



GENESEE COUNTY PARKS

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COMMISSION MINUTES: February 13, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Joe Krapohl, Vice President James Washington
Commissioners: Cloyce Dickerson, Mike Keeler, David Martin, Gloria Nealy

MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary Mike Lynch, Commissioners: Henry, Nolden, Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Barry June, Director; Ron Walker, Deputy Director; Melissa Gagne, Secretary;
Vicki Miller, Detective; Leisa Gagne, Financial Affairs Officer; Hollie Marlett, Parks
Communications Specialist; Denise Bowles, Crossroads Village Manager; Nicole
Ferguson, Park Naturalist

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

1. CALL TO ORDER. President Krapohl presided and called the meeting to order at 10:04AM.

2. CLOSED SESSION.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Nolden
Supported by Commissioner Washington**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:06AM.

3. OPEN SESSION.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Keeler
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR OPEN MEETING AT 10:30AM.

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

Public comment received.

5. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND GRANT PROPOSALS. **Anyone wishing to address the commission must state their name and address and they have 3 minutes to speak.**

Comments regarding Thomas Estates property rights, access, and intended use of property.

6. 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: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. APPROVE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT – 2020 MID-MICHIGAN RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Request to approve a partnership agreement to co-host the annual Railfans Weekend at Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad, set up and staff a train exhibit during specified dates at Crossroads Village.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES FROM PRESIDENT & SECRETARY.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- B. APPROVE CONTRACT – CROSSROADS VILLAGE BANK BUILDING EXTERIOR REPAIRS

Request to approve a Professional Services Contract with WTA Architects to design the specifications and scope of work for the T.N. North & Sons Bank Building exterior repairs, at Crossroads Village. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Nealy**

MOTION AND SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- C. APPROVE PARKS AGREEMENT – GISD WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) (FOR-MAR)
Request to approve an agreement with Genesee Intermediate School District for the purpose of providing work experience to WIOA eligible youth to enhance employability. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Nealy**

MOTION AND SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- D. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – CROSSROADS VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT – NEIL WOODWARD
Request to approve a contract with Neil Woodward for 2020 summer strolling music at Crossroads Village. The contract will be effective May 20, 2020 through September 7, 2020, in the amount of \$26,000.00. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Nealy**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS..

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- E. APPROVE AGREEMENT EXTENSION – TICKETWEB – DAY OUT WITH THOMAS
Request to approve a one-year extension to the Ticketweb agreement for the sale of Day Out With Thomas tickets. The agreement will expire on December 31, 2020. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE EXTENSION AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES FROM PRESIDENT & SECRETARY.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

F. EXPENSE OVER 10,000 – STATE OF MICHIGAN ORV LICENSE

Request to approve an expense for the purchase of 2020 Michigan ORV license, for Mounds ORV, in the amount of \$32,000.00. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

G. EXPENSE OVER 10,000 – STAFF VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

Request to approve an expense for the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet Equinox from Hank Graff, as a replacement staff vehicle. Item #3 on ITF #19-198. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

H. APPROVE PARKS PERSONNEL – PAY RATE FOR CHIEF PARK RANGER

Request to approve a set wage rate for the Chief Park Ranger, non-union position. Proposed annual wage rate not to exceed \$75,505.00 per year. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE PERSONNEL ITEM AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

I. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – SAGINAW BAY WIN ACTION GRANT

Request to accept a grant from the Saginaw Bay WIN Action Grant for Keep Genesee County Beautiful to fund pollinator gardens. Grant Amount: \$1,000. No use of County General Fund. No use of Parks General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Dickerson
Supported by Commissioner Washington**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OBTAIN SIGNATURES FROM PRESIDENT & SECRETARY.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

J. REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT - FLINT & GENESEE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - SYI

Request to apply for a grant in the amount of \$115,000 from the Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce to employ 28 TeenQuest graduates. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Nealy**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

K. REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – 2020 DNR ORV GRANT (MOUNDS)

Request to apply for a grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the 2020 Off-Road Vehicle Trail Improvement Grant to brush trail and trail improvements at the Mounds ORV Park.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- L. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND – IRON BELLE TRAIL, ATLAS TWP TO GRAND BLANC TWP
Request to apply for a grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to connect the existing Iron Belle Trail from Atlas Township to the sidewalk in Grand Blanc Township at Whitetail Drive. Grant amount up to \$300,000. MDOT TAP dollars as match. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

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

ROLL CALL

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

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- M. REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND – GOLDENROD DISC GOLF ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS
Request to apply for a grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to add restrooms to Goldenrod Disc Golf Course along with parking, and cement pads throughout the course. Grant amount requested up to \$300,000. Matching dollars will be funded from the maintenance budget. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Martin
Supported by Commissioner Washington**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- N. REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND – THOMAS ESTATES ACQUISITION
Request to apply for a grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to purchase land in Oregon Township of Lapeer County. The property connects two parcels of Genesee County park land and will preserve waterfront property for public use.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Washington

Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- O. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – CROSSROADS VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT – DOUG SCHEER
Request to approve a contract with Doug Scheer for 2020 summer entertainment at Crossroads Village. The contract will be effective July 29, 2020 through September 7, 2020, for a total of 31 days of performances. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- P. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – CROSSROADS VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT – BANDS GALORE
Request to approve a contract with Bands Galore Enterprises for 2020 summer entertainment at Crossroads Village. The contract will be effective June 24, 2020 through July 26, 2020, for a total of 25 days of performances. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- Q. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – CROSSROADS VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT – ABSOLUTELY BAFFLING BILL
Request to approve a contract with Absolutely Baffling Bill for 2020 summer entertainment at Crossroads Village. The contract will be effective May 20, 2020 through June 21, 2020, for a total of 27 days of performances. No use of County General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Washington

Supported by Commissioner Dickerson

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO APPROVE CONTRACT AND REFER TO BOC APPROVAL PROCESS.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- R. REQUEST TO APPLY FOR GRANT – FITLOT GRANT FROM AARP (KGCB)
Request to apply for a FitLot grant from AARP. This grant is for an outdoor exercise facility, valued at \$180,000. There is interest from the City to build at Hasselbring Park. No match. No use of County General Fund. No use of Parks General Fund.

ACTION TAKEN:

**Motion by Commissioner Washington
Supported by Commissioner Dickerson**

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

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- S. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND – IRON BELLE TRAIL AT VIETNAM VETERANS
Request to approve acceptance of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant for Iron Belle Trail improvements at Vietnam Veterans – TF18-0076. No use of County General Fund. Grant Amount: \$296,000. Match from CS Mott Foundation: \$104,000.

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

- T. REQUEST TO ACCEPT GRANT – MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND – FLINT RIVER SCENIC OVERLOOK PICNIC AREA
Request to approve acceptance of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant for the Flint River Scenic Overlook Picnic Area – TF18-0075. No use of County General Fund. Grant Amount: \$296,000. Match from CS Mott Foundation: \$104,000.

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: **Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington**

NAYS: **None**

ABSENT: **Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright**

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

U. DRONE UPDATE

Request to accept advice of legal counsel.

ACTION TAKEN:

Motion by Commissioner Martin

Supported by Commissioner Washington

MOTION AND SUPPORT TO ACCEPT LEGAL COUNSEL ADVICE.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: **Dickerson, Keeler, Krapohl, Martin, Nealy, Washington**

NAYS: **None**

ABSENT: **Henry, Lynch, Nolden, Wright**

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-4

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS - NONE

9. OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSIONERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION.

Krapohl: Just because a door is closed does not mean all are not welcome. We (Parks Commission) do not deny access to meetings.

Keeler: Policy in Parks regarding the feeding of wildlife?

June: Yes, we follow the state.

Keeler: Make Commission aware that deer are approaching vehicles.

June: Signs are going up and then we can ticket.

Krapohl: The state prohibits feeding deer.

Martin: Deer and turkey are always in view. Must be the type of feed grass – tender shoots.

Krapohl: Reminder that the Parks Commission Retreat will be held at the Parks Admin Office on February 27, from 10-12. Lunch will be provided.

10. ADJOURNMENT. Hearing no objections to adjournment, the meeting adjourned at 10:58AM.

I, Melissa Gagne, secretary of Genesee County Parks and Recreation Commission certify that the above is a true and correct transcript from the February 13, 2020 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.

Melissa Gagne, Secretary
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