



GENESEE COUNTY PARKS

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COMMISSION MINUTES: August 22, 2019

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice President James Washington, Commissioner Ted Henry

STAFF PRESENT: Barry June, Director; Ron Walker, Deputy Director; Melissa Gagne, Secretary; Leisa Gagne, Financial Affairs Officers; Nancy Edwards, Keep Genesee County Beautiful; Hollie Marlett, Marketing Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Kehoe, 4304 E Stanley, Genesee, 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 Lynch

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

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Wright

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Washington

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT EXTENSION – BRIAN OSMER, RAILROAD SPECIALTIES, LLC
Motion and support to extend contract for one year, per resolution #18-515.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Lynch
Supported by Commissioner Nealy**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Wright

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Washington

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

- B. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT EXTENSION – JANET VAN DE WINKLE
Motion and support to extend contract for one year, per resolution #18-461, to act as project manager of the Flint Riverfront Restoration Project.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO EXTEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Lynch, Martin, Nealy, Nolden, Wright

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Washington

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

- C. APPROVE MARKETING PLAN FYE 2020
Motion and support to approve of prepared Parks Marketing Plan for FYE 2020. This plan is for advertising and marketing buys invoiced October 2019 through September 2020.

Krapohl: Based on our budget process and with any upcoming financial constraints, we look at some things in the marketing plan as "non priority" to save money. Agrees with marketing plan, but if needed, be ahead of the game to save money.

Martin: If that came to that. Would also like to see changes in the marketing plan based on attendance and need for marketing.

June: Attendance has been monitored and ads placed are targeted.

Marlett: Marketing now is focused on tracking.

Krapohl: ROI is generally pretty good on marketing.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Nolden

Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT OF PARKS MARKETING PLAN FYE 2020 AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

D. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH BENTLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS FOR FOR-MAR

Motion and support to approve an agreement for educational programming at For-Mar.

Lynch: This has been in place for 3 or 4 years now?

June: Second year. They come to For-Mar DeWaters and our staff also go to their school.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Dickerson
Supported by Commissioner Nolden**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE BENTLY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AGREEMENT AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

E. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH GISD FOR FOR-MAR ON THE ROAD

Motion and support to approve agreement for FMOTR to provide onsite educational experiences for students at EKLC during 2019-2020 school year.

Nolden: Is this a continuation of a program already in place?

June: Yes.

Nolden: Out-County schools can participate in this?

June: Yes, this is through Intermediate School District.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Dickerson
Supported by Commissioner Nolden**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE GISD AGREEMENT AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 8-0-2

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS – NONE.

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSIONERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION.

Keeler: Explained that Zero Mass scheduled to present information regarding solar panels with dehumidifiers to neighborhood association, but canceled for various reasons including dispute of language in the charter pertaining to changing the usage of a park without the vote of the people. Will this affect the transfer of Chevy Commons?

June: Explained that Chevy Commons is not a park. It is not designated as a park in any documents, master plan, or deed.

Wright: Asked what the status of Chevy Commons is.

June: Explained that we have the purchase agreement. Once approved by City Council, then it will be brought to Parks Commission.

Wright: And then to the County Board?

June: Right.

Wright: Is there a clause in there about not being liable for the contamination?

June: The EPA has released that as long as the cap is being maintained, there is no liability for the contamination.

Wright: Does that include, from the EPA, when they change the rules? We all know there is contamination under that cap. We already know there is some leaching going into the Flint River. So if the EPA comes back and says they know longer allow this leaching of these harmful products into the Flint River, it has to be fixed, and changes the rules, we are still liable?

June: Explains that the EPA does not hold us liable.

Wright: Urges legal review. Ensure protection from the liability of cleaning the site.

Martin: Genesee County Fair going on at E.A. Cummings Event Center in the beautiful 9th District of Genesee County. Will be attending the fair.

Nolden: August 31st – Back-to-School boxing event at Berston. Free event at 3:00pm. Donations welcome.

Wright: Parks does an excellent job and great work. When will we see the final draft form we'd be voting on for Chevy Commons?

June: Explained that it was sent out with the Parks Information Packet about a month ago. (E-mailed on 7-19-19 in the Information Packet for the Parks Commission meeting on 9-25-19.)

7. ADJOURNMENT. Hearing no objections to adjournment, the meeting adjourned at 10:21AM.

I, Melissa Gagne, secretary of Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the August 22, 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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