

SOUTHERN LAKES REGIONAL METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
**Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**  
**Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**5:00pm**  
**150 S. Leroy St.**  
**Fenton, MI 48430**

**Call to Order**

Chairperson, Ray Culbert called the meeting to order at 5:00pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Attendance**

Present: Ray Culbert, Shaun Shumaker, Patricia Lockwood, Robert Krug, David McDermott, Brad Dick  
Roll Call: Mr. Culbert declared there was a quorum with Six board members.  
Staff Present: Vince Paris, Shirley Ciofu, Nancy Muffley  
Public Present: Gerianne Mulanix, Kim Lindsay

**Call to Audience**

Gerianne Mulanix was present to express both support and concern over the Rolston Road launch project. She stated she's happy about it and wanted the Board to be mindful of the residents and keep them in the loop. Both Mr. Culbert and Mr. Paris noted that the plan is still in the conceptual stage and there will be a public hearing once the plan is ready to present.

A discussion followed regarding an article that appeared in the Tri County Times about the Rolston Road launch project. Mr. Paris stated he had contacted the TCT to inform them that many of their facts in the story were false. He said he also asked that in the future, the reporter contact either himself or Mr. Culbert as they are the SLPR representatives with the authority to speak on behalf of the organization.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

- Approval of April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Regular Board meeting minutes
- Approval of Treasurer's Report:
  - Bills paid prior to the May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting \$48,732.65

Moved by: Mr. Shumaker; seconded by Mr. McDermott to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Action Item: Presentation of the 2015 Audit**

Kim Lindsay of Lewis/Knopf was in attendance to present the audit. He stated that once again SLPR received a 'clean' audit which is the highest rating he could give. Mr. Lindsay noted there were no amendments to the budget and he made no recommendations stating everything was in good order and the books are well organized. He stated fund equity was about 18% and he suggested creating a future plan for capital assets if SLPR were to consider buying land or a facility. Mr. Lindsay gave a favorable opinion on SLPR expanding its footprint into surrounding communities.

Moved by: Mr. McDermott; seconded by Mr. Shumaker to receive the audit as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Programmers Report:** Ms. Muffley announced the summer brochure was out to the public and much of the registration is coming in on line. She also distributed the summer concert schedule. Ms. Muffley highlighted the plan for Back to the Bricks, Touch-a-Truck, and Tour Du Lac. She also announced that one of SLPR's AAU volleyball teams made it to the Junior Nationals and would be traveling to Florida to compete. The trip would be paid for through fundraising efforts.

**Director Report:** Mr. Paris noted there hasn't been any further discussions with the LAFF Trailways folks stating the next step is Mr. Lukasavitz organizing a multi area community meeting to discuss 'ownership' of the proposed trailways. Mr. Paris also noted this is the 15<sup>th</sup> year of 'clean' audits and the audit would be sent by Lewis/Knopf to the State of Michigan by the June deadline.

**Accounting Report:** Ms. Ciofu discussed the facility use by SLPR for the first quarter noting \$7,964.16 was paid to Fenton Schools, and \$3,267.50 was paid to Lake Fenton Schools. She also noted Linden Schools are paid bi annually.

**Committee Reports:**

**Tech:** Mr. McDermott said the committee will meet again in July to discuss the potential change in an on-line registration program.

**Personnel:** Nothing to report

**Operations:** Ms. Lockwood stated the committee met to discuss potential options for generating revenue by expanding the SLPR footprint and other possibilities. Mr. Krug discussed how the Township is made aware of available property.

**Commissioners Comments:**

Ms. Lockwood discussed the LAFF initiative noting if that organization is without liability insurance, SLPR has been advised not to sign on their behalf. She also noted it was the committee's consensus that the County should be approached to take the lead on the project.

Mr. Shumaker stated he was happy with the brochure and asked that a map of the Tour Du Lac event be made available.

**Next Meeting;**

Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Fenton Community Center

Ms. Lockwood noted she will not be in attendance.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 6:08 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary, Shirley Ciofu