

**Stark County Park District Park Board – Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park, 5712 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Canton, OH 44708**  
**May 4, 2021**  
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**(AGENDA ITEM: 4)**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Stark County Park Commission was called to order by Denise Freeland at 2:03 p.m.

**A. Roll Call of Members:**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

STAFF PRESENT:

Robert A. Fonte, Park Director/Secretary to the Board

Barbara Wells, Financial Manager

Corianne Kocarek, Clerk to the Board

Dani McGuinness, Human Resources Manager

Jared Shive, Public Relations Coordinator

Aimee Engelhart, Marketing Administrator

Parker Spencer, Volunteer Coordinator

Dave Pildner, Education Manager

Rick Summers, Operations Manager

Sarah Buell, Projects & Administration Manager

GUESTS PRESENT:

Susan Smith, Quail Hollow Herb Society

Cherie Parker, Quail Hollow Herb Society

David Waters, Quail Hollow Herb Society

Gerald Schaefer, Quail Hollow Herb Society

**B. Adoption of Agenda**

D. Regula MOVED to adopt the agenda, which was SECONDED by R. Dublikar

**DISCUSSION:**

None

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

D. McGuinness introduced, Parker Spencer the new Volunteer Coordinator for Stark Parks. He grew up in Brunswick, Ohio and holds a bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of Toledo. He worked as an Assistant Horticulturist for Ken-Caryl Metro District, and most recently served as a seasonal employee in our Natural Resources Department.

S. Smith stated that the Quail Hollow Herb Society had concerns with the Herb Garden and the safety, trampling of plants and with deer eating the plants. Smith stated further that the fence around the garden was removed without the permission from the Herb Society.

D. Regula asked for clarification on the height of the fence.

G. Schaefer stated the fence was four feet tall.

R. Summers stated that the fencing that was removed had been in place for about six months and was removed due to being unsightly in the background of photos. R. Summers stated he had called and talked with C. Parker as well as left several messages that the fence needed to be removed.

C. Parker stated she had referred R. Summers to G. Schaefer.

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R. Summers stated that he did talk with G. Schaefer about the fence and had talked further with him about ways to deter the deer.

R. Fonte stated that T. Householder and B. Hunt have both reached out to C. Parker to schedule a meeting and he had not heard back to date.

S. Smith stated that there was a meeting scheduled for tomorrow (Wednesday).

R. Fonte stated further that the Park District wants to be a good partner with the Herb Society and wants the partnership to be a win-win for both parties.

R. Summers stated that G. Schaefer does a really nice job in the garden and his efforts are noticed.

D. Regula asked how long the fence was.

G. Schaefer stated the garden is 130 x 70 feet and the holly is on the eastern side of the garden, the fencing in that section had been there for years and everything including this section was removed and the deer have eaten the holly. Schaefer also expressed safety concerns with the garden being sunken and the Herb Society has concerns with people falling on the sandstone and brick.

R. Fonte stated that particulars can be discussed in the separate meeting that is apparently now scheduled.

R. Dublikar asked what the stated reasoning was for the fencing to be removed.

R. Summers stated that park patrons who were taking photos complained that the fence looked bad in the background of photos.

G. Schaefer further expressed his concerns for not having the near-by bee hive for pollination of the plants in the herb garden.

R. Fonte stated that Chief Laps is our resident bee keeper and we're waiting on another delivery of bees soon. D. Pildner will follow up on when they are set to arrive and report back to the Herb Society.

D. Regula asked how long the Park District had been managing Quail Hollow Park.

R. Fonte stated for just over five years.

D. Regula stated that an operating agreement spelling out each of the party's responsibilities would help in this situation.

R. Fonte stated that an operating agreement is in place and the Park District is currently working on updating the partnership and operating agreements with the Quail Hollow Volunteer Association and the Herb Society.

C. Parker stated the agreement should protect both sides.

D. Freeland thanked the Herb Society for their time and input.

### **3. STAFF PRESENTATION – Aimee Engelhart, Marketing Administration & Jared Shive, Public Relations Coordinator**

A. Engelhart shared the following with the Park Board:

- The Marketing Team consists of A. Engelhart the Marketing Administrator, J. Shive the Public Relations Coordinator and a recently vacated position for the Marketing Assistant
- The top 5 Stark Parks Web Pages and Site Search Terms on StarkParks.com in 2020
- The top 3 Social Media Resources were Facebook, Instagram and YouTube
- The breakdown of paid advertising vs. unpaid advertising
- The Major Campaigns in 2020 were Safe Parks, Safe Parks are Healthy Parks, Hidden Gems and Your Adventure Awaits
- The breakdown of the 2021 marketing budget consists of print, postage, booths, concerts, fees, mail services and advertising
- The Focus for 2021 is keeping users coming back, preservation and conservation
- Future recommendations are to continue evolving to meet the new challenges and stay relevant in this unique time

D. Regula asked if the Park District's marketing department has talked with the local universities and asked them how to reach the future generation(s)?

A. Engelhart stated that we have worked with Universities in other capacities and can explore working with them more

D. Regula asked about partnering with the Hall of Fame

R. Fonte stated that we have made it a goal to be a partner on programs, volunteers and clean-ups

D. Regula asked the Park District sent out news releases to each of the print Medias

A. Engelhart stated that the department typically sends to all of them unless it's specific to one area in the county

• **Reference 36**

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**WHEREAS**, minutes from the April 6, 2021 Regular Park Board meeting have been submitted for review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2021 Regular Park Board meeting as submitted.

B. Bryan MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by P. Quick

**DISCUSSION:**

None

MOTION CARRIED to approve the minutes on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

#### 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

**WHEREAS**, the monthly Financial Report and Summary Financial Report for the period ending March 31, 2021 have been submitted to the Board for review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to approve and accept for audit the Financial Report and Summary Financial Report for the period ending March 21, 2021 as submitted.

R. Dublikar MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by B. Bryan

**DISCUSSION:**

None

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

#### 6. APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND BILLS

**WHEREAS**, copies of payroll and bills for the month of March 2021 were submitted for the Board's review in accordance with Resolution #98-133.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to approve and accept for audit the payroll and bills for March 31, 2021 as submitted.

D. Regula MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by P. Quick

**DISCUSSION:**

B. Bryan asked if AT&T was the main cell phone provider for the Park District.

R. Fonte answered, yes.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

#### 7. OLD BUSINESS

##### A. Informational: Upcoming Events

**DISCUSSION:**

None

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. RESOLUTION: #21-05-034: Public Entities Pool (PEP) House Bill 444 – Employee Honesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Policy

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District in Stark County is a park district created under Chapter 1545 of the Revised Code and a member of the Public Entities Pool (PEP), a political subdivision risk pool established pursuant to O.R.C. 2744.081; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 444 of the 133<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly amended O.R.C 3.061, effective April 12, 2021, authorizes the use of an "employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy," rather than a surety bonds, for

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officers, employees, or appointees of a political subdivision who are otherwise required by law to acquire a bond before entering upon the discharge of duties; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with O.R.C. 3.061, “political subdivision” means a county, township, municipal corporation, school district, community school, park district created under Chapter 1545 of the Revised Code, library or library district specified in O.R.C. 3375.32, juvenile facility district created under O.R.C. 2151.65, or detention facility district created under O.R.C. 2152.41; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with O.R.C. 3.061 “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy” means a policy of insurance, or a coverage document issued by a joint self-insurance pool authorized under O.R.C.2744.081, to protect against losses that would otherwise be protected against under a surety bond and to protect against other losses as determined by the political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, the following shall apply to the policy:

1. An officer, employee, or appointee shall be considered qualified to hold the office or employment, without acquiring a bond, on the date the oath of office is taken, certified, and filed as required by law.
2. An officer, employee, or appointee shall have the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy in effect before the individual’s term of office or employment and the officer, employee or appointee shall not commence the discharge of duties until coverage is documented.
3. All officers, employees, or appointees who would otherwise be required to file a bond before commencing the discharge of duties shall be covered by and are subject to the employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy instead of a surety bond requirement.
4. The coverage amount for an officer, employee, or appointee under an employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy shall be equal to or greater than the maximum amount of the bond otherwise required by law.
5. Elected officials, prior to taking the oath of office and holding office, shall obtain approval of the intent to use the PEP coverage agreement to affirm the public entity’s coverage complies with O.R.C. 3.061. Said approval shall be obtained by the Stark County Park District, in Stark County: and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District, in Stark County’s “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy” through the PEP coverage document complies with ORC 3.061; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that on this 4th day of May, 2021, the STARK COUNTY PARK DISTRICT, in Stark County, Ohio, hereby authorizes the public entity to purchase and use “employee dishonesty and faithful performance of duty policy” through PEP instead of individual surety bonds for officers, employees, and appointees who are otherwise required to acquire a bond before entering upon the discharge of duties.

P. Quick MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by D. Regula

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated this is a change in how we bond in the future.

P. Quick stated and will affect insurance coverage.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**B. RESOLUTION: #21-05-035: Non-Encumbered Expense: Aultman Hospital**

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District experienced multiple rabies related workers compensation claims in August of 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the employee’s Bureau of Workers Compensation (BWC) claims were denied; and

**WHEREAS**, leaving the employees responsible for the following amounts pending additional insurance payments/adjustments

- Employee One: One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00)
- Employee Two: Six Hundred Sixty Five Dollars and Five Cents (\$665.05)
- Employee Three: Ninety Six Dollars and Eight Cents (\$96.08); and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District disagrees with the decision of the BWC and since it was determined by the Stark County Park District to be necessary to send the employees for medical treatment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Park Director recommends the approval of paying the unreimbursed medical expenses of the employees as a moral obligation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize a payment of a non-encumbered expense in the amount not to exceed Nine Hundred and Eleven Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$911.13) for the employee's responsibility.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize the allocation of Nine Hundred and Eleven Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$911.13) from the Project Fund-Unallocated 072.28.0000.65000 for the Non-encumbered expense to 072.28.1000.64102 (Purchased Services-Occupational-Medical).

B. Bryan MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by R. Dublikar

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated that this should be about the last of the expenses from this claim and C. Kocarek indicated there may be one more as for as we know today.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**C. RESOLUTION: #21-05-036: 2021 Staffing Updates**

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners approved the 2021 Budget that included staffing with Resolution #20-12-075; and

**WHEREAS**, the part-time Education Programmer position was a full-time position prior to the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the part-time Education Programmer has resigned; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for reclassifying the part-time Education Programmer position within the Education Department to a full-time Education Programmer position effective as of May 5, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, these recommended changes are within the 2021 Budget that was adopted with Resolution #20-12-075.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, to reclassify the part-time Education Programmer position to a full time Education Programmer position in the Education Department effective as of May 5, 2021.

P. Quick MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by D. Regula

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated that we had a staff member in the education department voluntarily move to part-time status and she has now left the organization and we would like the open position to revert back to full-time status.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**D. RESOLUTION: #21-05-037: NatureWorks Grant Program-Petros Lake Park Restroom**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District desires to provide a restroom at Petros Lake Park; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated the total project cost will be One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Dollars Six Hundred Sixty Six and Sixty Seven Cents (\$167,666.67.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District is requesting One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the grant requires a match of Twenty Five Percent (25%) for a total of Forty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$41,667.67); and

**WHEREAS**, the match funds will be made up of force account labor, materials, and cash.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners that the Stark County Park District is approved to file this application for financial assistance and that the Park Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily completed the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the NatureWorks Grant Program.

B. Bryan MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by R. Dublikar

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated this is an application for adding a modern restroom at Petros Lake Park.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**E. RESOLUTION: #21-05-038: Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund: Natural Resource Advisory Council (NRAC) Accept Grant Award for Walborn Reservoir (formerly Bingham Property) and Fry Family Park**

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park Board of Park Commissioners approved Resolution #21-01-011 authorizing the Park Director to apply for grant funding for restoration and site improvement projects at Walborn Reservoir (formerly Bingham Property) and Fry Family Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the total project costs for restoration and site improvement projects are One Million Two Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Six Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents (\$1,266,666.67); and

**WHEREAS**, the total grant funding awarded for both projects will provide up to Seventy Five (75%) or Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$950,000.00) for the following projects:

- Fry Family Park grant award totals Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000.00) for the reforestation and prairie restoration of one hundred and ten (110) acres of land in accordance with the master plan for this park
- Walborn Reservoir (formerly Bingham Property) grant award totals Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) for prairie restoration, a parking lot, signage and trails; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park District will be responsible for Twenty Five Percent (25%) match or Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Six Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents (\$316,666.67) as required for the grant which will be provided by in-kind labor and donated equipment:

- Fry Family Park match totals Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00)
- Walborn Reservoir match totals One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$116,667.67).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to accept the grant funds and execute the grant agreements with Ohio Public Works Commission for the projects at Fry Family Park and Walborn Reservoir (formerly Bingham Property), in the amount of Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$950,000.00) with a match of Three Hundred Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Sixty Seven Cents (\$316,666.67).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to amend the 2021 Budget by an amount not to exceed Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$950,000.00) for the completion of the restoration and site improvement projects at Walborn Reservoir (formerly Bingham Property) and Fry Family Park.

- **Reference 40**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize the Park Director to enter into a grant agreements with the Ohio Public Works Commission and to sign/execute any paperwork necessary to complete the projects, pending approval by Attorney, William F. Morris for legal form and sufficiency.

P. Quick MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by D. Regula

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated that these grant applications were approved and are for improvements to park lands we already own.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**F. RESOLUTION: #21-05-039: Vehicle Trade-ins**

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Project List & Budget was approved by the Stark County Park District Board of Commissioners by resolution #21-02-015 on February 2, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Operations Departmental Project Budget includes the purchase of new vehicles for the fleet and

**WHEREAS**, the following vehicles are to be traded in:

- #3 – 2014 Ford Taurus (Former k-9 vehicle)
- #6 – 2014 Ford Explorer (Ranger vehicle/pool car)
- #14 – 2018 Ford F-350 (Operations)
- #41 – 2021 Ford Escape (Pool/Education)

are part of Stark County Park District current inventory; and

**WHEREAS**, it is Stark Park Districts desire to keep the cost of new equipment to a minimum.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize Operations Supervisor, Rob Hoover, and Financial Manager, Barb Wells to evaluate the trade-in prices offered by various dealers and recommend to the Director for approval of the lowest and best bid; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize the Director to trade-in and remove the vehicles from our inventory.

B. Bryan MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by D. Regula

**DISCUSSION:**

None

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**G. RESOLUTION: #21-05-040: 2021 Project List & Budget Classification: (Upper) Middle Branch Trail-Faith Bible Church**

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners approved (Upper) Middle Branch Trail-Faith Bible Church as part of the 2021 Project List & Budget in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) with Resolution #21-02-015; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined in order to complete the trail connection to the Middle Branch Trail a real estate or easement purchase needs to be added to the project description.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize the classification for funds to be used from the (Upper) Middle Branch Trail-Faith Bible Church to also include a real estate or easement purchase; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize Robert A. Fonte, Park Director, to sign/execute the necessary paperwork to complete said revised project at Faith Bible Church.

B. Bryan MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by P. Quick

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated that the Park District has been working on this project for a number of years to connect to the Lexington Farms Development.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**H. RESOLUTION: #21-05-041: Creating Healthy Communities (CHC) Grant Acceptance**

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Combined General Health District was awarded the FY21 Creating Healthy Communities Grant (CHC), under the Ohio Department of Health (ODH); and

**WHEREAS**, the Stark County Park District “Stark Parks” supported the application to the Creating Healthy Communities Grant for an increase in trail improvements in Stark County. Stark Parks is committed to improving the trail user experience and desires to purchase trail counter equipment to gather reliable trail user data; and

**WHEREAS**, the CHC Grant Program requires a work plan attached as Exhibit A and includes the strategies including the following projects: complete the Iron Horse Trail upgrade along Ridgewood Ave. and Maplewood Dr., complete the Towpath Trail upgrade in frequently washed out sections, to purchase Trail Counters to assist in trail data collection, and complete the Quarterly Data Collection; and

**WHEREAS**, Stark Parks is eligible to receive One Hundred Percent (100%) reimbursement for up to Thirty Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000.00) as a result of completing the CHC work plan strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, Stark Parks needs to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Stark County Combined General Health District as attached in Exhibit B.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to amend the 2021 Budget by an amount not to exceed Thirty Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000.00) for the completion of the CHC Grant Program work plan attached as Exhibit A.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Stark County Park District Board of Park Commissioners to authorize the Park Director to provide all information and documentation required to execute the Memorandum of Agreement attached as Exhibit B, and agrees to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed projects and accept the reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the CHC Grant Program.

P. Quick MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by R. Dublikar

**DISCUSSION:**

R. Fonte stated that the Park District is partnering with the Stark County Health Department on a healthy communities project to improve some identified trail surfaces and purchase trail counters.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**9. DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

- Director’s Report
  - R. Fonte passed out some of the public information requests and responses the Park District has recently received.
  - R. Fonte passed out the Operations Department report on hand-dryers
    - R. Summers expanded on the document and stated that the Park District’s permanent restrooms require either hand dryers or paper towels. We recommend hand dryers because our restrooms are typically unmonitored and falls into our environmental stance.

• **Reference 42**



- D. Regula stated that the germs do not go away. The Akron Canton Airport was selected as TSA's Airport of the year due to their cleanliness. He stated the Park District should consider paper towels in selected locations. He does understand the reasoning out in the field.
- R. Summers stated that unsupervised/unmonitored locations should be hand dryers.
- R. Fonte handed out some notes regarding a recent meeting held internally regarding the Quail Hollow Herb Society and stated further that the Park District staff are working on updating the partnership and annual operating plans with the Quail Hollow Volunteer Association as well as the Quail Hollow Herb Society.
- R. Fonte stated the B. Wells oversaw the renewal of the liquor license and has planned out the next activity at Tam O'Shanter Park. We also continue to work on the land swap project with Natural Resources Advisory Council (NRAC). The Park District understands that this process should not be an easy one.
- D. Freeland asked when the next NRAC meeting was scheduled.
- R. Fonte stated that it is yet to be scheduled.

## 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BE IT RESOLVED**, to adjourn into Executive Session at 3:32 p.m. to discuss compensation of a public employee and prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment pursuant to division (G)(4) of this section of the ORC.

B. Bryan moved to adopt this motion, which was SECONDED by D. Regula

MOTION CARRIED on a roll call vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Pat Quick, Ralph Dublikar, David Regula

## 11. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BE IT RESOLVED** to reconvene to Regular Session at 4:44 p.m.

D. Regula MOVED to adopt this resolution, which was SECONDED by R. Dublikar

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Pat Quick, Ralph Dublikar, David Regula

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**BE IT RESOLVED** to adjourn at 4:45 p.m. Next scheduled meeting: June 1, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at the Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park.

P. Quick MOVED to adjourn the meeting, which was SECONDED by D. Regula.

MOTION CARRIED on a vote as follows:

Voting Aye: Denise Freeland, Bill Bryan, Ralph Dublikar, Pat Quick, David Regula

**APPROVAL DATE:** June 1, 2021

ATTEST:

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Denise Freeland, Chairperson  
Stark County Park Commission

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Robert A. Fonte, Director/Secretary to the Board  
Stark County Park District

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Corianne Kocarek/Clerk to the Board  
Stark County Park District

• **Reference 43**