

Ashtabula County Metroparks

Board Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2022 - 4:30 p.m.
Ashtabula County Engineer's Office
2nd Floor Conference Room
186 East Satin Street
Jefferson, Ohio 44047

Call to Order- 4:32 PM

Board members in attendance: Vice President Joe Tredent, Holly Mayernick, Charlie Kohli, and Paul Carpenter

Staff in attendance: Antoinette Swegheimer, Brett Bellas, Eric Dietrich, and Laura Beattie

Guests in attendance: Brian Haytcher, Mary Jane Wheeler, and Brett Rodstrom

Mayernick moved to approve the agenda; Carpenter seconded. All in favor, "aye".

Kohli moved to approve the October 19, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes; Mayernick seconded. All in favor, "aye".

Kohli moved to accept the October 2022 financial reports including the Appropriation Status, Fund Summary and Payment Listing; Carpenter seconded. All in favor, "aye".

Tredent directed the board to the next item on the agenda, the Appropriations for 2023. A brief discussion was held.

Tredent addressed the guests in attendance. Rodstrom was invited to attend a discussion later in the meeting. No other guests spoke at this time.

Presidents Report: None

Staff Report:

Swegheimer shared that the staff have attended several meetings regarding the Appalachian Grant and partnership options. The application opened on November 2, 2022.

Mayernick thanked Operations Manager Brett Bellas for addressing the visibility issue around the curve at the Rock Creek Connector.

Kohli and Swegheimer shared they will be attending the next Great Ohio Lake to River Greenway Coalition meeting, Wednesday, November 16th.

Kohli shared, The Lodge at Geneva-on-the-Lake provides a Map and Guide, "Can't Miss, Must See" to all visitors. The Greenway Trail is listed in the top 7 locations one must see. This is a very nice way to promote the Metroparks trail, per Kohli.

Kohli stated he visited the Friends of Conneaut Creek Metropark and the staircase. It has a beautiful view, per Kohli. Bellas shared that it is approximately 72 steps and a nice bench at the top of the hill. A brief discussion was held. Bellas stated the primitive trails will take place early next year.

Action Required:

Mayernick moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2022-15 for the Ashtabula County Metroparks Appropriations for 2023 as presented; Carpenter seconded. Roll call, "aye".

Carpenter moved to accept LJB Engineering's bid recommendation for the Red Brook Metropark Labyrinth Project and approve the alternate bid amount of \$96,799 to contract with Union Industrial Contractor; Mayernick seconded. Roll call, "aye".

Mayernick moved to enter executive session to discuss property, legal and personnel at 4:46 pm; Carpenter seconded. Roll call, "aye". Tredent invited Swegheimer, Beattie, Bellas, Dietrich and Rodstrom to attend.

Mayernick moved to end executive session and return to regular session at 5:31 pm; Kohli seconded.

Kohli moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-14 authorizing the application to the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund; Mayernick seconded. Roll call, "aye".

Carpenter moved to approve the Western Reserve land Conservancy and Ashtabula County Metroparks Purchase and Sale Agreements for parcel numbers 08-020-00-005-00, 25-017-00-028-00 and 25-017-00-011-00; Mayernick seconded. Roll call, "aye".

Carpenter moved to approve the Western Reserve land Conservancy and Ashtabula County Metroparks Service Fee Agreement; Kohli seconded. Roll call, "aye".

Mayernick moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm; Carpenter seconded. **All in favor, "aye"**.

Upcoming:

Next Board Meeting

December 14, 2022-4:30 p.m.

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Marie Lane, ACMP Board President



Laura Beattie, Fiscal Officer/Clerk of the Board