

Minutes
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Board of Commissioners
Thursday, August 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at Lake St. Clair Metropark in the Thomas Welsh Activity Center and via Zoom for public participation.

Commissioners Present:

Bernard Parker
John Paul Rea
Tiffany Taylor
Bill Bolin

Staff Officers Present:

Director	Amy McMillan
Deputy Director	Michael Lyons
Chief of Finance	Shedreka Miller

Others:

Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone	Steve Mann
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Absent:

Commissioner	Jaye Quadrozzi
Commissioner	Robert W. Marans
Commissioner	Stephen Pontoni

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Parker called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

2. Chairperson's Statement

Commissioner Parker said he needed to leave the meeting at 1:15pm and the agenda would be adjusted so there was a quorum.

3. Public Participation

None

4. Approval – July 14, 2022 Regular meeting minutes

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Taylor that the Board of Commissioners approve the meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval – August 11, 2022 Full Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Taylor that the Board of Commissioners approve the August 11, 2022 full agenda as amended.

Discussion: Director McMillan requested the following changes to the agenda in order to maintain a quorum:

- 7-A-1: Monthly Financial Review – move to consent
- 7-A-2: Audit Services Contract extension – move to consent
- 7-C-1-5: Departmental Updates – move to consent
- 7-D-1: Dexter-Huron/Delhi Master Plan Update – move to September meeting
- 7-D-2: Huron Meadows Master Plan Update – move to September meeting
- 7-E-1: Bids – Park Entrance Road Reconstruction, Lake St. Clair – move to consent

Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Approval – August 11, 2022 Consent Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Taylor that the Board of Commissioners approve the August 11, 2022 consent agenda as amended.

- a. Approval – July 2022 Financial Statements
- b. Approval – July 2022 Appropriation Adjustments
- c. Report – Capital Project Fund Update
- d. Report – Major Maintenance Update
- e. Bids – Restriping Park Roads/Hike-Bike Paths/Crosswalks, Stony Creek Metropark
- f. Purchases
 - 1. Report – Purchases over \$10,000
 - 2. Total Spend and Vendor Location
- g. Report – Monthly Financial Review
- h. Approval – Audit Services Contract Extension
- i. Report – Natural Resources Update
- j. Report – Planning and Development Update
- k. Report – Interpretive Services Update
- l. Report – DEI Update
- m. Report – Marketing Update
- n. Approval – Flat Rock Water Main Easement/Lease Agreement
- o. Bids – Park Entrance Road Reconstruction, Lake St. Clair

Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

7. **Reports**

B. Administrative Office

2. Approval – Capital Equipment List

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Taylor that the Board of Commissioners (1) approve the proposed Capital Equipment List; and (2) authorize staff to order equipment as soon as possible as recommended by Director Amy McMillan, Deputy Director Mike Lyons and Chief of Finance Shedreka Miller and staff.

Discussion: Director McMillan updated the Board and said typically the Capital Equipment list would go to the Board for approval during the budget process. However, due to time constraints and supply chain issues, staff was bringing the list to the Board for approval early this year.

Chief of Finance Shedreka Miller said the 2022 budget would need to be amended to make the purchases in 2022 and then the 2023 budget would be amended next year once the items are paid for.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Leadership Update**

a. Chemical Spill

Ms. McMillan updated the Board on the chemical spill that occurred at the end of July/early August. She said staff had daily calls with EGLE and were receiving updates from MDHHS. She said EGLE is highly confident that the chemical is being treated at the Wixom wastewater treatment plant and that only approximately 20 pounds made it into the water supply. Ms. McMillan also said staff was having ongoing conversations regarding water testing and that she has a high degree of optimism that the Metroparks are protecting the natural resources and the general public. In addition, she said both EGLE and DHHS are discussing lifting the ban.

Commissioner Parker asked what was closed. Ms. McMillan said both beaches and the boat rental facility at Kensington were closed.

Commissioner Rea asked how conversations were going for the swim season this year and next year. Ms. McMillan said conversations were ongoing.

b. Swim Videos

Chief of Marketing and Communications Danielle Mauter showed a short video created for the swim program and how the learn to swim program as impacted area families.

7. Reports

B. Administrative Office

1. Employee Recognition

a. 2022 Retirees

Ms. McMillan recognized the 2022 retirees:

- Leo Francis, Police Officer, Lake St. Clair
- Chuck Broderick, Park Maintenance Specialist, Hudson Mills
- Dwayne Perkins, Park Maintenance Specialist, Hudson Mills
- Mike DeGroote, Park Maintenance Supervisor, Lake St. Clair
- Dave Juchartz, District Maintenance Manager, Southern District
- Dan Boyer, Natural Resources General Supervisor, Natural Resources Crew
- Rick Garrison, Park Maintenance Specialist, Lake Erie
- James Standal, Police Officer, Wolcott Mill
- Scott Davis, Engineering Tech, Administrative Office
- Dermot Heaney, Police Officer, Hudson Mills
- Steve Binkowski, Police Officer, Stony Creek
- Jeff Brown, Western District Superintendent
- Mike Shields, Natural Resources Specialist
- Jeff Schuman, Park Operations Manager, Southern District

b. Stony Creek (near drowning at Stony Creek on July 7, 2022)

Chief Reese recognized Ava Avouris, public service attendant at Stony Creek for her efforts in saving a child from drowning at Stony Creek.

c. Lake St. Clair (near drowning at Lake St. Clair pool on June 26, 2022)

Ms. McMillan introduced lifeguards from Lake St. Clair that saved a young woman from drowning after having a medical emergency:

- Dale Diener, Lifeguard
- Kollin Girling, Lifeguard
- Zachary Moscarello, Lifeguard
- Alex Milana, Lifeguard
- Michelle Chojnowski, Police Officer

Commissioner Parker thanked staff and said they were all appreciated.

9. Other Business

None.

10. Public Participation

None.

11. Commissioner Comments

None

12. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Taylor that the Board of Commissioners adjourn the regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn M. Athayde
Recording Secretary