

**Minutes  
Public Hearing  
Trust Fund/Land and Water Conservation Fund Applications  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority  
Thursday, March 12, 2020**

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The Public Hearing of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners for Trust Fund/Land and Water Conservation Fund Applications was held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at the Administrative Office, 13000 High Ridge Drive, Brighton, MI 48114. The hearing convened in pursuance to a legal notice placed in the Detroit Free Press and Detroit News.

Commissioners Present:	Robert W. Marans Bernard Parker Kurt Heise Jaye Quadrozzi John P. Rea Steve Williams
Staff Leadership:	
Director	Amy McMillan
Deputy Director	David Kirbach
Chief of Finance	Rebecca Franchock
Absent:	
Commissioner	Timothy J. McCarthy

**1. Call or Order**

Chairman Marans called the March 12, 2020, Public Hearing to order at 10:32 am.

**2. Chairman's Statement**

None.

**3. Motion to Open Public Hearing**

Motion by Commissioner Heise, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners' open the public hearing on Trust Fund/Land and Water Conservation Fund Applications.

Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Grant Applications Overview**

Nina Kelly, chief of planning and development, updated the Board on four projects at Lower Huron and Dexter-Huron Metroparks.

*a. Lower Huron Metropark*

**1. Iron Belle Trail Segment, MNRTF**

Ms. Kelly reviewed the grant request, funding requirements and said the project included standard trail maintenance.

**2. Campground Improvements, MNRTF and LWCF**

Ms. Kelly said the applications for campground improvements were being submitted through both the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and the Land and Water Conservation Fund and that the Metroparks also received grant funding through the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation. She reviewed

campground improvements including adding ADA compliant sites, Wi-Fi connectivity and reducing pavement areas. Ms. Kelly also reviewed the campground site location, camping and urban camping data.

3. Off-Leash Dog Area, LWCF

Ms. Kelly said the off-leash dog area would be located on the former Par 3 golf course and is currently being used for passive use. She said the area would be visible from the road, which will help with marketing. She said staff recommends demolishing the golf building and building a small restroom.

b. *Dexter-Huron Metropark*

1. Accessibility Improvements, MNRTF

Ms. Kelly said accessibility improvements included downstream take out access, installing a new launch system while retaining the current building. Skip's Canoe Livery and the Huron Watershed Council both sent letters of support for the project.

Commissioner Parker asked if there are plans to charge people to use the dog park. Ms. Kelly said no.

Commissioner Heise asked if the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation would be giving out smaller grants. Ms. Kelly said she was not sure.

Commissioner Quadrozzi asked what a pull through was. Ms. Kelly explained a pull through system allows for a canoe or kayaker to pull through one side and exist on the opposite side.

**5. Public Participation**

Commissioner Marans said he received an email from Toni Spears and that Ms. Spears wanted to thank Nina and all of the Metroparks staff for the plans and MNRTF fund applications.

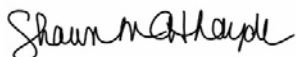
**6. Motion to Close Public Hearing**

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' close the public hearing on Trust Fund/Land and Water Conservation Fund Applications.

Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn Athayde  
Recording Secretary