

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

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

Lost Creek Reserve Cabin

9 a.m. Meeting

Present: Dr. Robert Malarkey, Jay Meyer, Elizabeth Gutmann, Scott Myers, Cinda Hanbuch-Pinkerton, Dan Weaver, Amanda Smith, Chris Thompson and Janeen Selanders.

MINUTES – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the minutes from January 13, 2026, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

BILLS AND RECEIPTS - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the bills and receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

DONATIONS - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to accept the donations and volunteer hours as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. RESOLUTION 1685-26 – Approval of transfers 1/22/2026 through 2/13/2026 Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1685-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- B. RESOLUTION 1686-26 – Authorization to purchase a 2026 Ford Maverick XL All Wheel Drive pick-up truck from Dave Knapp Ford at a final total cost not to exceed \$30,500 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1686-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- C. RESOLUTION 1687-26 – Authorization to purchase a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 pick-up truck from Chevrolet of Troy, and to trade in (3) GMC Sierra pick-up trucks, for a final total cost not to exceed \$30,208 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1687-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- D. RESOLUTION 1688-26 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Wagner Paving to repair/resurface an approximately 2,730' section of the Great Miami Recreational Trail at a final cost not to exceed \$53,312 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1688-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- E. RESOLUTION 1689-26 - Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Wagner Paving to repair/resurface the circle drive and parking lot at Maple Ridge Reserve at a final cost not to exceed \$14,734 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1689-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- F. RESOLUTION 1690-26 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Wagner Paving to install a new parking lot at Stillwater Prairie Reserve at a final cost not to exceed \$23,212 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1690-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- G. RESOLUTION 1691-26 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Miami Ag Drainage to install drainage tile around the cabin area at Lost

Creek Reserve at a final cost not to exceed \$15,889.62 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1691-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

- H. RESOLUTION 1692-26 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to dispose of, and remove from the park district inventory, machinery, equipment and other inventoried items - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1692-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- G. RESOLUTION 1693-26 – Authorization by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Miami County Park District to officially name the suspension bridge across the Stillwater River connecting Stillwater Prairie Reserve and Maple Ridge Reserve the “Dale Gade Jr. Suspension Bridge” - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1693-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- H. RESOLUTION 1694-26 – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Barga Heating, A/C and Refrigeration, Inc. to install a Trane 89X1 80,000 btu single stage gas furnace and a Trane 5 ton 13 Seer GWP central air unit in the administrative office at Lost Creek Reserve at a final cost not to exceed \$14,550 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion approve Resolution 1694-26 as presented, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Foundation – Amanda confirmed there are now six board members: Dave Allison, Francis Harris, Andrew Wannemacher, Kim Meier, Jim Ranft and Kate Lins.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Staff Reports
 - a. Operations – Dan passed around photos of recent projects. Trevor will be attending a deer management workshop in April. Dexter will be attending bike patrol training in spring. The law enforcement annual report will soon be posted on the website.
 - b. Marketing – Amanda said we were approached by the Troy Historical Society about a book being written about the Knoop family by a gentleman in Pennsylvania. Dexter met with the author and allowed him to tour the Knoop cemetery. Dexter’s photo will be in the book.
 - c. Environmental Education – The staff is currently working on increasing the teen and tween age group participation through Outdoor Adventure Club (OAC). She shared a message a staff member received highlighting the positive impact the Hug the Earth program has on children, including that one student majored in natural resources and is completing her senior MBA project on the program. It’s a powerful reminder that the work we’re doing is truly making a difference in young lives.
 - d. Executive – Scott said the next meeting is March 31. He also said the dinner with the Banana Slug String Band is April 21, probably at the Caroline.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Property & Personnel - There was no executive session. Elizabeth Gutmann motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned 9:58 a.m.