor him for his contribution to Mill Creek MetroParks and this community;

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this Resolution be prepared and presented to Mr. Leone as a small token of appreciation for his work.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, We, the Board of Park Commissioners hereunto set our hand this 17th day of September 2009.

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
Voting Nay: None

Justin Rogers, Planning Manager explained the following resolution and requested it be approved.

R-09-07
ODOT-PARK DISTRICT ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND, 2010-2011 BIENNIUM

WHEREAS, the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), in accordance with ORC 5511.06, has approved a discretionary funding allocation for the ODOT Park District Road Improvement Fund for the 2010-2011 biennium, and

WHEREAS, under specific agreement with ODOT, the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association (OPRA) is serving as the management liaison for the ODOT Park District Road Improvement Fund, and

WHEREAS, the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District (MCMPD) is eligible to receive the funds based on the following criteria: MCMPD was created according to Ohio Revised Code Section 1545; MCMPD owns (or holds a minimum 15-year lease) and manages property in Mahoning County; and MCMPD has adequate resources to coordinate construction and maintenance of improvement projects, and

WHEREAS, a funding distribution formula approved by the Director of ODOT, which is based upon motor vehicle registrations within each county on a State biennium basis, has allocated \$105,097.00 to the MCMPD for the 2010-2011 biennium, and

WHEREAS, MCMPD understands the requirements for receiving such funds and agrees to comply with the OPRA policy dated April 13, 2007, and as amended on November 7, 2008, and

WHEREAS, MCMPD has various park drives, roads, bridges and parking lots that need to be improved.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District that:

1. The MCMPD hereby requests approval from OPRA to receive the amount allocated by ODOT plus any carry over amounts from the previous biennium, and
2. The MCMPD agrees to pay all project costs in excess of the amount allocated by ODOT, and
3. The MCMPD agrees to pay for all costs associated with design, environmental documentation and right-of-way activities, and
4. The allocated funds will be used for construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair and maintenance of park district drives, roads, bridges or parking lots in accordance with ORC 5511.06, and
5. The proposed project will be initiated during the 2010-2011 biennium period.

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
Voting Nay: None

Ginny Elser, Assistant Recreation Director/Special Events & Programs Manager, gave an explanation of the following events and requested they be approved.

¥ Request of University Health System, Inc., to hold a fundraiser 5k foot race on Saturday, May 15, 2010, on Park drives
 ¥ Request of Hearts for a Safe Harbor to hold a fundraiser 5k footrace on Sunday, August 22, 2010, on Park drives

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

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
 Voting Nay: None

Tom Bresko, Interim Executive Director presented a letter of support for the Boardman Local School District to install a Wind Cube turbine for the Boardman School District.

Mr. Nunziato motioned that a letter of support be approved. Atty. Macejko seconded the motion and the vote taken resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
 Voting Nay: None

Justin Rogers, Planning Manager, presented a letter for approval by the Board to nominate himself for membership on the District 6 Natural Resources Assistance Council.

Atty. Macejko motioned that Mr. Rogers be nominated. Mr. Nunziato seconded the nomination and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Voting Aye: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato
 Voting Nay: None

Tom Bresko, Interim Executive Director presented a letter from the City of Struthers requesting to move their Skate Park to Yellow Creek Park in Struthers. After discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bresko to draft a letter to Mayor Stocker indicating that the MetroParks is not in support of the Skate Park being installed anywhere in the MetroParks, however we can be of any assistance in their search for an alternative location.

Departmental Information/Briefing Items:

Tom Bresko-

¥ Meeting here at the Kirk Road Trailhead is an effort to hold Board Meetings throughout the county.

¥ There are two community outreach programs coming up Ð Community Day at Smith Township, and Sebring Octoberfest.

¥ Jim Willock is in the process of completing the paperwork necessary to add him to payroll.

¥ Tom also assured the Board and Staff that during this period of transition with the Executive Director position, the MetroParks is maintaining its smooth operation.

Linda Kostka, Development & Marketing Director Ð

¥ Thanked all staff and volunteers for their help with the Canfield Fair.

¥ Presented the Board with a brochure of an upcoming event by the Wean Foundation, of which she will present a fundraising program.

Dennis Miller, Golf Director ☺

¥ Golf Course aerification is complete; Par 3 Golf Course is next.

¥ Autumn Harvest special began.

¥ Golf Course committee meeting will be held in October.

¥ Atty. Macejko mentioned that he has received several comments recently about how nice the course is.

¥ Plans are in the works for more landscape beautification.

Justin Rogers, Planning Manager ☺

¥ Gave an update on the Wetland Restoration Project on Western Reserve Road.

Bruce Emery, Interim Chief of Police ☺

¥ Qualifications for weapons training begins next week.

¥ City of Youngstown has been helping with security at football games at the Volney Rogers field.

Ginny Elser, Special Events & Programs Manager ☺

¥ Gave an update on recent and upcoming programs and events.

Annette Vasko, Recreation Facilities Manager

¥ Announced that he Boathouses and 3 larger picnic pavilions are closed for the season.

Carl Nunziato presented an article from the Vindicator for the historical archives.

The Board received the following public comments:

¥ Rick Shale ☺ thanked Tony for the wonderful concerts at the Judge Morley Pavilion, and mentioned a hike and several programs coming up.

¥ Nancy Brundage mentioned several bird walks coming up.

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

Ms. Dailey announced that the next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, October 19 in Sebring, tentatively to be held at the Sebring City Council Chambers.

Atty. Macejko moved the Board meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition, personnel issues, and labor negotiations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nunziato, and the vote taken resulted as follows:

For Executive Session: Dailey, Macejko, Nunziato

Against Executive Session: None

The motion was passed, and the Board met in Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

The Board returned from the Executive Session at 9:45 p.m.

Upon completion of the Executive Session, the Board adjourned its meeting.