

MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Lost Creek Reserve Cabin
9 a.m. Meeting Minutes

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

MINUTES – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the minutes from May 27, 2025, 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 1652-25** – Approval of additional appropriation request - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1652-25, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- B. **RESOLUTION 1653-25** – Approval of the 2026 Tax Budget - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1653-25, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.
- C. **RESOLUTION 1654-25** – Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Panther Creek Carpentry to remodel and repair the cabin at Lost Creek Reserve at a final cost not to exceed \$40,000.00 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1654-25, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Foundation – The Miami County Parks Forever board will meet on Thursday and will review the list of potential board members and will soon present a proposal to them for why they should join the board. There will now be a total of ten members including the current three members.

OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Staff Reports
 - a. Deputy Director – Kevin was absent. Scott said the ODOT project was misquoted, and the project will now be an additional \$20,000. ODOT had an error on the numbers. This is the first time we've had any complications with these projects.

- b. Operations – Dale distributed photos of current and completed projects and talked a bit about the law enforcement activities.
- c. Marketing – Amanda joined the steering committee for the Miami Valley Regional Active Transportation Plan in Piqua. They did a walking tour, and she said Piqua has some great things planned.
- d. Environmental Education – Cinda said the park has hired several staff members to help with Eco-Camps and we should be able to accommodate all camp requests.

Mandy has been working on the grant process and making sure the grants are complete and correct when submitted.

Cinda would like to increase the number of trained staff and/or volunteers so we can increase the number of participants that can go through the tower adventures.

- e. Executive – Scott said the Spring Creek Confluence is being recognized and toured through various programs including Pheasants Forever. The most recent fish study verified they had 38 species of fish in just the wetland channel.

The next meeting will be July 22.

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 9:37 a.m.

J. Scott Myers

Dr. Robert Malarkey