

**Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Board of Commission Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at the Lake Erie Pool Area.

Commissioners Present: Bernard Parker
Robert W. Marans
John Paul Rea
Stephen Pontoni
William Bolin

Staff Officers Present:
Director Amy McMillan
Deputy Director Michael Lyons
Interim Chief of Finance Rebecca Baaki

Absent:
Commissioners Jaye Quadrozzi
Tiffany Taylor

Others:
Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone Steve Mann

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Parker called the meeting to order at 12:45pm.

2. Chairman's Statement

Commissioner Parker commented on the disaster in Morocco and Libya. He stated he hopes the country and families are able to recover.

Commissioner Parker proposed to move the BOC meetings to start at 1pm going forward. Commissioners Pontoni and Marans supports.

3. Public Participation

None.

4. Approval – August 10, 2023 Regular & Closed Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners approve the closed session and regular meeting minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval – September 14, 2023 Full Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Marans to support for Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners approve the full agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Approval – September 14, 2023 Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Closed Session - for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategy in connection with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement, pursuant to section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Commissioner Marans to convene in closed session for the purpose of discussing material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state of federal statute, supported by Commissioner Rea.

Roll Call Vote

Voting Yes: Parker, Marans, Rea, Bolin, Pontoni

Voting No: None

Absent: Taylor, Quadrozzi

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Reports

A. Administrative Department

1. Approval – 2023 BOC Retreat Agenda

Discussion: Selma Tucker presented the agenda outline for the 2023 BOC retreat agenda.

Commissioner Marans requested background information on presenters prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Parker asked if this meeting will include making changes to the strategic plan. Selma responded the meeting is focused on what is already written in the strategic plan.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve the 2023 BOC Retreat Agenda Report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval – 2024 Golf Pricing

Discussion: Deputy Director, Mike Lyons presented the 2024 Golf Pricing Report.

Commissioner Parker asked why did we not use the same rate for all golf courses. Mike Lyons responded rate are based on local prices.

Commissioner Pontoni asked if golfers are required to pay park entry also. Director McMillan responded most players will have annual permit, also mentioned the trade in program that is available.

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners approve the 2024 Golf Pricing Report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval – School Year Swim Lessons

Discussion: Chief of Marketing, Danielle Mauter presented the school year swim lessons report.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners approve the school year swim lessons report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Report – Natural Resources Spotlight

Discussion: Chief of Natural Resources, Tyler Mitchell presented a Natural Resource Spotlight.

Commissioner Rea commented that he appreciates the efforts the department is putting into the green infrastructure programs, stormwater management, invasive species. Thank you to the crews that are out there every single day in the parks!

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Natural Resources Spotlight as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Financial Department

1. Report - Monthly Financial Report

Discussion: Director McMillan presented the August monthly financial report.

Commissioner Marans asked about the revenue trends across the parks. Have we performed any analyses? Director McMillan commented we will review and factor in weather.

Commissioner Parker asked why Wolcott attendance is so low. Director McMillan commented that Wolcott is smaller park and we do not toll; it is farm centered, trails usage is increasing. We do have car counters.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Monthly Financial Report as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Department Updates

1. Report – Planning and Development Update

Discussion: Chief of Planning and Development, Janet Briles presented the Planning and Development update.

Commissioner Marans asked about our relationship with Waste Management. HCMA has been participating in a pilot program. Starting in 2024 Waste Management will start taking mixed recycling.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Planning and Development Update as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Report – Interpretive Services Update

Discussion: Chief of Interpretive Services, Jennifer Jaworski presented the Interpretive Services Update.

Commissioner Rea commented great progress on Get out and Play. Commissioner Rea also commented the working farm at Wolcott is critical in the north end of the county with connectivity to the agricultural heritage.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Interpretive Services Update as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Report – DEI Update

Discussion: Chief of DEI, Artina Carter presented a DEI Update.

Commissioner Parker commented it was a great speaker series today.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the DEI Update as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Report – Marketing Update

Discussion: Chief of Marketing, Danielle Mauter presented a Marketing Update.

Commissioner Parker commented the outstanding number of media mentions.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Pontoni that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Marketing Update as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Planning & Development

1. Report – DNR Waterways Grant Agreement

Discussion: Chief of Planning and Development, Janet Briles presented the DNR Waterways Grant Agreement.

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Bolin that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the DNR Waterways Grant Agreement as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Engineering

1. Approval – Oakwoods Accessible Trail

Discussion: Chief of Engineering Services, Mike Henkel presented Oakwoods Accessible Trail project.

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners approve the Oakwoods Accessible Trail as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Public Participation

None.

10. Other Business

None.

11. Leadership Update

Director McMillan commented on the importance of staff taking a break and reminded staff to use vacation time.

12. Commissioner Comments

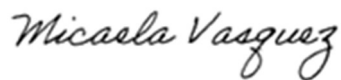
None.

13. Motion to Adjourn

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

The meeting adjourned at 2:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Micaela Vasquez
Recording Secretary