



REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017

(Meeting held at Richfield Masonic Hall)

Prior to the meeting a presentation was given by FMD Architects.

WORK SESSION

Meeting called to order at 6:43pm by Chairman Bob Becker. After the pledge of allegiance the roll call was called by Administrative Coordinator Soroczak

In Attendance: Trustees Smith, Slifcak, Norris, Fleming, Becker, DeLuca

Excused Absence: Trustee Waszak

Architect Selection

Trustee Slifcak called a Governance Meeting - Committee of the Whole for discussion of the architect ranking criteria pertaining to the Caretaker - Office/Visitor Center to be held 6:00 pm, Thursday, July 20.

ANCA-Association of Nature Center Administrators

Trustee Slifcak presented a briefing memo (attached) explaining the purpose of ANCA and how the organization can be a valuable resource to the RJRD. Annual membership \$130.00. Slifcak stated ANCA offers peer consulting in areas of focus selected by each member group, sharing of documents and an optional annual conference for education.. Two motions will be presented one to join, second to send a delegate to the conference in August 2017.

Richfield Chamber of Commerce

Trustee Becker introduced a motion to join the Richfield Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$200.00. The board agreed it would be a good investment to support our local communities.

Agreements/MOUs

Trustee Smith advised the BW draft agreement was prepared and ready for board review. Becker spoke with Mr. Hardy regarding the Gannet Fleming documents to be prepared for the July 24 meeting. Becker complimented Mr. Hardy on his work with Gannett Fleming and thoroughness to agreement details. Final review of the document will go to Mr. Hanna, RJRD legal counsel accordingly.

Gund Hall

Trustee Slifcak would like groups to discuss possible rate structures; for Monday-Thursday, Friday-Sunday. Among other details to be considered:

- clean up, expectations of renter, security, hours, police, resident vs non-resident pricing.

Public Comment on Work Session

Sandy Norris mentioned tables and chairs should be discussed at the Gund Hall Governance meeting along with a projection screen for the venue. Cynthia Williams inquired if there would be resident and non-resident fees. Mayor Beshara shared the Village does have resident and non-resident fees and off duty police may be available for the halls security use, rates would vary on each individual.

SPECIAL MEETING 7:02 PM**Approval of Minutes - None at this time****Standing Committee Reports**

Park Services: Trustee Norris still looking into options for Interfaith Coalition exercise trail/course. Norris also working with FOCH regarding placement on historic signage locations. Sandy Norris has created a collection of local park signage to assist in discussion at a Park Services meeting with possible recommendation to bring before the board.

Park Operations: Trustee DeLuca updated there was a large oak tree down near the Gas Cut needing removal; The Oviatt House roof has been tarped with the exception of one corner due to a large hornet nest which was awaiting removal; Kirby Gutter quote pending; DeLuca was meeting with an engineer to get an opinion on the Oviatt home from an engineering standpoint; Awaiting contact with the OOE to go over the proposed project list and possible timelines; Norris awaiting another slate roofing quote to add to quote comparisons; Norris getting quotes on possible trailers, to replace stolen vehicle. Purchase will be made upon learning amount and receipt of insurance check. Trustee Norris also shared the volunteers had a good weekend prior to the meeting working to remove a fallen tree from the Cobblestone Bridge from last November and to repair damage to the side railings with repurposed materials gathered at the property.

Trustee Becker advised the Interfaith Coalition is meeting on the July 18 and he has offered to be available to talk with the group to consider other possible projects within the park. Slifcak reiterated we need to follow the master plan to avoid a patchwork quilt of ideas but emphasized we have a strong interest to work together with the group and the community.

Treasurer Report: None**Special Orders:** None**Unfinished Business**

Trustee Smith gave an explanation of the BW Use Agreement and Briefing Memo (attached) as an annual and renewable Use Agreement. There would be no fees but the college would be responsible for utilities.

Trustee Becker advised the board he has a verbal agreement from BW they would pick up the cost of the occupancy permit which was still under review for classification. Trustee Fleming shared concern of letting anyone use the building without a rental fee. Smith explained the state Coach House is in it is not a rentable facility. The building is also on Clean Ohio land which does not allow it to directly produce revenue for the Park ..

Trustee Smith read the proposed: (attached)

RESOLUTION 19-2017 AUTHORIZING THE RICHFIELD JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A USE AGREEMENT WITH BALDWIN WALLACE UNIVERSITY.

Norris motion to adopt the aforementioned resolution, second by Slifcak

Discussion: Motion to postpone reading until July 24 meeting. Moved by Fleming, no second,

Motion failed

Roll call vote taken: Smith, Norris, Slifcak, Becker - yes Fleming - no DeLuca - abstain

Resolution Passed

Motion made to approve joining ANCA-Association of Nature Center Administrators at annual fee of \$130.00.

Made by Slicak, Second by Norris

Discussion: DeLuca confirmed \$130.00 is an annual fee. Norris reiterated the membership of OPRA-Ohio Parks Recreation Association focuses more on recreation centers and municipal parks with recreation fields. Fleming shared possible grant information for park operation from a source he has met at OPRA conference.

Vote taken by voice: Smith, Norris, Slifcak, DeLuca, Becker - Aye Fleming-Nay

Motion Passed

Motion to send one delegate to the annual ANCA conference.

Made by Slifcak, Second by Norris

Roll Call Vote: Smith- No Norris, Slifcak, Fleming - Yes DeLuca - No Becker- Yes

Motion Passed

Motion to join the Richfield Chamber of Commerce for \$200.00 per year.

Made by Norris second by Smith

Discussion: None

Vote taken by word Aye: Unanimous - Aye

Motion Passed

Motion by Norris to move into Executive Session to consider the compensation of a public employee per ORC 121.22(g)

Made by Norris, second by Smith

Discussion: None

Vote by the word Aye: Unanimous-Aye

Motion Passed

Motion to go out of order.

Made by DeLuca, second Norris

Discussion: None

Vote by the word Aye: Unanimous- Aye

Motion Passed

Comments and questions:

Corey Ringle advised Jim Gremba dropped off camera quotes. Pat Healey inquired the difference between branding and a theme. Ms. Healy also inquired for clarification on buildings in the BW agreement. Healey asked DeLuca if Cleveland Metro Parks are a member of ANCA and about FoCH signage and the process of approval.

Executive session 7:48pm

Motion to reconvene meeting.

Moved by Norris, second by Smith

Motion Passed

Motion to convert Jim Hardy an employee to an Individual Contractor from \$47.00 per hour to \$53.00 per hour.

Made by Norris, second by Smith

Discussion: Fleming asked at what cost and adding it should be included in the motion. Smith explained the difference in Independent contract rates and employee compensation. Norris it explained in the long run the change would save the RJRD money.

Roll Call Vote Taken: Unanimous - Yes

Motion Passed

Questions/Comments

Mayor Beshara asked about donation amount received as a result of the Richfield Chamber of Commerce luncheon referenced in earlier discussion. Becker replied it was a donation in the form of a security camera now used at the park entrance. Beshara also inquired for details onto the trailer theft.

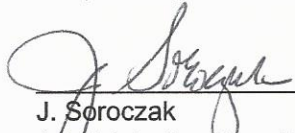
Motion to adjourn by DeLuca, second by Norris

All in favor by vote of Aye - Unanimous - Yes


Meeting Adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectively Submitted by:

Accepted:


J. Soroczak
Administrative Coordinator

Date: 8-4-17


B. Becker,
Chairmen

Date: 8-4-17

***Abbreviations:**

BTA - Buckeye Trail Association

BW - Baldwin Wallace

CVCC - Cuyahoga Valley Career Center

CVNP - Cuyahoga Valley National Park

EDG - Environmental Design Group

MOU - Memorandum of Understanding

OOE - Ohio Operating Engineers

OHC - Ohio Horseman's Council

RFQ - Request for Qualification

WWTP - Wastewater Treatment Plant

ANCA - Assoc. of Nature

Center Administrators