

**Minutes of
Trumbull County MetroParks Board
Wednesday, June 26, 2019**

A meeting of Trumbull County MetroParks was called to order by the Chairman, John Brown, Jr., on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. in the Planning Commission Conference Room at 185 East Market Street. Those in attendance included the following:

John Brown, Jr., Chair
Kathy DiCristofaro
Nicolette Darkangelo
Steve Maas
Kurt Sauer
Zachary Svette, Operations Director
Mitzi Sabella, Secretary

Also in attendance: Friends of the Mahoning River members: Pete Morgan, Jack Mullen, Don Rex, Colleen McLean, Bill Hayward, Felicia Armstrong

Public Comments: Colleen McLean spoke on behalf of the Friends of Mahoning River regarding the proposed enterprise project located behind the Eastwood Mall in Niles. She stated that since the MetroParks' property is located near this proposed project, the group thought the board may provide guidance on questions of pollution and the disturbance of the wetlands. Mr. Brown stated that the MetroParks does not make opinions at the meeting.

I. Approval of Board Minutes of May 8, 2019

Mr. Maas made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2019, regular meeting seconded by Ms. DiCristofaro. The motion carried.

II. Financial

The board reviewed the list of bills paid since the last meeting. Mr. Sauer made a motion to approve of the attached list of bills; seconded by Ms. Darkangelo. The motion carried.

III. General Business

Mr. Sauer made a motion to approved purchasing a cell phone for Mr. Svette to use for MetroParks' business from Trumbull County's plan for \$45.00/month (hot spot, unlimited calling, unlimited data, unlimited texting included); seconded by Ms. Darkangelo. The motion carried.

Ms. Darkangelo made a motion to accept a donation for \$300 from the McNevin and King family for a memorial bench on the bike trail; seconded by Mr. Maas. The motion carried.

IV. General Business, continued:

Ms. Darkangelo made a motion to approve a Boy Scout project to make 7 benches on the bike trail and approve \$600, if needed, from the MetroParks' accounts for extra material; seconded by Mr. Sauer. The motion carried.

Mr. Sauer made a motion to accept \$14 for a Memorial brick for a Boy Scout Project; seconded by Mr. Maas. The motion carried.

Mr. Maas made a motion to approved the purchase of a debris blower for \$7,060.48 from Century Equipment (state purchasing); seconded by Mr. Maas. The motion carried.

Mr. Sauer made a motion to grant permission for Mr. Svette to apply for a Workers' Comp Grant for equipment; seconded by Ms. Darkangelo. The motion carried. (Note: this application is due at any time)

Ms. DiCristofaro made a motion to approved Resolution No. 2019-3 – Request the Trumbull County Auditor to certify estimate revenue of proposed levy; seconded by Ms. Darkangelo. Roll call followed: Mr. Brown, yea; Ms. Darkangelo, yea; Mr. Maas, yea; Mr. Sauer, yea; and Ms. DiCristofaro, yea. The motion carried.

Mr. Maas made a motion to donate nine steel bollards to the City of Warren that are not needed for public use, or are obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired, and the property has no value; seconded by Mr. Sauer. The motion carried. Note: The steel bollards were put on www.govdeals.com from May 13, 2019, to June 10, 2019, with no bids.

Mr. Sauer made a motion to approve the use of Road Tax Funds for sealing and striping of all MetroParks lots for \$77,064.65; seconded by Ms. DiCristofaro. The motion carried.

V. Communications

There were no communication to review at this meeting.

VI. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Svette gave his report. See attached report.

VII. Reports on Current MetroParks – No report.

VIII. Other Parks, Preserves and Lands

Mr. Sauer made a motion to walk away from the Coalburg Lake project due to the many liabilities and terminate the project; seconded by Ms. DiCristofaro. The motion carried.

Mr. Svette stated that he is awaiting approval of the Kodu Property from Legal Counsel. NO action is needed at this time.

IX. Future Planning

The next scheduled MetroParks meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 24, 2019**, at 4:15 p.m. at Conference Room at the Planning Commission Office, 185 E. Market Street, Warren.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Sauer made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ms. DiCristofaro. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mitzi Sabella, Secretary