

**ASHTABULA COUNTY METROPARKS**  
25 West Jefferson Street, Jefferson, OH 44047

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, August 8th, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Ashtabula County Metroparks Board of Commissioners was held at the Board Office meeting room at 91 N. Chestnut Street in Jefferson, Ohio and called to order at 6:35 pm by Paul Carpenter; President. Board Members attending and completing a quorum were: Paul Carpenter, President; Terry Berkey and Charlie Kohli; Members. Larry Frimerman, Director and Pam Blough, Board Clerk were also in attendance. Marie Lane, Board Vice President; and Bob Best, Member were on excused absence. Guest: Gary Hines, People for Parks. Holly Mayernick. Donna Thomas.

**Business at Hand:**

1. Agenda was reviewed; moved to approve by Berkey, second by Kohli. All in favor.
2. The July 11 minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes by Berkey second by Kohli. All in favor, motion passed.
3. Expense worksheet for August reviewed. Motion to accept by Berkey, Second by Kohli. All in favor. So passed.
4. The July Financials were reviewed. Motion by Berkey to approve. Second by Kohli. All approved.

**Audience Participation** is limited to three minutes each and the Board thanks them for their input:

Gary Hines, President of People for Parks: Progress update given to the Board on preparation for the upcoming Megabucks in the Park event to be held at Harpersfield Metropark on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets still available. Next PFP meeting: August 16<sup>th</sup> 7pm at Harpersfield Metropark.

**Director's Report:**

- Board reviewed the Director's report.
- Director went over highlights of his report: Mulched trail at Hatches Corners has been completed. Just need to move the remaining mulch to the Upper Grand Metropark and clean up the parking area.
- Trail Conference is scheduled from 8am to noon on September 21<sup>st</sup>, at the County Commissioner's Office. Andrea Irland for the National Park Service will lead the meeting.
- Katherine Riedel LPA is working on a draft agreement to complete the purchase of the Mill Road property from the County Port Authority.
- Our Park Master planning with EDG has been initiated.

**Old Business:**

1. Revised contract for EDG/North Shore Trail was reviewed. Motion made by Mr. Berkey to approve amendments to the contract and to sign the document; second by Kohli. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Mr. Frimerman is negotiating the deep well rights at the Kaval property. He has ordered an oil and gas search for the well and right of way. We will also need to hire an oil and gas attorney to assist in the negotiations, which is beyond Ms. Riedel's area of expertise.

**New Business:**

1. Motion to approve sending a letter to Conneaut Port Authority showing support for their Boating Infrastructure Grant application. So moved by Kohli, second by Berkey. Call of the roll, all in favor.
2. Motion made by Mr. Berkey to accept the design plan from GGJ for the engineering of the Roaming Shores parking lot. Second by Kohli. All in favor, motion passed.
3. Mr. Carpenter noted there is a need for additional signage at Lampson Reservoir Metropark to warn and keep ATV's and other motorized vehicles out of the park. A trail camera has been posted as well as using Ranger Fortune's surveillance.

Adjourn: There being no further business; Mr. Berkey moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:25pm. Mr. Kohli seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting Adjourned.

**Next Board Meetings:** September 12, 2018 6:30pm @ 91 N Chestnut St Jefferson  
October 10, 2018 6:30pm

Minutes to be approved: September 2018

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Paul Carpenter, President (or representative)

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Pam Blough, Clerk