



Regular Meeting with Work Session June 28, 2021

Call to Order: The Board met remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Anita Gantner, Board Chairperson.

Roll Call: Cindy Lombardo, Maureen McGinty, Anita Gantner, Jeff Deluca, Art Gonzales, and Mark Robeson

Excused Absence: Sandy Apidone

Also in Attendance: Park Director David Green, Administrative Coordinator Mindy Remec and approximately 16 attendees.

Ms. Gantner reminded attendees to hold comments until the end of the work session and to keep remarks limited to three minutes. Questions and comments can also be emailed to RJRD.

Work Session

Camping Policy:

Mr. Deluca reported meeting with Summit County Public Health on the property to review camping sites. Additional information is needed from the state. Mr. Green said the camping sites would be determined after information is collected. He confirmed that no new camping reservations are being taken but the reservations already on the calendar are being honored.

Comments and questions by trustees included a request to include camping in strategic plan discussions, questions on the revenue camping could generate, and the fee structure for camping.

Oviatt House Term Sheet:

Ms. Gantner reported that the term sheet is still in development and she is confident that an agreement will be made and there will be something to present at the next meeting.

Insurance Coverage:

Mr. Green reviewed his recommended changes to coverage on property insurance, which include reducing the value of structures for a premium savings of approximately \$1,200.

Comments and questions by trustees included that the value of several structures is in the fact they are the original structures so rebuilding does not make sense, comment that rebuilding is not necessary under the current policy to receive insurance reimbursement in the unlikely event a building is destroyed, and a suggestion to check for a different insurer.

Public Comment on Work Session:

Comments included that property insurance can also cover damage to a building instead of rebuilding an entirely destroyed structure, a suggestion to look at the master plan to decide insurance coverage for buildings, and a comment that plans should be reviewed annually.

Ms. Gantner had internet connectivity issues and Mr. Robeson took over chairing the meeting.

Regular Meeting

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by: Ms. Lombardo and seconded by Mr. Deluca to approve the May 24, 2021 and June 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes as presented.

MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Standing and Special Committee Reports:

Governance and Capital Projects: No report

Fundraising / Advocacy:

Mr. Gonzales said that grants for a pedestrian bridge and dredging the lakes have been identified and should be focused on in the coming months.

Administration Report:

Ms. Remec reported the extension for online meetings was not approved by state legislature and in-person meetings will be resumed in July. The board consensus was to hold in-person meetings at The Lodge and to require masks for unvaccinated attendees.

Ms Remec requested a motion to submit the 2022 Alternative Tax Budget on behalf of Fiscal Officer Mr. Clymer.

MOTION by: Mr. Deluca and seconded by Mr. Gonzales to submit the 2022 Alternative Tax Budget to the County Budget Commission

MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Park Director Report:

Mr. Green provided a written report to the Board and will share the document each month prior to board meetings as requested. Highlights from his report included: a meeting with Ms. Patty Stevens to review strategic plan documents, work with AKE to submit the application for the wastewater treatment plant permit five-year renewal, an inspection by Western Reserve Land Conservancy for the Clean Ohio grant, phase 2 dam work is due to start mid-July, and Chris Moore is doing a good job on the list of work orders.

Mr. Green reviewed items in the Lodge kitchen that no longer have value and requested a motion to declare the list of items as scrap.

MOTION by: Ms. Lombardo and seconded by Ms. McGinty to declare the list of items from The Lodge kitchen as presented scrap.

MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Mr Green summarized the Volunteer Coordinator report from Ms. Czaplicki who submitted a written report. Highlights included: hosting a National Trails Day Work Day, highschool students completion of service hours, collaboration with the Ohio Horseman's Council to reroute a portion of the bridle trail, and a promotional photo shoot was held at The Lodge with the help of Olessia's. Mr. Green thanked volunteers for their work.

Friends of Crowell Hilaka (FoCH) submitted a written report. Mr. Green shared highlights: hours spent cleaning latrines and supplying firewood, fundraising efforts, a mill photography contest, a hike led by historian Lynn Richardson, and an upcoming hike led by a Cleveland State archeologist. FoCH has hired a millwright to complete water wheel restoration, and updates on Amity porch and North House roof work.

Treasurer Report:

Ms. McGinty reported on revenue from rentals, expenditures to date, and information on Resolution 06-2021.

New Business:

Mr. Robeson introduced Resolution 06-2021.

MOTION by: Mr. Robeson and seconded by Ms. McGinty to approve Resolution 06-2021 To Designate Public Depositories and Authorize the Richfield Joint Recreation District Chairperson and Treasurer to Enter into An Agreement for the Deposit of District Funds

MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Mr. Robeson introduced the insurance coverage and Ms. Remec read the motion.

MOTION by: Mr. Robeson and seconded by Mr. Deluca to approve the payment of \$9,853 to Hylant Administrative Services for the Property, Liability and Crime Insurance Renewal with Ohio Plan Insurance as presented.

MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Announcements:

Mr. Deluca announced that the next board meeting would be held at The Lodge.

Questions / Comments from the Floor:

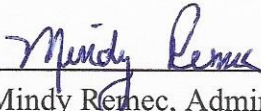
Comments included: a request to recognize volunteers by name, discussion on how to commemorate and recognize volunteers, a \$5,000 matching grant for FoCH's fundraising campaign and efforts to raise additional funds. Lynn Richardson announced that her book on the history of Richfield Heritage Preserve is being published.

Adjournment:

MOTION by: Mr. Robeson and seconded by Mr. Deluca to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.


MOTION PASSED: Vote taken by voice, which was unanimous

Submitted by:



Mindy Renee, Administrative
Coordinator

Accepted by:



Anita Gantner, Acting Board
Chairperson