MINUTES – REGULAR SESSION  
Board of Park Commissioners & Governing Board of the 
LORAIN COUNTY METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

Date: Thursday, May 21, 2015  
Time: 11:10 a.m.  
Place: Carlisle Visitor & Administrative Center  
Present: 
Commissioners: Frederick L. Alspach, Chairman  
Sherrill M. McLoda, Vice-Chairman (arrived 11:15 a.m.)  
Joseph E. Hribar  
Legal Counsel: Dennis M. O’Toole  
Director/Secretary: James E. Ziemnik  
Park Staff:  
Planning Supervisor Donald A. Kasych  
Assistant Director Jennifer Bracken  
Operations Supervisor/Chief Ranger Paul J. Hruby, Jr.  
Administrative Svcs. Mgr./Treasurer Bonnie J. Burns  
Naturalist Supervisor Grant M. Thompson  
Public Information Officer Vanessa Klesta  
Secretary Joani Longbrake  
GIS/IT Manager Isaac Smith

OPENING OF MEETING

Roll call by Director/Secretary: Frederick L. Alspach – Aye  
Joseph E. Hribar – Aye

Chairman Alspach declared a quorum present and opened the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Approval of the minutes of the April 16, 2015 Regular Session. The minutes were distributed prior to the meeting, enabling the commissioners to read them in advance. Commissioner Hribar motioned and Commissioner Alspach seconded the motion for approval; motion passed favorably by a majority 21st day of May, 2015.

B. The Director/Secretary advised the Board of the Statement of Accounts.

C. **Resolution 2015-30.** Payment of accounts payable. Motion by Commissioner Alspach for adoption of Resolution for payment of line items on the Cash Disbursements Journal for the period of April 1 to April 30, 2015 and the Aged Payables reports dated April 30 and May 20, 2015; and ratification of payments on Exhibit A; seconded by Commissioner Hribar. The Chairman then called for the individual line item votes of the Commissioners to be approved for payment by at least a majority of the Commissioners, and be certified by the Treasurer and Secretary of the Board of Park Commissioners for issuance of checks for payment. The line item votes of the Commissioners were cast as follows:

Commissioner Alspach: Affirmative for all line items on the Cash Disbursements Journal for the period of April 1 to April 30, 2015 and the Aged Payables reports dated April 30 and May 20, 2015 and affirmative for ratification of payments on Exhibit A.

Commissioner Hribar: Affirmative for all line items on the Cash Disbursements Journal for the period of April 1 to April 30, 2015 and the Aged Payables reports dated April 30 and May 20, 2015 and affirmative for ratification of payments on Exhibit A.

RESOLUTION 2015-30:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Lorain County Metropolitan Park District, that we deem it necessary and in the best public interest to ratify the payments on Exhibit A and to direct and authorize the issuance of checks for payment of all line items on the Cash Disbursements Journal for the period of April 1
to April 30, 2015 and the Aged Payables Reports dated April 30 and May 20, 2015, as approved for payment by vote of at least a majority of the Board of Park Commissioners. The Cash Disbursements Journal, Aged Payables reports, Exhibit A, and the commissioners’ votes are hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting on May 21, 2015.

Frederick L. Alspach – Aye
Joseph E. Hribar – Aye

ATTEST____________________________ APPROVED_________________________
James E. Ziemnik, Director/Secretary Frederick L. Alspach, Chairman

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Resolution 2015-31.** The Board of Park Commissioners opened the hearing on the Tentative 2016 Budget, elicited comments from the public, and declared that the public meeting has been held; motioned by Commissioner Hribar, seconded by Commissioner Alspach, passed favorably by a majority this 21st day of May, 2015.

**RESOLUTION 2015-31:**
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Lorain County Metropolitan Park District, that we deem it necessary and in the best public interest to open the hearing on the Tentative 2016 Budget, elicit comments from the public, and declare that the public meeting has been held.

ATTEST____________________________ APPROVED_________________________
James E. Ziemnik, Director/Secretary Frederick L. Alspach, Chairman

B. **Resolution 2015-32.** The Board of Park Commissioners authorized the Director/Secretary to enter into agreements with local schools and entities such as the Lorain County Joint Vocational School for employment of summer interns, all with the approval of legal counsel as to form; motioned by Commissioner Alspach, seconded by Commissioner Hribar, passed favorably by a majority this 21st day of May, 2015.

**RESOLUTION 2015-32:**
BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Lorain County Metropolitan Park District, that we deem it necessary and in the best public interest to authorize the Director/Secretary to enter into agreements with local schools and entities such as the Lorain County Joint Vocational School for employment of summer interns, all with the approval of legal counsel as to form.

ATTEST____________________________ APPROVED_________________________
James E. Ziemnik, Director/Secretary Frederick L. Alspach, Chairman

Note: Vice-Chairman Sherrill M. McLoda arrived (11:15 a.m.).

C. Reports, requests and comments of the Director/Secretary

D. Questions, requests and comments from the Commissioners to the Management

E. Questions, requests and comments from the public to the Commissioners and to the Management

F. Reports, requests and comments of Legal Counsel

G. Commissioner Hribar motioned and Commissioner McLoda seconded the motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 11:40 a.m. for the purpose of discussing litigation and land acquisition in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (1) through (6).

Frederick L. Alspach – Aye
Sherrill M. McLoda – Aye
Joseph E. Hribar – Aye

The motion passed unanimously.
H. Commissioner McLoda motioned and Commissioner Hribar seconded the motion to adjourn from Executive Session at 11:57 a.m. and return to Regular Session

Frederick L. Alspach – Aye
Sherrill M. McLoda – Aye
Joseph E. Hribar – Aye

The motion passed unanimously. No action was taken in Executive Session.

I. There being no further old or new business, the Chairman entertained a motion for adjournment. Commissioner McLoda motioned and Commissioner Alspach seconded the motion for adjournment. There being no objections or dissenting votes, the meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

ATTEST ______________________________ APPROVED ____________________________
James E. Ziemnik, Director/Secretary Frederick L. Alspach, Chairman