



Minutes of the Board Meeting

Monday, May 9, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:29 p.m.

Voting Members Present: Bob Becker, Howard Gibson, John Higgins, Rick Moore, Michael Plaska, John Resseguie, Mike Snyder, Bob Spaulding, Sharon Zebrowski

Absent: Daryl Cheeseman (arrived at 6:50 p.m.), Julie Guenther, Jim Halliwill, Doris Lee Hale

Staff Present: Dan Patton & Stacey Graham

General Public Present: None

Approval of Agenda: Resseguie moved approval of the May 9, 2016 agenda and Higgins seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes: Snyder moved to approve the Board meeting minutes of April 11, 2016 and Resseguie seconded. Motion carried.

Limited Public Comment: Spaulding noted questions in the community with the upcoming Park Millage.

Committee Reports & Updates:

Park Update: Patton updated the Board on recent Park activities. Seasonal flooding continues between the beach and the boat launch at the Park. The BEDHD will be monitoring the public swimming beach for water quality this summer. Vendor wells are open and have passed lab inspection. Access for disabled persons via ramp to the first floor of the Bristol Inn has been constructed. The Exhibition Hall has been cleared of non-collection items and a storage closet will be built.

Education & Collections Committee: Zebrowski reported the committee met on April 20 to review ideas for the expansion of education programs, noting the theme of "Love Your Park".

Two Park staff members, one board member and one volunteer made a site visit on May 6 to Heritage Park in Whitehall. The Park has 14 paid part-time interpreters and is funded with tax dollars, donations and an endowment and has a \$300,000 annual budget.

Facilities & Properties Committee: Cheeseman reported the committee met on April 26 to review monthly tracking reports.

Executive Committee: Moore reported that the committee met on May 4.

Old Business:

Charlton Park Day: Graham was excited to report that \$2,800 of the \$3,300 fundraising goal has been met. She has pledges for \$300 additional, leaving a \$200 balance. Volunteers are still needed to staff the exhibition hall and museum and serve food. Contact her if interested in signing up.

2016 Park Millage: Patton distributed two Millage fact sheets which were created with the Executive Committee for public distribution. Contact Graham with 24 hours' notice to place large copy orders for pick up or delivery. Copies will be in the buildings during events and can be obtained electronically on the Park's website and Facebook page.

Cheeseman joined the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

New Business:

Event Proposal, Motorcycle Show: Plaska would like to produce a motorcycle show at the Park on Sunday, August 21. Discussion on how this event relates to the mission of the Park. He is proposing a \$10.00 per bike registration fee. 100-150 bikes are expected the first year. Plaska will develop marketing materials. The event will be held rain or shine. Music and comedy is also planned. Moore will donate his stage, if notified in advance. Resseguie motioned to approve the Park hosting the motorcycle show produced by Plaska and Cheeseman seconded. Motion carried.

Demolition of Former Maintenance Facility: Pitsch Companies submitted a quote in the amount \$13,250 for demolition of the former maintenance shop. Gibson motioned to accept Pitsch's bid with funding coming from the Park's contingency fund and Resseguie seconded. Moore requested a roll call vote:

YES: Becker, Cheeseman, Gibson, Higgins, Moore, Plaska, Resseguie, Snyder, Spaulding, Zebrowski

NO: None

ABSENT: Guenther, Hale, Halliwill

Motion carried.

Electrical Upgrades at Walnut Grove: Patton presented information relative to upgrading the electrical service to 400 amp in Walnut Grove. He estimated expenditures of \$7,000 maximum out of the Park's contingency fund to provide an underground feed from the transformer at the church to the restrooms, camping, and vending at Walnut Grove. Patton noted the balance of the Park's contingency fund is approximately \$70,000. Becker asked if additional Park projects may be called upon for funds. Gibson motioned to spend up to \$7,000 from the contingency fund to upgrade electrical service in Walnut Grove and Resseguie seconded. Moore requested a roll call vote:

YES: Becker, Cheeseman, Gibson, Higgins, Moore, Plaska, Resseguie, Snyder, Spaulding, Zebrowski

NO: None

ABSENT: Guenther, Hale, Halliwill

Motion carried.

Patton notified the Board that bids will be advertised in the local paper for replacement of the roof on the Farmhouse Barn.

Gibson made the motion to adjourn, Resseguie supported. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 13, 2016 at the Upjohn House at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Patton

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