

**ASHTABULA COUNTY METROPARKS**  
25 West Jefferson Street, Jefferson, OH 44047

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday May 10th, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Ashtabula County Metroparks Board of Commissioners was held at the Board Office meeting room at 91 N. Chestnut Street in Jefferson, Ohio and called to order at 6:30 pm by Paul Carpenter, President. Board Members attending and completing a quorum were: Paul Carpenter, President; Bob Best, Vice President, and Charlie Kohli, Member. Terry Berkey and Marie Lane, Members; could not be in attendance. Larry Frimerman, Executive Director; Operations Manager, Brett Bellas; and Pam Blough, Clerk; were also in attendance.

**Business at Hand:**

1. Agenda was reviewed and approved. Kohli moved, second by Best. All in favor.
2. The April 26th Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Kohli, Second by Best. All approved. Motion passed.
3. March Financials reviewed. Move to accept by Kohli, second by Best, all in favor.
4. May Expense worksheet reviewed. Move to accept by Kohli, second by Best, all in favor.

**Audience Participation** is limited to three minutes each and the Board thanks them for their input: N/A

**Director's Report:**

- Security: Started May 1<sup>st</sup>. Hours had to be adjusted, car was not presentable, and reports were not submitted. Mr. Frimerman has resolved these issues.
- WRGT:
  - The slide repair is still under investigation.
  - New mower has a cylinder problem. Mr. Bellas will follow up.
  - Mr. Kohli is still considering the bike run/meeting between Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties. Logistics problems.
  - Cragon Point property may be an option for future North Shore Trail parking.
- Kohli and Berkey were not able to complete the Pymtuning Valley Greenway scope on April 20<sup>th</sup> due to poor weather conditions. Berkey is recovering from surgery; Kohli, Bellas and Carpenter will meet at 9am May 24<sup>th</sup> to run the trail, take notes and GPS points.
- County-wide trail coalition meeting still TBD.
- CDC is holding their annual meeting next week at the Ashtabula Arts Center. The Board should attend.
- Lampson Reservoir, Eyring, Hatches Corners and Conneaut Creek Metroparks are still planned to be open and accessible by year end.
- Lampson Reservoir needs permit from Army Corps of Engineers in order to replace culverts. Track hoe will need to be rented to prepare and drain.
- Remediation at Conneaut Creek MP will be around \$950.
- TAP application is due Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

1. Affirmation of TAP grant Resolution 2017-002. Moved by Kohli, second Best. All in favor.
2. Mr. Kohli moved to amend the Certificate of Resources for transfer in the amount of \$25,829 for Advance -In General Fund, and appropriation of same in Grants Fund for advance- out. Second by Mr. Best. All in favor. Motion passed.
3. Kohli moved to accept the Goodwill bid, being the best and lowest bid, for mowing at Peet, Indian and Hatches for 2017 season. Second by Best. All in favor. So moved.
4. Mr. Best moved to approve purchase of a trailer and running boards for the truck, in the amount of \$7345. Second by Kohli. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Old Business:**

1. The Monday morning work sessions are cancelled until further notice.
2. Permit is in process for pavilion and vault toilet at Camp Peet.
3. Locks will need to be changed at Camp Peet. Ops Manager will handle.
4. Easement proposal for Rock Creek bypass was reviewed. Language should specify snowmobiles.

Moved by Mr.Kohli to go into executive session to discuss land acquisition at 7:30pm. Second by Best. Call of the Roll. All in favor. So moved. Back into regular meeting at 7:38pm

5. Mr. Best moved approve the agreement with Real Alloy and allow Mr. Frimerman to negotiate on behalf of the Board. Second by Kohli. All in favor. Motion passed.

Adjourn: There being no further business; Mr. Kohli moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:40pm. Mr. Best seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

**Next Board Meeting:**

May 24th, 2017 @ 6:30pm 91 N Chestnut St Jefferson  
Minutes to be approved: May/June 2017

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Paul Carpenter, President (or representative)

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Pam Blough, Clerk