

**MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, November 14, 2023
Cabin at Lost Creek Reserve
8 a.m. Work Session - 9 a.m. Meeting**

Present: Dr. Robert Malarkey, Elizabeth Gutmann, Jay Meyer, Scott Myers, Kevin Swanson, Dale Gade, Amanda Smith, Cinda Hanbuch-Pinkerton and Chris Thompson.

MINUTES – Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 26, 2023 board meeting seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

BILLS AND RECEIPTS – Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to approve the bills and receipts as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

GIFTS AND DONATIONS – Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to approve the gifts and donations as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. RESOLUTION 1579-23 – Transfers 9/20/23 through 11/5/23 - Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1579-23, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- B. RESOLUTION 1580-23 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Flora Construction to increase the width of the new storage building at Lost Creek Reserve by 8' at a final cost not to exceed \$11,396.00 - Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1580-23, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Foundation – The foundation board held its first in-person public meeting on November 6.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Staff Reports
 - a. Deputy Director – Kevin attended a meeting at Wannemacher Reserve with Trevor Diegel and Haley Demmitt. It was a final walk through for earth movement. The only concern is that it still looks like a construction site. The next phase is planting grasses/plants. There is a 10-year period where EPA requires invasive species control. Kevin informed them Trevor needs to be involved so the park district is aware of what is happening.

Kevin will be giving a presentation for the Miami Valley Age-Friendly Network, created by MVRPC.

- b. Operations – Dale showed photos of some of the latest projects.

The Flock and body cams have been beneficial in a few instances recently.

- c. Marketing – The John A. Wannemacher Nature Reserve project updates are documented on the park's website now.

Holiday Lights at Lost Creek Reserve advertising will begin next week.

- d. Environmental Education – Cinda shared a video about the Habitat Hero-Hug the Pollinators program that was developed using a grant from 2017.

- e. Executive – Scott said the next few meetings will be in Heritage Hall.

Elizabeth Gutmann made a motion to enter executive session at 9:58 a.m., seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Property & Personnel

There was no action taken during executive session.

Jay Meyer moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Elizabeth Gutmann, motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

J. Scott Myers

Dr. Robert Malarkey