COMMISSION MINUTES: March 14, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Joe Krapohl, Secretary Mike Lynch
Commissioners: Cloyce Dickerson, Ted Henry, Mike Keeler, David Martin, Gloria Nealy, Bryant Nolden

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice President James Washington, Commissioner Jeff Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Barry June, Director; Ron Walker, Deputy Director; Melissa Gagne, Secretary; Vicki Miller, Detective; Leisa Gagne, Financial Affairs Officer

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Kehoe, 4304 E Stanley, Genesee, MI; Jason Harrison, Lapeer County; Michael Hubbs, 2374 Delwood, Clio, MI

1. CALL TO ORDER. President Krapohl presided and called the meeting to order at 10:02AM.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION. Anyone wishing to address the commission must state their name and address and they have 3 minutes to speak.

   Public comment heard and received.

3. CONSENT AGENDA. President Krapohl asked Commissioners if there are any items they wish to remove from the consent agenda for discussion. No items were removed.
Motion and support to approve items A through C as listed.

   ACTION TAKEN:
   Motion by Commissioner Nolden
   Supported by Commissioner Henry

   MOTION AND SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH C AS LISTED.

   ROLL CALL
   YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
   NAYS: None
   ABSENT: Washington, Wright

   MOTION CARRIED 8–0–2

4. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER FLINT’S FLINT WOMEN & GIRLS FUND
Motion and support to approve request to apply for grant in the amount of $10,000.00 for programming in City of Flint parks during the summer with Keep Genesee County Beautiful.
ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Lynch

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT WITH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER FLINT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

B. APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – NRPA SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM
Motion and support to approve request to apply for grant in the amount of $35,000.00 with the National Recreation and Park Association for funding the summer lunch program through parks and recreation.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

C. APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – 2019 SUMMER YOUTH INITIATIVE (SYI)
Motion and support to approve request to apply for a grant in the amount of $82,269.00 with the Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce for the Summer Youth Initiative (SYI) program for summer positions at Crossroads Village, For-Mar Nature Preserve & Arboretum, Keep Genesee County Beautiful, and in Marketing.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Lynch
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2
D. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – NEIL WOODWARD – STROLLING MUSIC AT CROSSROADS VILLAGE
Motion and support for approval to pursue a Professional Services Contract with Neil Woodward to provide strolling music at Crossroads Village through the 2019 summer season.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

E. APPROVE TO AWARD BID TO CAROUSEL ACRES – RFP 18-159 – FARM ANIMALS AT CROSSROADS VILLAGE
Motion and support for approval to award bid for RFP 18-159 to Carousel Acres for farm animals on site at Crossroads Village for summer 2019.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO AWARD BID AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

F. APPROVE AGREEMENT GISD – 21st CENTURY – FOR-MAR ON THE ROAD
Motion and support to approve agreement with GISD for For-Mar on the Road to provide programming to 21st Century afterschool children.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH GISD AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES FROM PRESIDENT & SECRETARY.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2
G. APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – FRIENDS OF FOR-MAR FOUNDATION
Motion and support to approve request to accept a grant in the amount of $10,000.00 from the Friends of For-Mar Foundation Board.

Henry: How large is that group?
June: Somewhere around eight? It’s been in existence since Martha Merkley donated the property to us.
Henry: There is only about eight people, you think?
June: And they control a certain amount of Martha Merkley’s estate to award grants.
Henry: From the trust?
June: And not necessarily just to us. It can be awarded to others as well.
Henry: Thank you.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8–0–2

H. APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – RUTH MOTT FOUNDATION FOR KGCB
Motion and support to approve request to accept a grant in the amount of $410,168.00 for the North Flint Public Safety Strategy 2019 from the Ruth Mott Foundation. This will be with Keep Genesee County Beautiful.

ACTION TAKEN:
Motion by Commissioner Lynch
Supported by Commissioner Nolden

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL
YEAS: Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Washington, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 8–0–2

I. APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES – MOUNDS ORV
Motion and support to approve request to accept the annual grant from Michigan Department of Natural Resources Off-Road Vehicle Trail Improvement Fund in the amount of $50,000.00 for trail signage and trail maintenance at the Mounds ORV Park.

Henry: It says trail improvements. What would that do, Barry?
June: It comes from their Trail Improvement Fund and this particular grant we are going to use for signage at the Mounds and trail maintenance. It will pay for the brushing back of trails for visibility and then try to create signage to make it easier.
Henry: Do you sub that all out?
June: We do most of it.
Henry: Good. Excellent.

**ACTION TAKEN:**
Motion by Commissioner Dickerson
Supported by Commissioner Henry

**MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.**

**ROLL CALL**
**YEAS:** Dickerson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Washington
**NAYS:** None
**ABSENT:** Washington, Wright

**MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2**

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS—NONE.

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSIONERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION.

Nolden: Got to get back down to Berston for the job fair.

Keeler: I’ve been reading quite a bit and getting some information sent to me about the recycling markets in the United States. I know some of our guests out there talk about us doing recycling, and I’m sure we do some of it in the office. China used to accept up to 80% of our recyclables and they don’t do that anymore, so there’s no markets. Markets in the United States are tumbling down. Talked to one of the Republic guys and they are talking about killing the recycling program. There is no market and most of the time they’re collecting separately and dumping it in the landfills. Don’t know what organizations are going to do or what we have to do in the United States to prop this up, but it’s looking mighty dim for our recyclables.

Henry: Piggybacking on Commissioner Keeler’s comment. I think we should, from the Genesee County Parks Commission, send something to the State on recycling. Maybe in favor of it and maybe a program where they could subsidize it. I know off Linden, between Bristol and Maple, there is a company that makes basement tile, plastic tile, so there are some companies around that use plastic.

Krapohl: We can check into it.

Henry: Maybe have Brian draft a letter and send it forward.

Nolden: Is that something we can do from the County Board as well?

Henry: Yes, we will do one as well.

Nolden: Makes sense.

Henry: It is a lost market. I heard exactly what Mike heard.

Krapohl: Draft up kind of a resolution?

Henry: Yes.

Krapohl: Okay.

Henry: Just something recognizing the problem.

Krapohl: We can bring one back.
Martin: I looked up Friends of For-Mar quickly. It doesn’t say exactly how many. It gives the officers, but their facebook page has 246 followers.
Keeler: I think they are having a fundraiser in the next week, or did they already have that?
Martin: There was something like that...
Nolden: It was last month, wasn’t it?

7. **ADJOURNMENT.** Hearing no objections to adjournment, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15AM.

I, Melissa Gagne, secretary of Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the March 14, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting that was duly called and held in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of MI and the by-laws of the company and that a quorum was present.

I further certify that the votes and resolutions of the commissioners of Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission at the meeting are operative and in full force and effect and have not been annulled or modified by any vote or resolution passed or adopted by the board since that meeting.

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