

Special Meeting with Work Session July 25, 2022

Call To Order: The Board met at the Council Chambers of the Village of Richfield. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Anita Gantner, Board Chair.

Roll Call: Ms. Apidone, Ms. McGinty, Mr. Wehner, Ms. Gantner Excused absences: Mr. Deluca, Mr. Robeson, Mr. Selig

Also in attendance: Village Council representative Sue Ann Philippbar, Township Trustee Don Laubacher, RHP Volunteer Coordinator Susan Czaplicki, Lodge Event Coordinator Shari Green, Cleveland Metroparks staff Kelly Coffman Principal Planner, Jen Greiser Director of Natural Resources, Josiah Denson Planner, and approximately 30 attendees.

Work Session

Strategic Plan progress review and discussion with Stakeholders: Ms. Coffman read the RJRD Mission Statement and emphasized everything we do should relate back to the overall mission. She commented on how the organization is structured – the RJRD Board of Trustees direct the work of the Park Director, and all groups should support that work. Ms. Irland discussed the Trails Team, what has been done to date regarding trails, programming, and community engagement, as well as plans to move forward regarding maps, trails, and programs. Ms. Coffman discussed the need for the park to outline a path forward as well as the need for the Governance Committee to outline a clear hierarchy of roles and responsibilities. Jen Grieser, Cleveland Metroparks Director of Natural Resources, discussed the park's natural resources and the excellent quality of streams and wetlands.

Ms. Coffman reviewed the results of the survey. The park received 481 responses of which 249 were responses from Richfield residents. Ms. Coffman discussed the existing buildings and asked meeting attendees to select their top 5 buildings to save.

Adjournment:

MOTION by: Mr. Wehner and seconded by Ms. McGinty to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 pm.

MOTION PASSED: Vote was taken by voice, which was unanimous

Submitted:

Susan Czaplicki, Volunteer Coordinator

Accepted by:

Anita Gantner, Board Chair