



## Agenda for Working Meeting of the Park District of Ottawa County

Date: 05/1/2020

Time: 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order by Gary Kohli
2. Roll Call
  - a. Gary Kohli – Chairman Present - Y
  - b. Angela LeForce – Secretary Present - Y
  - c. Mike Shadoan – Treasurer Not present
  - d. Judy Indorf Present - Y
  - e. Jack Madison Present - Y
  - f. Others:
    - i. Linda Amos Present - Y
    - ii. Denny Patthoff Present - Y
3. Minutes for approval:  
April 17, 2020 Minutes not ready for approval – move to May 15, 2020 meeting
4. Fiscal Report: None
5. Approval or Disapproval of Expenditures: No expenditures or receipts
6. Departmental Reports:
  - a. Friends of The Ottawa Co. Park District (FoOCPD):
    - i. Denny reported that Neil Munger from Wood County Parks has not received anything from WE Realty yet
    - ii. Valerie Winfield resigned from the Friends of Ottawa County X role and Charles Rasko agreed to replace her
    - iii. Discussed ownership of the trail through Genoa – Gary is discussing this with the Ottawa County Commissioners and will work to obtain a Memorandum of Agreement through the Prosecutor on ownership
    - iv. Gary talked to the Ottawa County Engineer regarding the opportunity to incorporate a bike lane in the ODOT widening project of Rt 53 between Rt 2 and Rt 163; the County Engineer will contact ODOT to discuss this opportunity
    - v. Denny and Charles Rasko will continue to engage with Lafarge on the Danbury Twp. portion of the trail
    - vi. The Trust for Public Lands is predominantly interested in large projects; their Washington DC office reached out to Dennis to obtain information on the land at the end of Rt 269 which is currently for sale;
  - b. Trail Project: Steering Committee Meeting TBA
  - c. Magsig Farm: next step to contact ODOT; Has LJ Overmeyer sent Mike the sketches/ideas of the barn, existing entrance, parking and new building ideas he indicated he had in his April 23 email? No update
  - d. OPRA: Are there any telecons or other meetings scheduled?
  - e. Portage River Water Trail: the grant for the kayak accessway is on hold
  - f. Portage Plan for Catawba/Portage Trail: No update
  - g. North Coast Scenic Inland Trail/Genoa/Millbury:
    - i. Mayor Bergman communicated that the Genoa Council stated a willingness to provide funds for the appraisal portion of the purchase of the Norfolk and Southern property to facilitate the Genoa to Millbury trail if a suitable annexation agreement is put before them and approved.
      1. Next step to create a draft annexation agreement? Whose action?
    - ii. Update on title search questions for section from Genoa to Millbury? No update
    - iii. Update on appraisal and review for section from Genoa to Millbury? Awaiting appraisal cost estimates
  - h. Danbury/Lafarge: Noted above

i. Tax Levy Campaign-

- i. Judy Indorf motioned and Jack Madison seconded, to approve the Resolution of Necessity for a 0.6 mil levy to be placed on the November 3, 2020 ballot. This is the third reading of the Resolution of Necessity in front of the Ottawa County Park District board. The resolution was voted on with the following results:

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| 1. Gary Kohli     | Yes |
| 2. Judy Indorf    | Yes |
| 3. Jack Madison   | Yes |
| 4. Angela LeForce | Yes |

Gary will take this third Resolution of Necessity to the County Auditor before Aug 5, 2020.

- ii. Discussed way forward using Linda's email regarding the levy as a starting point for the discussion  
iii. If we are interested in working with TPL, TPL needs a letter from OCPD requesting technical assistance from the Trust for Public Lands and The Nature Conservancy; example attached



Ottawa County, OH  
Draft TA letter.doc

We will discuss working with TPL at the Levy Committee meeting before making a decision.

- iv. Gary, Linda and I had a telecon with Amy Moore, Executive Director for Erie Metroparks on April 23, 2020; a number of suggestions/ideas were communicated:
1. Role their PAC plays
  2. Erie MetroParks partners with the groups that use the parks and often receive funding from them; these groups are permitted to give up to 20% of their annual expenses to a PAC
  3. Request other community organizations post their support of our levy on their Facebook pages, e.g. the Rotary
  4. Request community members to write letters/articles to the newspapers supporting our levy
  5. Census.gov has a demographic website that we may find useful
  6. Suggests we connect with Lori Tottman from Knox County as they just passed a first time levy for their parks – initiated contact
  7. Suggested Beki Hineline who now lives in Oak Harbor would be a great resource. She was the Marketing Manager for Erie Metroparks.

A levy committee will begin meeting with the following members:

1. Gary Kohli
2. Judy Indorf
3. Linda Amos
4. Beki Hineline
5. Becky Quisno
6. Annie Quisno

We will meet Thursday May 7, 2020 at the Courthouse. Note: The Levy Meeting was later changed to a video conference.

7. Unfinished Business: Agree meeting notification protocol;

- a. Can we create a website or Facebook page for the Ottawa County Park District? The link can be on the left side menu of the Ottawa County website, named "Park District"
- i. Identify a resource to create either a website or Facebook page

ii. Do we need to pass a resolution changing our meeting notification protocol?

Noted that if we create a Facebook page we need to identify someone to monitor and respond when appropriate to the comments.

8. New Business:

- Confirm we are on the "list" to receive the ODOT money, \$10k
- Are any OPRA telecons scheduled?

9. Adjournment:

- a. Jack Madison motioned that this meeting be adjourned
- b. Judy Indorf seconded the motion

Next working meeting will be **May 15, 2020**

Next regular meeting will be **June 5, 2020**

1st Friday= regular meetings  
Room 109 Telephone 734-6762.

3rd Friday=working meetings  
\*Denotes Action Item