

SOUTHERN LAKES REGIONAL METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Thursday, June 22nd, 2017

6:00pm

150 S. Leroy St.

Fenton, MI 48430

Call to Order

Chairperson, Ray Culbert called the Meeting to order at 6:04pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Present: Ray Culbert, Shaun Shumaker, David McDermott, Brad Dick

Absent/Call In: Rob Kesler, Patricia Lockwood

Roll Call: Mr. Culbert declared there was a quorum with Four board members.

Staff Present: Vince Paris, Shirley Ciofu

Public Present: None

Approval of Consent Agenda

- Approval of May 25th, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes
- Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - Bills paid prior to June 22nd, 2017 in the amount of \$38,376.60 as presented

Motion by Mr. Shumaker, seconded by Mr. McDermott to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

Call to the Audience: None

Action Item: Approval of the Policy on Reserve Funds.

Ms. Ciofu stated the purpose of the policy was to describe conditions under which SLPR may act as fiduciary agent for funds raised by others for its individual programs. She noted the process and the definition are outlined in the policy and stated if the program ever ceased to exist, any remaining funds would be transferred to the general fund.

Motion by Mr. Dick, seconded by Mr. McDermott to approve the Program Reserve Fund Policy as presented.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

Action Item: Approval of the Letter of Understanding with the Fenton Schools

Mr. Paris stated he negotiated a two year agreement with no financial changes that would commence July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. A discussion followed re: SLPR's first right of refusal as it relates to the Flint Falcons absorbing SLPR's FAST Swim Team program. There were objections re: why the Fenton Schools permitted the takeover. It was noted that there is no change to custodial costs as they will remain a fee which is based on necessity.

Motion by Mr. McDermott, seconded by Mr. Dick to approve the Letter of Understanding with Fenton Schools with the term commencing July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019 as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 1 Nays

Action Item: Approval of the new Loose Senior Center Agreement

Mr. Paris stated he and Ms. Lockwood met with attorneys to amend the agreement so that it would address board concerns. The draft is presented with those changes. Mr. Paris stated this is a financial agreement to provide funding for programming that would commence once the notice to 'opt out' of the current Interlocal Agreement was given in a separate document. Ms. Lockwood thanked Mr. Paris for all his work on preparing the agreement stating it is a work in progress to be presented to the Loose board once approved by this board. A discussion followed re: continuing the 19% appropriations for a year once the 'opt out' notice was presented and how it will affect the annual amount stated in the new agreement. It was noted, per discussion with the attorney, there could not be two agreements occurring at the same time. Mr. Paris explained SLPR would first honor the terms of the Interlocal Agreement which would give Loose one year at the current funding rate. It was the board's consensus that further language clearly defining the dissolution of the Interlocal Agreement – and its 19%; the new 3 year contract funding – and how it would evolve, was necessary. Mr. Dick stated the language regarding 'instructor pay' should be reviewed as well.

Motion by Mr. McDermott, seconded by Mr. Shumaker to table the approval of the new Loose Senior Center Agreement until the board receives additional input from legal counsel.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

Programmers Report: Mr. Paris stated a new Animation Class was added this summer and is popular with the teen age group noting that demographic is hard to reach so he is pleased with the success. Mr. Paris stated Fall programming is in the planning stages and the Farmer's Market has begun.

Accounting Report: Ms. Ciofu reported the audit has not yet been sent to the State and she has contacted Lewis/Knopf regarding the delay. She also noted the program fund balances were strong and once the FAST Swim Team program was dissolved, the estimated \$14,000 currently in that fund would be transferred into the general fund. Mr. Paris noted he'd like to recommend that money be transferred into the scholarship fund instead. Ms. Ciofu also stated that all swim team employees and participants had been notified of the program transition noting the end date of July 28th when the current program ends.

Director's Report: Mr. Paris noted his report was covered in the action items. He also mentioned the passing of local resident and civil servant, Les Bland.

Item for Discussion - LAFF: Mr. Paris noted the LAFF organization will be meeting next week. He stated this board's committee has no recommendations nor has anything official to say. It was also noted that none of the three municipalities have committed nor expressed official support of the LAFF project. A discussion followed re: SLPR's needs and the commitment of this board to focus on those needs first. Also discussed was focusing on programs SLPR does well re: core competencies. Mr. Shumaker requested youth football numbers.

Committee Reports: None

Commissioner's Comments: None

Next Meeting;

Regular Board Meeting: Thursday July 27th, 2017 at 6:00pm at the Fenton Community Center

Adjournment

Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 7:04 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary, Shirley Ciofu