



Hancock Park District

HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS Public Meeting Notice and Agenda

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015
Location: Richard S. "Doc" Phillips Discovery Center at Oakwoods Nature Preserve
Time: 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated October 13, 2015

Financial Status

1. Review of Financial Statement dated October 31, 2015

Old Business

1. Request to approve the elimination of the Medical Reimbursement Plan

New Business

1. Request to approve the Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal Rates
2. Request to approve a conservation easement at the Hancock County landfill
3. Request to approve the Instrument of Transfer associated with the Hancock Park District Blanchard River Greenway Trail Fund of the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation
4. Request to approve Resolution 2015-14 regarding the use of a monetary donation in the amount of \$332,402.00 for the development of the Blanchard River Greenway Trail
5. Request to approve the 2015 Community Park Improvement Program Grant Recommendation
6. Presentation of the Hancock Park District's Proposed 2016 Budget

Discussion

1. Park District Report:
 - Director
 - Park Operations Manager
 - Naturalist
 - Marketing Manager

Public Input

1. Hancock Parks Foundation Board of Trustees Report:
 - President
2. Other

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 3:30 p.m.

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HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
Staff Report / Agenda Supplement
November 10, 2015

Request to approve the elimination of the Medical Reimbursement Plan: At the October 14, 2014 meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners, the Board tabled a request to eliminate the Medical Reimbursement Plan. At this point, there is no interest in eliminating the Medical Reimbursement Plan. Therefore, the Board should take the appropriate action to dispense with this Old Business item.

An alternative to the financial issue that the Medical Reimbursement Plan raises due to its relatively high cost is to decrease the amount of this particular line item in the 2016 budget from \$15,000 to \$5,000. Historical data and need suggests that \$5,000 is enough. In the event that requests exceed \$5,000, a resolution asking for an additional appropriation will be presented to the Board.

Request to approve the Property & Casualty Insurance Renewal Rates: Representatives from Hitchings Insurance will be at the meeting to present the Ohio Plan Package Proposal. The total annual premium is \$33,431.00 (see Ohio Plan Package Proposal).

Request to approve a conservation easement at the Hancock County landfill: On behalf of the Hancock County Commissioners, project manager, Steve Wilson has asked if the Hancock Park District would hold a conservation easement for the wetlands at the Hancock County landfill:

“Several years ago the Landfill constructed a wetland to provide mitigation for future Landfill projects that may impact other wetland areas on the site. We have been working with the EPA on a project that will impact a small wetland and want to use our constructed wetland as mitigation. However, in order to do that, we need to place the wetland in a conservation easement that is controlled by a government entity.” “The purpose of the easement is to give some assurance to the EPA that if the EPA grants the designation of a wetland bank for the area in question, there will be more than one set of eyes ensuring the wetland is maintained as a wetland.”

Request to approve the Instrument of Transfer associated with the Hancock Park District Blanchard River Greenway Trail Fund of the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation: Earlier in the year, the Hancock Park District was named the recipient of a monetary donation in the amount of \$332,402.00. Before the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation can disburse funds to the Hancock Park District, an Instrument of Transfer must be approved by the Board (see Instrument of Transfer).

Request to approve Resolution 2015-14 regarding the use of a monetary donation in the amount of \$332,402.00 for the development of the Blanchard River Greenway Trail: Consistent with the terms of section 2. General Purpose of the Instrument of Transfer and the donor’s wishes as outlined in the Letter of Instructions, a resolution from the Board of Park Commissioners regarding the use of a monetary donation for the development of the Blanchard River Greenway Trail is required before the Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation can disburse funds to the Hancock Park District (see Resolution 2015-14).

Request to approve the 2015 Community Park Improvement Program Grant Recommendation: The purpose of the Hancock Park District’s Community Park Improvement Program Grant is to enable the Hancock Park District and authorized political subdivisions in Hancock County to work in partnership toward enhancing outdoor recreation opportunities, keeping existing community parks in good condition, and making improvements based on community need. The Grants Review Team consists of representatives designated by the managing board from each entity making a grant request. Representatives met with Hancock Park District officials on Thursday, October 22, 2015 to review grant applications and select projects for funding. The maximum allocation in 2015 is \$96,000.00 (see Allocation Summary & Recommendation).

Presentation of the Hancock Park District’s 2016 Budget: The 2016 budget proposes income and expenses in the amount of \$1,493,528.70. Additional information will be presented at the meeting (see 2016 Budget).