

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
FIVE RIVERS METROPARKS**

November 12, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners (BOPC) was held at Five Rivers MetroParks Main Office, 409 E. Monument Avenue, 3rd Floor, Dayton Ohio, on November 12, 2020, and convened at 8:03 a.m. on a roll call vote by the Board of Park Commissioners.

Present:

Five Rivers MetroParks Commission President Karen L. Davis, Vice President Jessica Saunders, Commissioner Bear Monita, Executive Director Rebecca Benná, Chief of Public Safety Mark Hess, Chief of Administration Bill Tschirhart, Director of Information Technology Tim Clark, Planning Manager Eric Sauer, Executive Assistant Christianna Romer, and Legal Counsel Bob Curry. By video and/or telephone: Chief of Operations Karen Hesser, Chief of Philanthropy Beth Redden, Director of Adventure Central Nate Arnett, Director of Outdoor Connections Amy Dingle, Director of Marketing and Public Engagement Shelli DiFranco, Director of Parks and Conservation Chris Pion, Director of Human Resources Antoine Tweedie, Finance Manager Jennifer Grusenmeyer, Project Manager Joe Zimmerman and Administrative Assistant Rebecca Rowley.

Visitors Present: None

Minutes: The BOPC was presented with the minutes of the regular meeting for October 9, 2020. On a motion by Commissioner Saunders, the minutes were approved.

Financial Reports: The BOPC was presented with the October 2020 financial information and approved list of bills for October 1 – 31, 2020. On a motion by Commissioner Saunders, the BOPC accepted the financials as presented.

Law Enforcement Activity: The BOPC was presented with the Law Enforcement Activity Report for October 2020.

COVID-19 Update: Executive Director Rebecca Benná updated the BOPC on how the COVID-19 Pandemic has affected the Agency and its response to continuing to provide services to the community.

Medlar MetroPark Master Plan Overview: Planning Manager Eric Sauer presented an overview of the new park master plan.

Budget Adjustment Resolution: Chief of Administration Bill Tschirhart requested approval and adoption of Resolution No. 20-034 authorizing budget appropriation adjustment requests. On a motion by Commissioner Saunders, the BOPC adopted Resolution No. 20-034.

Priority Development and Advocacy Committee (PDAC) Request(s): Executive Director Rebecca Benná requested approval to submit Sunrise MetroPark Phase 1 to the PDAC process for state or federal grant funding prioritization with the local match from the City of Dayton bikeway project funded through the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC). On a motion by Commissioner Saunders, the BOPC approved the request as presented.

Other Business: Executive Director Rebecca Benná announced that Five Rivers MetroParks has received two first place awards from the Ohio Parks and Recreation Association (OPRA) 2020 Awards of Excellence. First place awards were received for the agency's new mobile app, through OuterSpatial, in the category of Marketing Innovation and

the “Explore the Outdoors Summer Camp” program in the category of Environmental and Interpretive Programs and Events.

Visitor Comments: None

Next Board Meeting: The BOPC agreed to hold the next regularly scheduled meeting on December 10, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at Five Rivers MetroParks Main Office. The BOPC directed the Secretary of the Board to give notice of this meeting and all subsequent meetings to the rule adopted by the BOPC.

Budget Work Session:

Proposed 2021 Five Rivers MetroParks Budget: Executive Director Rebecca Benná and Chief of Administration Bill Tschirhart presented the 2020 year-end budget estimates and the proposed 2021 budget. Chief of Philanthropy Beth Redden reviewed 2020 alternative revenues and projected 2021 alternative revenues.

Adjournment: On a motion by Commissioner Saunders, the BOPC adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.