

SOUTHERN LAKES REGIONAL METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Thursday, October 25th, 2018
6:00pm
150 S. Leroy St.
Fenton, MI 48430

Call to Order

Chairperson, Ray Culbert called the Meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

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

Excused: Shaun Shumaker, Brenda Simons

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

Staff Present: Vince Paris, Shirley Ciofu, Karoline Mayville

Public Present: None

Approval of Consent Agenda

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of September 27th, 2018 Regular Board meeting minutes
- Approval of October 18th, 2018 Budget meeting minutes
- Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - Bills paid prior to October 25th, 2018 in the amount of \$43,981.24

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

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Programmer's Report: Ms. Mayville highlighted the upcoming Circus event noting it was an intergenerational event free to our seniors. The event was paid for by a CDGB grant. She also noted the upcoming Dance Fall Showcase scheduled for November 9th at the Fenton Community Center. Also mentioned was a thank you to Halo Burger for sponsoring the Flag Football jerseys this year. Ms. Mayville highlighted the Jets Basketball league stating we have both a girls and boys team in the league. Boys volleyball will start in Spring as well as AAU girls volleyball.

Call to the Audience: None present

Director's Report: Mr. Paris reported he'd met with Fenton School's superintendent Adam Hartley to discuss space for the dance program and to give him the heads up on the SLPR youth football program breaking away to go on their own. He stated Mr. Hartley suggested using the upstairs of the Ellen Street school for dance. He also stated Mr. Hartley had not heard about the youth football program. Mr. Paris will meet with the football parent board at the end of this season.

A discussion followed re: scheduling a meeting with the Operations Committee to discuss options for the dance program and to invite Dance Director, Kristen Archambeau to attend. Also discussed was scheduling a meeting with the Finance Committee to discuss allocating net income to the facility and equipment funds.

Accounting Report: Ms. Ciofu discussed the youth tackle football fund noting it is currently in the black. She stated gate fees were collected and deposited to offset the former deficit. She also stated staff is unaware of any other sponsorship dollars that may have collected by parents during this season, but thinks the parent board probably initiated a funding raising campaign behind the scenes to fund their new league. Ms. Ciofu informed the board that SLPR has on file an equipment deposit check from each family participating in the football program which is held to insure the equipment and uniforms are returned at the end of the season.

Ms. Ciofu also noted the CD investment had been reinvested into a 6 month CD which would yield a higher rate of interest. A discussion followed re: SLPR's investment policy and the restrictions on the type of investments the board can make. Ms. Lockwood suggested a meeting with the Policy Committee to discuss the policy then perhaps scheduling a meeting with a financial advisor.

Action Item: The 2019 Budget was presented for approval. Ms. Lockwood asked about staff increases to which Mr. Paris stated 3% across the board for discussion purposes would be taken to the Personnel Committee first for review.

Motion by Mr. Culbert, seconded by Ms. Lockwood to approve the 2019 budget as presented.
Motion Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Action Item: Non-motorized trails bond proposal. Mr. Paris recapped the Operations Committee meeting stating all are in favor of the 1.2 mils increase which would be added to the .4 mils that SLPR already receives. He recommended the documents presented be approved without changes. He also noted that he had personally discussed the proposal with both Shaun Shumaker and Brenda Simons who are absent from this evening's meeting, but who stated their support of the ballot proposal. A discussion followed re: the trail 'spurs' and how they could later be modified.

Motion by Ms. Lockwood, seconded by Mr. Kesler to approve the resolution proposing an amendment to the charter of SLPR for non-motorized recreational paths.
Motion Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

Further discussed was the ballot which will be registered with the County and put to vote on May 7, 2019 without fees. Also discussed was the filing with the IRS, opening of a separate bank account, setting up a Pay Pal account and creating a website. The campaign will begin in January with the Van Guard Group to be paid by the LAFF group who raised the money to fund the campaign.

It was the Board's consensus that any subsequent trailway sub-committee meetings would include a member of the SLPR board. Mr. Paris will send a letter to that effect to the Chair of the trailway committee.

Committee Reports: Marketing and Technology Committee had met to discuss updates to the website at a cost of about \$2,200. It was the committee's recommendation to move forward with the updates within the 2018 calendar year.

Commissioner's Comments: Mr. Culbert requested the municipalities appointment schedule. It was stated that Fenton Township appointees' term expired on December 31st. Mr. Kesler will take that to the Township board of trustees. Ms. Lockwood noted the upcoming road millage and Mr. Grossmeyer stated he would be absent at the November meeting.

Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, November 15th, 2018 (3rd Thursday) at 6:00pm at the

Fenton Community Center

Adjournment

Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Shaun Shumaker, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Shirley Ciofu