

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

PLACE: CONCORD WOODS

DATE: September 18, 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; Liz Mather; Seth Begeman; Lee Homyock; Karen Reis; Jen Irwin; Tim Lane; Nick Gustin, Sharon Metzung 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 amend the Board Meeting Agenda by moving Item #4 to Item #1. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Minutes

A. Regular Meeting August 14, 2024

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 14, 2024. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Meeting Open to the Public

Robert and Loretta Dakes, Lake Parks Foundation  
Kevin Clinton, Lake Parks Foundation

V. Old Business

VI. Finance Report

A. August 2024

Mr. Brassell read the Finance Report for August 2024.

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

VII. New Business

A. Other

1. Resolution 2024-020, Recognizing Kevin Clinton

Mr. Palagyi read Resolution 2024-020, Recognizing Kevin Clinton.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2024-020, Recognizing Kevin Clinton. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution 2024-017, Accepting the 2025 Tax Rates

Mr. Brassell explained Resolution 2024-017, Accepting the 2025 Tax Rates. Mr. Brassell said there are no changes at this time, but final estimates will be available in December.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2024-017, Accepting the 2025 Tax Rates. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Resolution 2024-018, Real Estate Tax Advance

Mr. Brassell explained Resolution 2024-018, Real Estate Tax Advance.

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to approve Resolution 2024-018, Real Estate Tax Advance. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Resolution 2024-019, Then and Now Emergency PO – Xpert Restoration

Mr. Palagyi explained Resolution 2024-019, Then and Now Emergency PO – Xpert Restoration.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2024-019, Then and Now Emergency PO – Xpert Restoration in the amount of \$9,000. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Resolution 2024-021, East Ohio Gas Easement

Mr. Palagyi explained Resolution 2024-021, East Ohio Gas Easement.

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to approve Resolution 2024-021, East Ohio Gas Easement. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Bid #2024-047, Wildlife Center Quarantine Room Rebid

Mr. Palagy explained Bid #2024-047, Wildlife Center Quarantine Room Rebid.

Motion by Mr. Redmond to approve Resolution 2024-019, Wildlife Center Quarantine Room Rebid in the amount of \$266,641 including unforeseen conditions to James Martin Contractor Services. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

2024-044



**Bid Opening: September 10, 2024  
2:00 p.m.**

**Penitentiary Glen Wildlife Center Quarantine Room Construction  
2024-047**

	James Martin Contractor Services, LLC
	Perry, OH
Bid Bond/Check	X
Item 1 - Lump Sum Bid	\$242,401.00

7. Vehicle Purchase – Dump Truck – ODOT Contract, Cleveland Freightliner

Mr. Palagyi explained the vehicle purchase using the ODOT Contract from Cleveland Freightliner in the amount of \$139,598.

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to approve the vehicle purchase from Cleveland Freightliner using the ODOT Contract in the amount of \$139,598. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Palagyi said that the erosion wall at Painesville Township Park was completed last week and trail work will start next year.

Mr. Palagyi said that the parks saw a 4.7% increase in visitation in the past year.

Mr. Palagyi thanked staff for a successful Village Peddler weekend. Attendance was around 9,000 people and 250 vendors.

Mr. Palagyi said the new bobcat has been moved outdoors.

Mr. Palagyi said the new drive into Hemlock Ridge is complete and will open in the Spring.

IX. Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Redmond to adjourn to Executive Session at 5:15 pm for the purpose of Union Contract negotiations. Seconded by Mrs. Skok DiSanto. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to adjourn the Executive Session at 5:23 pm. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Skok DiSanto to adjourn the regular meeting at 5:23 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Redmond. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Paul Palagyi, Executive Director

  
Frank J. Polivka, President