

**MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSION**

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

8:00 a.m. Work Session

9 a.m. Meeting at the Cabin

Virtual Zoom Meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6170195469>

Present: Mr. Doug Haines, Dr. Robert Malarkey, Scott Myers, and Kevin Swanson, by Zoom : Mrs. Elizabeth Gutmann, Chris Thompson, Dale Gade, Amanda Smith, Janeen Selanders (taking minutes), and Cinda Hanbuch-Pinkerton.

MINUTES - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 15, 2020 board meeting and January 8, 2021 special meeting, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion unanimously carried.

BILLS AND RECEIPTS – Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve the bills and receipts as presented, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion unanimously carried.

GIFTS AND DONATIONS – Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve the donations, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **RESOLUTION 1394-21** – Organization of The Miami County Park District Board of Park Commissioners. Doug Haines - President, Dr. Malarkey - Vice President, Elizabeth Gutmann – Member At Large - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve resolution 1394-21, seconded by Dr. Malarkey, motion carried unanimously.
- B. **RESOLUTION 1396-21** – Approval of transfers for the period of 12/8/20 – 1/15/21 - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve resolution 1396-21, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously.
- C. **RESOLUTION 1397-21** – Authorization to apply for, and accept, a \$25,000 donation from the Niels and Ruth Lundgard Foundation to support the implementation of the Miami County Park District SCIENCE ALIVE program - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve resolution 1397-21, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously.
- D. **RESOLUTION 1398-21** – Authorization to enter into an agreement with Sustainable Streams LLC to complete a conceptual design of a hydraulic connection between the Great Miami River and the off-channel wetland project on the Duke Park Extension property - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve resolution 1398-21, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously.
- E. **RESOLUTION 1399-21** – Authorization to purchase one (1) new Exmark 60" X Series mower with tractus wheels, trash container and jack mount kit, and to trade in (1) Exmark mower LZX749AKC606, at a final cost not to exceed \$10,194.00 – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve resolution 1399-21, seconded by Dr. Malarkey, motion carried unanimously.
- F. **RESOLUTION 1400-21** – Authorization to purchase one (1) new Kubota RTV1100 Utility Vehicle with front work lights, turn signal kit, strobe light, rear screen, salt spreader and 6' poly blade at a final cost not to exceed \$24,100.00 - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve resolution 1400-21, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously.
- G. **RESOLUTION 1401-21** – Authorization to purchase one (1) new John Deere M15 Flex Wing Rotary Mower at a final cost not to exceed \$18,217.50 - Dr. Malarkey made a motion to approve resolution 1401-21, seconded

by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously.

- H. **RESOLUTION 1402-21** – Authorization to purchase one (1) new John Deere 520M Loader at a final cost not to exceed \$7,609.39 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve resolution 1402-21, seconded by Dr. Malarkey, motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Foundation** – Scott enclosed the balances for both funds in the board packets.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. Staff Reports

- a. **Deputy Director** – Kevin has a committee meeting scheduled concerning the new facility at Lost Creek and the site logistics. Select staff members will also be meeting about the new facility, the impacts and the future needs.
- b. **Operations** – Dale said the staff has been doing lots of clean up around Lost Creek’s west side. New Flicker and owl boxes have installed at various parks with more planned.
- c. **Marketing** – Amanda said she is meeting with T-Mobile Friday about sponsorships. She said to Nancy Bowman is doing an article concerning the Duke Extension project. It should be in Thursday’s Dayton Daily News.
- d. **Education** – Cinda said the staff is continuing to work on virtual learning. Currently there is 166 students with kits, 137 Nature Live! Participants. Staff is working on “Spring Experiences” in place of the Hug the Earth Festival. They are also planning the teacher workshops funded with grant from the Lundgard Foundation. The Banana Slug String Band will be participating in a portion of the teacher workshops through Zoom.
- e. **Executive Director** – Scott pointed out that visitation increased 11% in 2020 even with Charleston Falls being closed for six weeks. He said we will likely see a decrease in ODOT road funds in the next round. Scott wanted the board to be aware of some legislation in northern Ohio concerning eminent domain. He said OPRA is working on a Federal project to help other parks in utilizing the Cares Act. and said Miami County is fortunate to have support in obtaining these funds.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Property and Personnel – no executive session.

Dr. Malarkey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Gutmann, motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

J. Scott Myers

R. Douglas Haines