

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of Great Parks of Hamilton County was held on this day, 1:00 p.m., at 10245 Winton Road, Cincinnati, OH 45231.

Board President HC Buck Niehoff opened the meeting and led the Board, staff and guest in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present were Commissioners – Niehoff, Seta, Burwinkel, Warner; Staff: Sutton, McDonough, Lowe, Palmeto, Mowery, Henninger, R. Spreckelmeier, Zelek, Ference

Guests: Alicia Culman, Great Parks Foundation

1. RESOLUTION NO. 3476 - BILLS & PAYROLL RESOLUTION: The Board reviewed the Bills and Payroll Resolution asking staff to provide clarifying information on the content and scope of several payment items. Bill Mowery presented information on Great Parks' Mystery Shopper program and provided the Board sample reports. Following a thorough discussion, the Board found the staff explanations acceptable and satisfactory. Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Bills & Payroll Resolution.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 3477 - RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR (REVISED CODE 5705.34 - 5705.35): Upon motion duly made by Warner and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 3478 – BUDGET ADJUSTMENT – SEPTEMBER 2017: Upon motion duly made by Burwinkel and unanimously carried the Board approved and signed the Budget Adjustment Resolution.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 3479 - OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2018-2019 BIENNIUM ALLOCATION & REDISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS: Upon motion duly made by Warner and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the resolution authorizing Great Parks of Hamilton County to pay any costs greater than \$439,454.52 for the 2018-2019 Biennium Allocation and Redistribution of Funds plus any carryover funds from previous biennia in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation.

5. DONATIONS: Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board approved accepting the donations received during August 2017. The letter from the Judge of Probate Court approving acceptance of the gifts will be attached to the Final Minutes.

6. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATES:

Thursday	October 19, 2017	9:00 a.m.**	Winton Centre
Thursday	November 16, 2017	1:00 p.m.	Winton Centre

** Followed by an all-day park inspection tour.

I b - ACTION

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion duly made by Warner and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Final Minutes of the Board meeting of August 17, 2017.

8. BIDS:

CARGO VANS: Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board awarded a contract to Busam Nissan in the amount of \$58,902 for the purchase of two cargo vans, which was the lowest and best bid received.

MIAMI WHITEWATER FOREST 2017 PAVEMENT RESURFACING: Upon motion duly made by Burwinkel and unanimously carried, the Board awarded a contract to Westside Paving and Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$97,970.00 for the Miami Whitewater Forest - 2017 Pavement Resurfacing, which was the lowest and best bid received.

WINTON WOODS ORCHARD AREA PUMP STATION: Upon motion duly made by Warner and unanimously carried, the Board awarded a contract in the amount of \$69,560.00 to Ken Neyer Plumbing, Inc. for the Winton Woods Orchard Area Pump Station, which was the lowest and best bid received.

9. CAPITAL PURCHASE – LAW ENFORCEMENT RADIOS: Upon motion duly made by Burwinkel and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the purchase of 31 APX6000 Motorola radios in the amount of \$125,000 from Mobilcomm Inc., using the State of Ohio’s contract pricing.
10. CINCINNATI BELL DATA UPGRADES: Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the staff to execute a new sixty (60) month Cincinnati Bell Services Agreement for all park district phone and data service and the new data upgrades to thirty-two (32) Great Parks’ facilities.

11. REQUEST FOR DUKE ENERGY UTILITY EASEMENTS - LITTLE MIAMI SCENIC TRAIL: Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Executive Director to execute permanent utility easements for the purpose of the installation of six power pole guy wire anchors and anchor poles, where necessary, along the Little Miami Trail provided Duke Energy agrees to meeting the requirements of the park district regarding location and distance from the trail.

II - MONITORING REPORTS

12. MONITORING REPORT / COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: The Board reviewed the Monitoring Report for Compensation and Benefits. After a thorough discussion, the Board found the report to be reasonable and acceptable. The Board then ordered the report filed for the record.

III – GENERAL REPORTS

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Alicia Culman, Executive Director of Great Parks Foundation addressed the Board regarding the Foundation’s rebranding project.

IV - EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Seta and seconded by Warner to go into Executive Session at 1:46 p.m. to discuss potential land acquisitions for public purpose. The Roll Call vote was as follows: Niehoff – Aye; Warner – Aye; Seta – Aye; Burwinkel – Aye.

Following the Executive Session, a motion was made by Burwinkel and seconded by Warner to reconvene the Regular meeting at 2:09 p.m. The Roll Call vote was as follows: Warner – Aye; Seta – Aye; Burwinkel – Aye; Niehoff – Aye.

14. LAND ACQUISITION – OAK GLEN NATURE PRESERVE: Upon motion duly made by Seta and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the Executive Director to make an offer to purchase approximately 59 acres located in Colerain Township subject to securing funding assistance through the Clean Ohio Conservation Program.

There being no further matters to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Executive Director