

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9, 2015

*(Meeting Held at the Village of Richfield Town Hall,
Village Council Chambers)*

Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. by the Chairperson Mr. Floyd Ostrowski followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken by Administrative Assistant Mrs. Bluso Rogers. Immediately following roll call, the newest members of the board were welcomed and introduced: Mr. Rich Fleming for a three-year term which replaces the expired one-year term and Mr. Bob Becker who will complete the vacated term of Mr. Lucas.

In Attendance:

Mr. Bob Becker *(Not Present)*
Ms. Kelly Clark
Mr. Rich Fleming
Mr. Ralph McNerney
Mr. Pat Norris
Mr. Floyd Ostrowski
Mr. Bill Taylor

Mr. William Hanna, Board Legal Counsel *(Not Present)*

Mayor Bobbie Beshara
Mr. Mike Lyons, Village Councilperson
Mr. Roger Swan, Village Councilperson

Mr. Joe Leslie, Western Reserve Land Conservancy *(Not Present)*
Mr. Kendrick Chittock, Western Reserve Land Conservancy

Mrs. Debbie Bluso Rogers, Administrative Assistant

Others in Attendance:

Corey Ringle, FOCH
Molly Eastwood, OHC
Cynthia McWilliams, OHC

Sandy Apidone, Harter Road
Lynn Richardson, FOCH
Roy Moore, 3437 Prestwyck Lane
Lucia Hanigosky, FOCH
Jeff Campbell, FOCH
Greg Schrank
Becky Sheryak, OHC
Karen Beres
Sherry Eucker, OHC
Resuss Griffiths, OHC
Theresa Kovak
Michelle Crew
Anita Balogh

Business:

1. Approval of Minutes:

Monday, January 26, 2015 Regular Meeting

Dispensing with the formal reading of the minutes, the following action was taken.

MOTION made by Mr. McNerney and seconded by Mr. Fleming to approve the January 26, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes as corrected: *"Kiwanis is considering having the pancake breakfast at the Crowell-Hilaka property."*

DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Mr. Becker (Not Present) Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Fleming (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), and Mr. Taylor (Yea)

2. Committee Reports:

a. Communications Committee, Chairperson Ms. Clark

There was not meeting due to a lack of quorum. Reminder that the Board will have a special meeting work session on Monday, February 16, 2015 beginning promptly at 3:30 p.m. to work on strategies and 2015 goals. This work session will conclude and 6:00 p.m. and recess for a half hour to resume with a work session with the Village Parks and Recreation Board.

b. Volunteer Resources Committee, Chairperson, (Vacant)

There is no chairperson due to expiration of term for Ms. Skoda and there was no report.

c. Facilities and Programming Committee, Chairperson, (Vacant)

There is no chairperson due to the resignation of Mr. Lucas mid-term. There is no report.

- Property Acquisition Sub Committee, Chairperson (Vacant), Members Mr. Pat Norris and Mr. Mike Lyons.
No report.

- Clean Ohio Grant Sub Committee, Chairperson, (Vacant)

Mr. Chittock reported that there were five applicants and RJRD was in the middle and were three points out from receiving funding. There were two issues that decreased the number of scoring points: urgency and connectivity. Mayor Bobbie Beshara along with WRLC will be present at the appeal process.

d. Finance & Budget Committee, Chairperson Mr. Norris

Mr. Norris is pursuing work on the insurance but the insurance carrier needs to get on the property. WRLC will work with Mr. Norris on the matter. An invoice was received from legal counsel which reflected the time for the PSA work.

MOTION made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the Walter & Haverfield invoice for payment in the amount of \$3,388.37

DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Mr. Becker (Not Present) Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Fleming (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), and Mr. Taylor (Yea)

3. Unfinished Business:

a. Memorial Day “Soft” Grand Opening of the Property

There are a number of issues challenging the Memorial Day “Soft” opening. Communications, Volunteers and FOCH are working on the matter.

b. Bylaws

Notification regarding the modifications to the bylaws will be sent to the Township Trustees in care of the Township Administrator and to Village of Richfield Council in care of the Mayor.

4. New Business:

a. New Agenda Item

Administrative Assistant requested that “Administration” be added as a standing agenda item. This was acceptable to the Board.

b. Ohio Horseman's Council Presentation

Molly Eastwood and Becky Sheryak presented information to the Board about their council. OHC is a non-profit corporation organized in the state of Ohio to provide a vehicle for equine owners and supporters to share ideas and suggestions for all horse related issues, through education, organized trail rides and other social and service functions. Resources are provide by OHC to promote the building and maintenance of bridle trails throughout the state of Ohio and provide financial resources and volunteer services to fellow organizations that support equine related activities. Their website is: www.ohiohorsemancouncil.com.

OHC requested a partnership with RJRD to establish and maintain a relationship for the building and maintenance of bridle trails within Crowell-Hilaka and to assist with financial resources and volunteer services to support the equestrian interpretative center and related activities and/or programs. OHC stated that Richfield was founded on an agricultural basis and supports the equine community. OHC stated that if permitted to assess the property, OHC would apply for grants for RJRD. In exchange for their support was to change the name of the Summer Barn to the "Equestrian Interpretative Center." The Board did not take any formal action on the matter.

5. Comments from the Floor

- a. The Chair recognized Ms. Corey Ringle. Ms. Ringle stated that there is a FOCH meeting every month at 7:00 p.m. and urged the Board Members to become a regular attendee.

6. Action Items & Agenda Items for Next Meeting, February 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

- a. Executive Session will remain on agenda.
- b. No other action items or agenda items were stated outside the regular standing committee reports.
- c. Follow-up discussion with Legal Counsel to determine a fixed date for his attendance at meetings.

7. Executive Session:

To discuss personnel issues; i.e. to consider the appointment, employment and compensation of a public employee per ORC 121.22(g).

The Chair stated that there would be no action taken after the Executive Session.

MOTION made by Mr. McNerney and seconded by Mr. Taylor to go into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m.

DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Mr. Becker (Not Present) Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Fleming (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), and Mr. Taylor (Yea)

Also in attendance in the Executive Session: Mr. Mike Lyons and Mayor Bobbie Beshara.

MOTION made by Ms. Clark and seconded by Mr. McNerney to go out of Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

DISCUSSION: NONE

MOTION PASSED: Mr. Becker (Not Present) Ms. Clark (Yea), Mr. Fleming (Yea), Mr. McNerney (Yea), Mr. Norris (Yea), Mr. Ostrowski (Yea), and Mr. Taylor (Yea)

MOTION made by Ms. Clark and seconded by Mr. McNerney to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

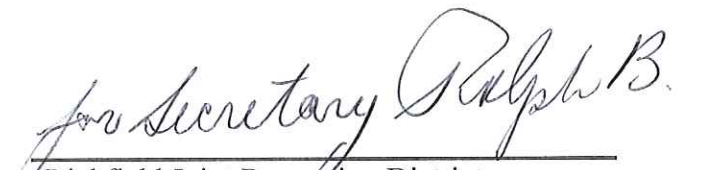
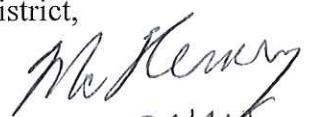
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Respectfully submitted,



Debbie Bluso Rogers, Administrative Assistant to RJRD Board


Richfield Joint Recreation District,
Chairperson
Richfield Joint Recreation District,
Secretary

VICE CHAIR