

**Southern Lakes Regional Metropolitan Parks & Recreation District**

150 S. Leroy St.

Fenton, MI 48430

Board of Commissioners Meeting- Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

7:30am

**Call to Order**

Vice Chairperson Culbert called the meeting to order at 7:30am

**Attendance/Roll Call**

Present: Ray Culbert, David McDermott, Chris Reid, Brenda Simons

Delayed: Rob Kesler

Excused: Pat Lockwood

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

Staff Present: Ed Koledo, Shirley Priestap

Public Present: None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

- Approval of the May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 regular meeting minutes
- Approval of Treasurer's Report:
  - -Bills paid prior to June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 in the amount \$ 67,491.21
  - -Payroll paid prior to June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 in the amount of \$ 22,639.68
- Approval of the Financial Statements for May 2023

Motion by McDermott, seconded by Simons to approve consent agenda as presented.

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Call to the Audience – None**

**Director's Report**

Koledo gave an update on the pathway stating there are potentially two donors who plan to pledge \$25,000 each toward the project. He noted that DMK/Charter Senior Living and NFE met to discuss the cost of their section of the pathway which was discussed at the \$60,000 level.

Koledo reported his community interactions highlighting the Chamber golf outing and the Networking at Noon ribbon cutting. He also noted the LAFF Paddle and Pedal event stating the event was better attended than it was last year, and a post event meeting will be held to determine if it should be two days rather than three. The staff dinner with the board with noted as was the on-going monthly staff lunch meetings.

Koledo discussed the planning meeting he had with Vincinia Gardens and staff re: the planning of a corn hole tournament and senior brunch in partnership with their facility. Recent complaints about an FCCC craft show

rental were discussed. He also noted the meeting to discuss the design process and layout of the Township property for a potential park and the meeting with the TRRD and the township's plan to revise its objectives.

Kesler arrived at 7:40am.

Koledo noted the weekly car show in Linden and said SLPR and FCCC donated gift cards for prizes for their show. He talked about planning with Genesee County Parks staff to research feasibility of a disc golf course at Linden County Park and that he had walked the property to see the layout. Also noted, the gymnastics equipment was moved from the warehouse and that the \$65,000 check from Linden Schools was received for it. He shared the SLPR staff organizational chart with the board.

#### **Accounting Coordinator's Report**

Priestap stated the rate for investing the approved \$200,000 into a savings account was only 3.5%. She recommended the money be put into a 9-month CD that paid a higher interest rate of 5%. She also noted the SLPR investment policy approves of any Federal insured banking institution with an office located within the SLPR District. She also discussed the amount of delinquent tax funds received from Genesee County stating about \$20,000 was expected and only \$750 was received. She is looking into the discrepancy with the county equalization department.

**Programmers' Report:** A written report was provided.

#### **Action Item a): Additional Bank Deposit / Investment Plan**

Motion by McDermott, seconded by Kesler to approve the transfer of \$200,000 – as previously approved at the May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting – from the regular checking account into a 9-month CD investment at the State Bank.

Motion Carried:

5 Ayes, 0 Nays

#### **Discussion Item (a): Loose Agreement 2024**

Koledo asked the board for their input on starting discussions re: the 2024 negotiations. A discussion followed re: current and future appropriations and senior programming.

#### **Discussion Items (b, c, d): Easements**

Koledo stated the two new property owners both agreed to the easement amounts, with one requesting \$1,600 payment, about \$300 more than the taxable value portion that was offered. The 'Barn' property on Silver Lake Road was sold, and the new owner will be contacted re: the easement agreement soon. Koledo also discussed the Nolde property re: Wes' desire to limit his costs for the sewer installation and current easement agreement.

#### **Discussion Item (e): The State Bank Trail Update**

Plans are finalized by NFE sent to the County RC and EGLE for their comment. The County RC reportedly does not support the road pathway crossing the road near Marl Drive. EGLE has not yet come back with a comment, NFE plans to make contact to seek a meeting for next week. The weekly update meetings have been beneficial and will continue.

#### **Discussion Item (f): Fenton Township Rec Center and Park Design Update**

Layout of the park was discussed with Lawrence Engineering and the initial design process is expected at the end of June.

**Commissioners' Comments:**

None

**Next Meeting**

Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:30am

**Adjournment**

Vice Chairperson Culbert adjourned the meeting at 8:25am

Respectfully Submitted, David McDermott, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Shirley Priestap