

**MUSKINGUM VALLEY PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of Muskingum Valley Park District Commissioners was held in the Volunteer Building at Mission Oaks Gardens. The meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm., by Board President Ty Kendrick.

Mr. Kendrick called roll and Commissioners Ty Kendrick, Ben Appleby, Ed Shaffer, and Cole Ryan, were present. Also present was Executive Director Russ Edgington.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

No guests attended the meeting.

APPROVAL OR AMENDMENT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Mr. Kendrick called for discussion on or revisions to the minutes from the February 14, 2023, regular meeting. On a motion by Mr. Ryan and Second by Mr. Shaffer, the minutes were approved as presented by acclamation.

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND EXPENDITURES:

Mr. Edgington presented board members with a copy of the February 2023 financial statement. After a brief discussion, President Kendrick asked for a motion to approve the statement. On a motion by Mr. Ryan and second by Mr. Shaffer the motion carried by acclamation.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Westview Community Park – Mr. Edgington provided an update on construction and maintenance activities at the park.

Joes’ Run Recreational Trail – Mr. Edgington presented the board with MVPD Board Resolution 23-02 authorizing park district officials to commence and complete annexation proceedings for the annexation of certain park district real estate located in Falls Township to the City of Zanesville. On a motion by Mr. Ryan and second by Mr. Shaffer, the Resolution was approved by acclamation. The Board was also presented with an Expedited Type 2 Annexation Petition to annex real estate to the City of Zanesville. Mr. Kendrick and Mr. Edgington signed the document and will forward it to Zanesville City Schools for their signature.

Meadow Springs Farm – Mr. Edgington provided a summary of his discussion with the Owl Creek Conservancy regarding ongoing discussions with life tenants Mr. and Mrs. Barker. It was noted that the Conservancy exercises control over the entire property including the building sites and must approve any formal action with the Barkers.

Putnam Greenway – Mr. Ryan shared a summary of his discussions with Susan Holdren of the Straker Foundation and representatives from a private enterprise who is interested in purchasing property and developing condominiums on the Greenway. It was noted that Mayor Mason had noted to the group that it would not be in the best interest of the park district to consider such a sale.

Muskingum Recreational Trail – Mr. Edgington provided an update on trail construction plans. It was noted that the district is seeking Appalachian Community Grant Funds for planning assistance with the proposed connection to the City of Zanesville’s Zane’s Landing Trail.

CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND NEW BUSINESS

Master Plan Deliverables – Mr. Edgington provided an update on the master plan deliverables.

Muskingum Valley Park Society - No representative was present from the Park Society.

Appalachian Community Grant Program (ACGP) - Mr. Edgington reported that he will be attending follow-up meetings with OMEGA and Buckeye Hills Regional Council regarding ACGP planning assistance funds for district recreational trails.

Administrative Assistant Updates – Ms. Illing was not present at the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

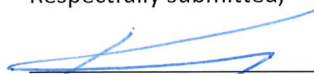
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Kendrick called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On a motion by Mr. Shaffer and second by Mr. Ryan, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 12:56 pm. The next meeting date is April 11, 2023, at 12:00pm.


SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE

It is declared that notification of this meeting and any business conducted therein by the Board of Muskingum Valley Park District Commissioners follows Ohio’s Sunshine Laws.

Respectfully submitted,



Ty Kendrick, President



Russell Edgington, Executive Director