

2024-038

MINUTES OF THE LAKE METROPARKS REGULAR MEETING  
(The following is a summary of Board Meeting Minutes. Transcripts available upon request.)

PLACE: CONCORD WOODS

DATE: August 14, 2024

I. Roll Call and Pledge

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with Board members Frank Polivka, President, Gretchen Skok DiSanto and John Redmond, Vice Presidents. Staff included: Paul Palagyi, Executive Director; Vince Urbanski, Deputy Director; Mark Ziccarelli, Legal Counsel; Tom Adair; Chris Brassell; Tom Koritansky; Jim Sivak; Lindsay Pschirer; Jean Sullivan; Liz Mather; Seth Begeman; Lee Homyock; Karen Reis; Jen Irwin; and Tammy Chiappone.

Mr. Polivka led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to approve the Board Meeting Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Minutes

A. Regular Meeting July 10, 2024

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, July 10, 2024. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Meeting Open to the Public

Judge Mark Bartolotta  
Bryson Durst – The News-Herald

V. Old Business

VI. Finance Report

A. June 2024

Mr. Brassell read the Finance Report for July 2024.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve the Finance Report for July 2024. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. New Business

A. Other

1. Resolution 2024-015, Clean Ohio Grant Application

Mr. Palagy explained Resolution 2024-014, Clean Ohio Grant Application. Mr. Palagy explained that this resolution will authorize the Executive Director to submit a Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Fund Grant Application for the Grand River Gorge Corridor Preservation Project Phase III. Mr. Palagy said this is an outstanding property and the final cost of the property will be approximately \$1 million, but he expects to apply to Clean Ohio for approximately half of the cost.

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to approve Resolution 2024-015, Clean Ohio Grant Application. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution 2024-016, West Creek Purchase Agreement

Mr. Palagy explained Resolution 2024-016, West Creek Purchase Agreement. Mr. Palagy said this Resolution would allow the Executive Director to enter into a Property Sale and Purchase Agreement with West Creek Conservancy for the purchase of approximately 95 acres in Painesville Township for an amount not to exceed the appraised value plus associated closing and professional service costs. Mr. Palagy said legal agreements will be reviewed by legal counsel.

Mr. Palagy said this purchase will be contingent upon a successful grant that will be announced in late October.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2024-016, West Creek Purchase Agreement. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Palagy thanked the staff for the clean up after the storm damage. He said we were able to keep camps and rentals open.

Mr. Palagy said that summer camps wrapped up with approximately 55 camps and approximately 1,100 campers in five different locations.

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IX. Executive Session


Mr. Palagyi said there is not a need for an Executive Session.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to adjourn the regular meeting at 5:06 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Paul Palagyi  
Executive Director

  
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Frank J. Polivka  
President