



Hancock Park District

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

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025
Location: Brugeman Lodge at Riverbend Recreation Area
9250 Township Road 208, Findlay, Ohio 45840
Time: 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes dated January 14, 2025

Financial Status

1. Review of the Financial Statement dated January 31, 2025, presented by Hancock Park District Business Manager Vicky Stozich

Old Business

New Business

1. Request to approve Resolution 2025-02 regarding additional appropriation within the auditor's certification and park commissioners to appropriate in the general fund in the amount of \$360,500.00 for the Oxbow Bend Activity Area Improvement Project
2. 2024-2025 Hunting with Permission Game Management Program Update

Discussion

1. Hancock Park District Report:
 - Director – Gary Pruitt
 - Park Operations Manager – Scott Egbert
 - Naturalist – Michelle Rumschlag
 - Natural Resource Manager – Chad Carroll

Public Input

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 3:30 p.m.; Brugeman Lodge at Riverbend Recreation Area

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Staff Report/Agenda Supplement
February 11, 2025

Request to approve Resolution 2025-02 regarding additional appropriation within the auditor's certification and park commissioners to appropriate in the general fund in the amount of \$360,500.00 for the Oxbow Bend Activity Area Improvement Project: On January 14, 2025, the Hancock Parks Foundation Board of Trustees approved Hancock Park District funding requests in the amount of \$360,500.00 for the Oxbow Bend Activity Area Improvement Project. By approving Resolution 2025-02, money will be appropriated to a special project fund (see Resolution 2025-02).

2024-2025 Hunting with Permission Game Management Program Update: Natural Resource Manager Chad Carroll will be at the meeting to provide an update on the Hancock Park District's 2024-2025 Hunting with Permission Game Management Program.

HANCOCK PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2025

The February 11, 2025 meeting of the Hancock Park District Board of Park Commissioners was held at Brugeman Lodge in Riverbend Recreation Area.

Park Commissioners Present: Ed Ingold, Rick Kidwell
Park Commissioner Absent: Scott Younger
Staff Present: Gary Pruitt, Vicky Stozich, Scott Egbert, Michelle Rumschlag, Chad Carroll

The meeting was called to order by Ed Ingold at 3:28 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Rick Kidwell with a second by Ed Ingold to approve Meeting Minutes dated January 14, 2025. Motion carried by a 2-0 vote.

FINANCIAL STATUS

Income and expense reports year to date January 31, 2025 were reviewed by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Request to approve Resolution 2025-02 regarding additional appropriation within the auditor's certification and park commissioners to appropriate in the general fund in the amount of \$360,500.00 for the Oxbow Bend Activity Area Improvement Project: A motion was made by Ed Ingold with a second by Rick Kidwell to approve Resolution 2025-02. Motion carried by a 2-0 vote.

2024-2025 Hunting with Permission Game Management Program Update: Thirty-five hunting permits were issued. Twenty-seven hunting permits were used. There were 87 visits. Five deer (including three does and two bucks) and 12 squirrels were taken. Six out of 27 hunters took an animal.

DISCUSSION

Hancock Park District Report:

Letters were sent to the Hancock County Board of Commissioners and Findlay Mayor Christina Muryn regarding courthouse maintenance and Riverwalk maintenance, respectively. A discussion about Riverwalk maintenance might occur at the next meeting of the Findlay Park and Recreation Board, since an update on the downtown park is planned.

The Ohio Parks and Recreation Association (OPRA) is strong. Many records were broken this year, including memberships, conference attendance, sponsorships, and trade show vendors. The OPRA President notified park districts in Ohio that a bill with several names attached aims to eliminate replacement levies.

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Work to remove dead trees, suckers, and invasive plants at Cooper Pond is underway. A meeting with the Marion Township Trustees was held to discuss tile issues at Riverbend Recreation Area.

The puppet show was held last week. It went well with 300 people in attendance. March programs have been advertised. Programs for April and May are scheduled to be publicized this week. Summer Camps will be publicized by March 1.

Prairie burn permits are ready to go. The burning of 60 acres includes areas at Litzenberg Memorial Woods (50 acres), Oakwoods Nature Preserve, and Riverbend Recreation Area.

PUBLIC INPUT

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Meeting Minutes approved:

Edward D. Ingold, Chairperson

Gary E. Pruitt, Director/Secretary

Date

Date