

SOUTHERN LAKES REGIONAL METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Thursday, March 22nd, 2018
6:00pm
150 S. Leroy St.
Fenton, MI 48430

Call to Order

Chairperson, Ray Culbert called the Meeting to order at 6:05pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Present: Ray Culbert, Brenda Simons, Scott Grossmeyer, Rob Kesler, Patricia Lockwood

Absent: Shaun Shumaker

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

Staff Present: Vince Paris, Shirley Ciofu

Call to the Audience: None present

Approval of Consent Agenda

- Approval of February 22nd, 2018 Regular Board meeting minutes
- Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - Bills paid prior to March 22nd, 2018 in the amount of \$77,222.27

Motion by Mr. Grossmeyer, seconded by Ms. Simons to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Programmer's Report: Ms. Ciofu reported on the upcoming dance recital noting the logo for this year's event was a Michigan theme and that tshirts were available to purchase on line. She also stated the Mother/Son dance was sold out with nearly 300 participants. A discussion followed re: the popularity of this annual event. Ms. Ciofu talked about the growth in the fitness program and provided data that showed nearly a 45% increase compared to the same time last year. She noted the addition of new classes and increasing the number of sessions offered played a part. Mr. Paris noted the combination of an aggressive and continuous marketing, certified instructors, quality and focus is what made it.

Ms. Ciofu also mentioned the SLPR gymnastics Director, Nancy Holden took the LFLF gymnastics team to States where they received honors. A discussion followed re: how SLPR's program has become a great feeder program to the school team. Mr. Paris noted we will potentially see a spike in gymnastics registration due to Ms. Holden's successes at the High School level.

Mr. Paris discussed one of the goal initiatives of creating programs in the Township. He noted staff has secured the parking lot of the bowling alley on Thompson Rd. as a location for two Flea Markets this coming July and August. He also discussed the potential of using the dog park on Thompson Rd. as a cross country trail noting he has been discussing the possibility with Tom Broecker, Fenton Township Deputy Clerk.

Mr. Paris also stated he has been looking into the cost to purchase the cross country trail grooming equipment.

Ms. Lockwood requested the board consider making a donation to the dog park. A discussion followed re: SLPR's policy on donations and grants. It was the consensus to have the finance committee make a recommendation.

Director's Report: Mr. Paris presented the 2017 Annual Report via power point presentation. It was well received. The draft will go to the board for review before Mr. Paris takes it around to present to the municipalities, school districts, Loose Center and the Fenton Community Center Board. A discussion followed re: the report's statistical data that was collected via the on line survey.

Accounting Report: Ms. Ciofu stated the finance committee's recommendation to transfer some of the net income into the facility and equipment fund. She noted the journal entry to move that money will be made following board approval. She also noted that the journal entry to move the remaining balance left in the swim team fund into the scholarship fund will also be made pending approval. She stated December, January and February Balance Sheets will be affected by the action therefore all reports will be revised and shared at the next board meeting.

Action Item: Allocation of 2017 Net Income

Motion by Ms. Lockwood, seconded by Ms. Simons to approve the Finance Committee's recommendation and allocate \$20,000 to the Equipment Fund, \$40,000 to the Facility Fund, and to transfer the \$10,380.98 left in the Swim Team Fund into the Scholarship Fund.

A discussion followed re: ability to move the funds if necessary. Mr. Culbert stated a resolution would allow for the funds to shift from one fund to another.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: Mr. Kesler to schedule a meeting re: donation request.

Operations Committee: Ms. Lockwood gave an update on the LAFF trailways project stating they were going for their first matching grant and will ask that the three municipalities donate \$15,000 over three years.

Facility Committee: Mr. Culbert stated the committee has met to discuss a plan.

Commissioners Comment: Ms. Lockwood requested that SLPR consider a donation to the LAFF trailways project. Mr. Culbert asked that the finance committee discuss it first. He also stated he'd like to see a report on the LAFF's financial commitment to the project.

Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, April 26th, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Fenton Community Center.

Adjournment

Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 7:18 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Shaun Shumaker, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Shirley Ciofu