



GENESEE COUNTY PARKS

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COMMISSION MINUTES: May 9, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Joe Krapohl, Vice President James Washington
Commissioners: Cloyce Dickerson, Ted Henry, Mike Keeler, David Martin,
Bryant Nolden

MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary Mike Lynch, Gloria Nealy, Jeff Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Barry June, Director; Ron Walker, Deputy Director; Melissa Gagne, Secretary;
Kevin Shanlian, Chief Park Ranger; Leisa Gagne, Financial Affairs Officer; Nancy
Edwards, Keep Genesee County Beautiful; Hollie Marlett, Marketing Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Kehoe, 4304 E Stanley, Genesee, MI; RaeLynn Hicks, 8373 Miller Rd

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 Keeler
Supported by Commissioner Washington

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

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-3

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. ADOPT-A-PARK AGREEMENTS (5) KGCB

Motion and support to approve five (5) Adopt-a-Park agreements with Keep Genesee County Beautiful. The agreements are for Sarvis Park, Clara Hilborn Park, Kellar Park, Mott Park Recreation Area, and Ogema Triangle.

Keeler: So, we asked at our last meeting how many were left. She said six, now we have five here, so there is only one park left? Okay.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE ADOPT-A-PARK AGREEMENTS AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES FROM PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-3

B. EXPENSE OVER 10,000 – VEHICLES FROM ROAD COMMISSION

Motion and support to approve an expense over 10,000 to purchase nine pickup trucks and two light towers from the Road Commission, in the amount of \$49,979.00.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Henry
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE EXPENSE AND REFER TO BOC FOR APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-3

C. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – MDNR MATCHING FUNDS FOR TEACHOUT TRAIL EXTENSION & THE ATLAS TO WHITE TAIL DRIVE TRAIL

Motion and support to approve to accept grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources as match funds for trail construction, in the amount of \$583,532.00.

Martin: You're saying we're on the ball. So, you're saying because of the planning, we had all of the other funding in place, all of the things we've done...

June: We have to give due credit to the Planning Commission because they're the ones that come up with the route, with the non-motorized trail plan for the County, and then they work with us. We got the preliminary engineering done. We got a Challenge Grant from the DNR for that. We have everything laid out for them.

Martin: So I am assuming that there are other entities that didn't have their act together and therefore, we captured the monies from them. Outstanding.

Keeler: So this was the project that was supposed to happen, the construction portion that was supposed to happen next year?

June: No, these are two projects. One project is at the trail from the Village of Atlas connecting to Grand Blanc. We've already got agreements with the Townships to help pay the match and the Planning Commission is working on additional TAP funds. Now the DNR is saying we really want you to move that along. We are going to give you another \$335,000 to move that along. The other trail goes from Richfield Park out to M-15 on the way out to the Campground.

Keeler: Is that what this one is?

June: There are two of them here.

Krapohl: One is for this out here.

June: And that one is for \$248,000.

Keeler: I actually saw the Planning Commission. They sent something to our house. I went through and marked all of the bike path stuff. I saw this on there. I google mapped it and Teachout Drive is actually North of Richfield Park. So that's where the trail is coming out from Vassar Road? It's going to come out North of the park?

June: Yes.

Keeler: And then it will just go straight out into that Teachout?

June: It's going to go North to Mt. Morris Road, up Gale Road and up to M-15.

Keeler: But this Teachout Road is actually North of Richfield Park. So would this trail go on the side of the road?

June: We are still working on the route.

Keeler: Then it goes in from there into Richfield Park?

June: It comes out of Richfield Park and goes North on Gale Road to Mt. Morris Road.

Keeler: I'm kind of confused. Once we get to Irish, how are we getting to Richfield Park?

June: We're already past Irish. Next summer we're building a section from Irish Road into Richfield Park.

Keeler: How are we doing that? Is that going next to the entrance where the cars drive in?

June: Yes. North side of the road.

Keeler: Okay, got it.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Henry

Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

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

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-3

D. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – ADAPTIVE RECREATION (FOR-MAR)

Motion and support to approve to accept a grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Flint in support of Adaptive Recreation programming at For-Mar Nature Preserve and Arboretum, in the amount of \$7,000.00.

Henry: Is this an extension of an existing program?

June: It is a renewal of a grant. We had a grant from them last year for the same use.

Henry: So, it's a renewal.

June: Yes.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

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

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 7-0-3

E. REQUEST TO APPROVE ADDENDUM TO GISD AGREEMENT FOR APPROVED EDUCATORS (FOR-MAR)

Motion and support to approve an addendum to the current GISD agreement to allow two additional Environmental Educators to provide educational services to 21st Century children.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Dickerson
Supported by Commissioner Washington

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE ADDENDUM AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dicerkson, Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nolden, Washington
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Lynch, Nealy, Wright

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5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS – NONE.

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSIONERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION.

Henry: I'd like to know if you'd reach out to the weatherman to correct some issues...

Krapohl: We had summer last Sunday. You missed it?

Martin: I was out at the Holloway Dam for the Flint Watershed's portion of the Flint River Clean-up. All across the watershed, there was outstanding participation from a lot of community groups and individuals. It looked like fishing was good at the dam. It was a nice day.

Krapohl: Walleye fishermen didn't kick you out?

Martin: No, they were only about this big. They were throwing them back.

Washington: It was 85 where I was at in Dallas.

7. ADJOURNMENT. Hearing no objections to adjournment, the meeting adjourned at 10:17AM.

I, Melissa Gagne, secretary of Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the May 9, 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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