

PwdSouthern Lakes Regional Metropolitan Parks & Recreation District

150 S. Leroy St.

Fenton, MI 48430

Board of Commissioners Meeting- Thursday, April 28th, 2022

6:00pm

Call to Order

Chairperson Lockwood called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Attendance

Present: Patricia Lockwood, Christine Reid, Brenda Simons, Ray Culbert, Rob Kesler

Delayed: David McDermott

Roll Call: Lockwood declared there was a quorum with five board members

Staff Present: Ed Koledo, Shirley Priestap

Public Present: None

Lockwood noted open meetings required a roll call.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Attachment to the April 28, 2022 Consent Agenda

Lockwood explained that for 2022, meetings are required to occur in person, therefore the consent agendas and action items previously approved via zoom are being ratified from January to date.

Motion by Simons, seconded by Reid to approve the consent agenda and attachment as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Executive Director's Report: Koledo gave an update of the pathway grant initiatives and reported \$100,000 awarded from the Michigan Trails fund. Also reported was the writing of the Consumer Energy Grant for \$50,000 and the City of Fenton's resubmission of the Kildee earmark funding.

He stated the City of Linden Parks & Recreation committee has approved the Triangle Park plan, Brenda and Ray confirmed that the city council had approved the plan for the trailhead's smaller design and will next approve the final design, once presented.

Community interactions were noted, specifically the Michigan Works program. He explained the program would provide job candidates ages 18-24 that would not cost the organization for the first 90 days after which time they could be hired if mutually agreeable. He further stated there is an interview process prior to bringing anyone on. Koledo also noted the County planning meeting on parks re: outside athletic facility and feasibility study.

The meeting with the City of Linden DDA re: the Back to the Bricks event was noted and Koledo stated the event is a go as is the City of Fenton Back to the Bricks.

McDermott arrived.

Koledo noted Fenton Township's CDBG grant that was previously awarded for the SLPR scholarship program and was approved to be amended so funds could be used for the Senior Friday program

instead. He explained since SLPR has a scholarship fund, the grant would be better used for the senior programming, and he acknowledged the effort of Tom Broecker in completing the process with the County.

Koledo noted the SLPR five-year Masterplan and Lockwood stated approval by the Fenton City Council was held up at their last meeting because one city council member had not had enough time to read through the document and had some questions on what he had read. Koledo to contact council member.

Accounting Coordinator's Report: Priestap noted the first quarter payroll tax returns had been prepared and timely filed. She also noted the payroll prior to the meeting was higher this cycle because there were three pay periods since last meeting.

She stated the first quarter Loose appropriations in the amount of \$15,000 was ready to go upon receipt of their financial report. A discussion followed re: the agreement with Loose and their role.

Priestap noted the annual audit was conducted in person this year following the meeting with the finance committee and the auditors. The audit has been completed and will be finalized in the next couple weeks and presented to the board at the May 26th meeting once the Finance Committee reviews the draft.

Programmer's Report: A written report was submitted and Priestap highlighted the upcoming fitness workshop, Pilates for Golfers. She noted it was promoted at local golf clubs and on social media and will become an annual Spring occurrence.

Discussion Item: Easement Update

Koledo stated and the board discussed the remaining six easements needed. It was the Board's consensus to ask the Township Supervisor to attend the meetings with one of the homeowners.

Chairperson Lockwood excused herself from the meeting at 6:45pm and turned the meeting over to Vice Chair, Culbert.

Discussion Item: 2021 Annual Report

A power point presentation was made of the SLPR 2021 financial information, program highlights, and statistical data. It was the Board's consensus to take the report to the municipalities including Tyrone Township and share the information with them.

Discussion Item: Resolution of Necessity

The public forum held by Fenton Township was discussed. The Board would like the presentation pertaining to the decision to put the pathway on the south side of Silver Lake Road brought out to the township board so they can review the information.

Action Item: Approval of the SLPR 2022 Goals

Koledo presented annual board objectives and the executive director initiatives as a tie-in to the goals and objectives of the Five-Year Master Plan. It was noted that this was a good map back to the Master Plan and a way to measure progress for effectiveness. It was the board's consensus to evaluate the

progress bi-annually; once in the middle of the year and once just prior to the goal setting meeting for the following year.

Motion by McDermott, seconded by Kesler to approve the 2022 Goals as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Action Item: Charter Amendment

Koledo noted the board was presented with and discussed the language for the Charter change and the next step is to have the board approve it. The change is required for the purpose of applying for certain grants. The change is to Article 5. Management and Control of Property and is written as follows:

- A. All lands purchased or developed with MDNR Grants must be maintained as public land according to the MDNR Project Agreement. In the event of the dissolution of the District, lands acquired through MDNR grants will become the responsibility of the municipality in which it is located who will assume all title and control of said land.

Motion by Simons, seconded by Reid to approve the Charter language as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Commissioner Comments

Simons announced the upcoming Linden Clean-up day scheduled for Saturday.

McDermott stated he would be absent at the May meeting.

Next Meeting

Thursday, May 26th, 2022 – in person at 6:00pm

Adjournment

Vice Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 7:06pm

Respectfully Submitted, David McDermott, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Shirley Priestap