



**Richfield Joint Recreation District**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 30, 2014**  
*(Meeting Held at the Richfield Village Town Hall, Mayor's Conference Room)*

**Call to Order:**

The Special Meeting was Called to Order at 7:30 p.m. and Roll Call was taken by Secretary Mrs. Bluso Rogers.

**In Attendance:**

Ms. Kelly Clark  
Mr. Bob Lucas  
Mr. Ralph Mc Nerney  
Mr. Pat Norris  
Mr. Floyd Ostrowski  
Ms. Donna Skoda  
Mr. Bill Taylor

**Also in attendance:**

Mr. William Hanna, Board Legal Counsel  
  
Mr. Mike Lyons, Village Councilperson  
Mr. Roger Swan, Village Councilperson  
Ms. Corey Ringle, Friends of Crowell-Hilaka and Working Group Member  
Mrs. Debbie Bluso Rogers, Administrative Assistant  
Mr. Kendrick Chittock, Western Reserve Land Conservancy

**Business:**

**1. Legal and Legislative:**

The Board reviewed and discussed Resolutions #5 through #8-2014. Mr. Hanna stated that a super majority was required to pass resolution #5 and only a simple majority was required for Resolutions #6-8.

**MOTION** made by Ms. Clark and seconded by Mr. McNerney **to remove from the agenda Resolution #6-2014** Resolution Determining To Proceed with Submitting the Question of the Issuance of Recreational Facilities Improvement Bonds, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$5,680,000, to the Electors of the District Pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Ms. Skoda **to remove from the agenda Resolution #8-2014** A Resolution Determining To Proceed with Submitting the Question of the Issuance of Recreational Facilities Improvement Bonds, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$8,520,000, to the Electors of the District Pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. McNerney to adopt Resolution Number 5-2014 A Resolution Submitting to the Electors of the District the Question of an Additional 0.50-Mill Tax Levy for the Purpose of Parks and Recreational Purposes, Including Acquiring, Maintaining and Operating Recreational Facilities and Community Centers, Pursuant to Sections 755.18, 5705.19(H) and 5705.198 of the Revised Code.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

**MOTION** made by Ms. Clark and seconded by Mr. McNerney to adopt Resolution Number 7-2014 A Resolution Determining To Proceed with Submitting the Question of the Issuance of Recreational Facilities Improvement Bonds, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$7,100,000, to the Electors of the District Pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

## **2. Committee Reports:**

### **a. Communication Committee, Chairperson, Ms. Clark**

Ms. Clark stated the committee is meeting on Thursday, August 1, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Town Hall, Caucus Room. Beginning work has begun on branding issues and the Facebook page registered 52 likes and half of those likes were new people.

### **b. Volunteer Resources Committee, Chairperson, Ms. Skoda**

Ms. Skoda stated that a meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at the Historical Society at 7:00 p.m. at 3907 Broadview Road. Ms. Skoda stated that the committee will develop a strategy that utilize the volunteers and volunteer groups (FOCH) to support the activities of the District and the other committees.

### **c. Facilities & Programming Committee, Chairperson Mr. Lucas**

Mr. Lucas stated that at their first meeting the committee developed a mission and purpose statement to ensure that enough information would be provided to the Communications Committee for optimum effectiveness. Ms. Clark stated that the demands of her committee would prohibit her serving on the committee and Mr. Taylor will replace her. Mr. Lucas stated that the Board members be cognizant of the Township's Zoning Regulations and will ensure that the link to the regulations occurs.

### **d. Finance & Budget Committee, Chairperson Mr. Norris**

Mr. Norris stated that a meeting will be scheduled with Ms. Sandy Turk, Village Finance Director upon her return from vacation.

## **3. New Business:**

- a. Community Day activities will be coordinated through the Communications Committee and will meet on August 4, 2014 with the campaign strategists to understand the Boards roles. To support the Board's goal and mission, they discussed branding and messaging.
- b. R Strategy Group announced that they will seek to form a Campaign Committee, which will need a Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. The Campaign Committee is separate and distinct from the District or Board, and legal requirements such as finance filing deadlines before and after the election are the same as for anyone that runs for office. The District/Board is able to provide information to the community, but is prohibited from campaigning for the levy or bond issue.

## **4. Action Items & Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- a. Mr. Lucas will continue to identify representatives from other parks to present master plans to the Board.

**5. Executive Session Added to the Agenda**

The public was excused and also in attendance at the Executive Session: Mr. Bill Hanna, Mr. Kendrick Chittock, Mrs. Debbie Bluso Rogers, Mr. Mike Lyons and Mayor Bobbie Beshara.

**MOTION** made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Clark to go into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss and consider the purchase of property per the Open Meetings Act permitted exemptions and ORC 121.22(g).

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

**MOTION** made by Mr. McNerney and seconded by Mr. Norris to go out of Executive Session at 8:48 p.m.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

**MOTION** made by Mr. McNerney and seconded by Ms. Clark to adjourn at 8:49 p.m.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY: Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Lucas (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), Ms. Skoda (Yea) and Mr. Taylor (Yea)**

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Richfield Joint Recreation District,  
Chairperson

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Richfield Joint Recreation District,  
Secretary