

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES
June 14, 2007

The regular meeting of the Geauga Park District Board was held on June 14, 2007 at the Lewis and Ruth Affelder House, Russell, Ohio. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. President Robert McCullough was in the Chair. Board members Mr. Leech and Dr. Rzeszotarski were present.

Employees present:

Tom Curtin, Executive Director
Les Bednar, Development Officer
Sherry Bosworth, Business Affairs Director
Cindy Ford, Marketing Assistant
Kathy Hanes, Executive Secretary
Paige Hosier, Marketing Director
John Oros, Director of Operations & Natural Resource Mgt.
Robin Pilarczyk, Human Resources Manager
Bob Urban, Chief Ranger
Aaron Young, Planning Director

Visitors present:

Josh Echt, *Geauga County Maple Leaf*
Cathy Gombach
Tom Gombach
Joe Kozial, *Times Courier*
Cheryl Pitcock
Diane Ryder, *News Herald*

Geauga Park District Foundation Representative: Jay Giles

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to accept the revised agenda for the meeting.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 8, 2007

Mr. Leech moved to accept the minutes of May 8, 2007 as written.

Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Mr. Curtin acknowledged the presence of Josh Echt, Jay Giles, Cathy Gombach, Tom Gombach, Joe Kozial, Cheryl Pitcock, and Diane Ryder.

Geauga Park District
FINANCIAL STATEMENT MONTH ENDED
MAY 31, 2007

GENERAL FUND

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE MAY 1, 2007 **2,109,155.21**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES **321,354.28**

Personnel	171,382.64
Medicare	2,346.12
Dental /Hospitalization	35,147.03
PERS	24,327.64
Unemployment Transfers	0.00
Worker's Compensation	0.00
Transfer to Construction Fund	0.00
Vouchers	88,150.85

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES **60,699.61**

General Tax Collections

- Real Estate Tax	0.00
- State Reimburse Tax	0.00
- Personal Property Tax	26,181.00
- State Reimbursed Personal Property Tax	0.00
- Grants	0.00

Investment Income 15,299.23

Gifts & Donations 523.00

- In Honor of Bill/Carol Prior - Green/Hissam (\$100)
- In Memory of David R. Miller - Miller/Kiraly/Kolberg (\$95)
- General Donation - Ohio Concrete/Hayes (\$37)
- Program Donation - Clio Club (\$25)
- Paver Donation Transfer - GPD Foundation (\$266)

Fees

- Programs - Schools - Out-of-County	0.00
- Camping	50.00
- Shelters	0.00
- Canoe and Kayak	14.00
- Bid Plans	0.00
- NAF Table Fees	75.00
Facility Room Usage	0.00
- Facility Utilities	125.00
Administrative Fees - From GPD Foundation	0.00

- Maple Table Fees	0.00	
- Workshops - Greens	0.00	
- Workshops - General - Public Program	12.00	
Workshops - Sap Bucket	0.00	
- Programs - General - Public Program	0.00	
Programs - Sugaring	0.00	
Workshops - Bluebird	0.00	
Workshops - Trout Carving	0.00	
<u>Sales</u>		
- Tapper's Treasures - MC	454.62	
- Tree Tops - TWW	482.76	
- Syrup Sales	0.00	
- Credit Card - All Facilities	5,194.37	
- Water Vending Machine Sales - TWW	14.00	
- Artwork Commission	0.00	
<u>Rental Properties</u>		
- Agricultural Land Use - Briggs, Rick	0.00	
- Tax reimbursement - Exempt property, Brede	0.00	
- Agriculture land use - Edward/Smith Property - Marsic	0.00	
- Swine Creek house - Harry	400.00	
- Scott - Krehlik House	0.00	
- Burton Wetlands House- Kolar	400.00	
- Hyde House - McKinnon	400.00	
Krehlik House Rental	0.00	
<u>Other Receipts</u>		
Jury Duty payment - S. Wohlken	0.00	
Recycled Metal & Aluminum-Hollis Dye	0.00	
Citation Disbursement	100.00	
Parking Ticket Collections	10.00	
Recycling Proceeds	480.63	
Refunds- Other - DW Ross, restroom material returned	0.00	
Local Government Funds	9,230.11	
Insurance Reimbursement	0.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	1,253.89	
- Auction proceeds -typewriter, display case, camera equipment (\$192.60)		
- Reimburse workshop food - NAI (\$156.81)		
- Restroom vending - GPD (\$4.25)		
- Restitution - Geauga County Juvenile Court (\$35.13)		
- Hospitalization premium - Hendrickson (\$865.10)		
ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2007		1,848,500.54
LAND IMPROVEMENT FUND		
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE MAY 1, 2007		5,190,199.24
EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES		74,273.36
Vouchers	74,273.36	

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES		29,123.24
<i>Investment Income</i>	16,119.32	
<i>Gifts & Donations</i>	12,000.00	
- Bessie Benner Metzenbaum Donation - Cleveland Foundation (\$2,000)		
- Transfer Observatory donations - GPD Foundation (\$10,000)		
<i>Other Revenue</i>	0.00	
<i>Royalties</i>		
- Oxford Oil Co - Swine Creek	274.79	
- Cedar Valley Energy - Hehmeyer property	340.38	
- Great Lakes Energy - Hart property	60.92	
- Cedar Valley Energy - Sunnybrook property	327.83	
- Burton	0.00	
- Power Gas - Farley property	0.00	
In Lieu Fees - Silver Creek	0.00	
ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2007		5,145,049.12
RETAINAGE FUND		
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE MAY 1, 2007		203,074.72
EXPENDITURES		0.00
Vouchers	0.00	
REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES		876.35
Transfer from Land Improvement Fund	0.00	
<i>Investment Income</i>	876.35	
ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2007		203,951.07

VOUCHER RESOLUTION NO. 09-07

The Board asked for clarification on a number of voucher items. All questions were answered satisfactorily.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to adopt Voucher Resolution No. 09-07, a copy of which is on file in the Park District office.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Mr. Curtin shared the following communications with the Board:

Tina Frabotta of Chardon reserved Turkey Ridge Shelter and was very pleased with the facilities.

An email was received from Tom Newcomb of Garettsville thanking the Park for a wonderful visit.

Elizabeth St. James thanked the Park for the "perfect day" at Aspen Grove shelter.

Pamela Wilmot of Burton thought the lodge and setting at Swine Creek was beautiful.

An email was received from Ray Gleske of Russell who thought The West Woods was a perfect place for his parent's fiftieth wedding anniversary. He thanked the Park for providing the facility.

Kevin Hoysak of Glenwillow commented that while camping at Campsites A and B the garbage was not emptied nor was there toilet paper in the outhouse.

Tom Robbins of Chardon commented on the beautiful setting at The Rookery.

A note was received from Tracy Hall of Middlefield who enjoyed Swine Creek Lodge, the picnic tables and the surrounding area.

Amanda Lietman complimented the Park on the cleanliness of the facilities at Turkey Ridge Shelter.

Bainbridge Brown Baggers, a group of senior citizens who meet once a week to play cards, sent a \$100.00 donation to Geauga Park District Foundation.

Dave Nolan of Chagrin Falls sent an email to the Board of Commissioners asking them to consider keeping Orchard Hills as a golf course.

A letter was received from Jim Patterson, owner of Orchard Hills Golf Course, expressing his excitement and support for the opportunity to preserve and entrust his land to Geauga Park District.

Katie Sickling thanked the staff for being so friendly and informative during her mentorship time at the Park.

Martha Ely and the staff at Metzenbaum Center expressed their appreciation for the respect shown to their students during a recent program at the school given by Naturalist Dan Best.

A communiqué was received from North Coast Polytech Institute congratulating Robert Urban, Geauga Park District Chief Ranger, for completion of course work at the Police Executive and Administrative Leadership School (PEALS).

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. McCullough opened the floor to members of the public present at the meeting.

Tom Gombach expressed his support for keeping Orchard Hills as a golf course and asked the Park Commissioners to reconsider their decision. He feels the matter was kept quiet and would like to have more public input, possibly a public meeting. He believes that if a consensus poll were taken, the public would support him.

Dr. Rzeszotarski responded that the Park District is still in the process of acquiring Orchard Hills and so, at this time, the Park cannot work on a management plan. He stated that once the process is complete, a public meeting could be held. Mr. Leech responded that the Board was not trying to hide anything and that it would be time well spent if a public meeting were held.

Mr. Gombach was concerned that the property was going to seed since it was not being maintained and asked if the Park would be maintaining it until a firm decision was reached. He indicated that perhaps a subsidy could be placed on the ballot specifically for the maintenance of the course. Mr. Leech stated that maintaining a golf course is expensive and the costs for golf course maintenance would be presented during a public meeting. Mr. Leech added that the Board would be open to options, as long as those options are viable and do not conflict with the mission of the Park District.

Mr. Gombach inquired as to whether the Patterson family would be willing to maintain the golf course until the agreement is complete and Mr. Curtin replied that it would not be possible. The course is not winterized and once the contract is signed, the Pattersons have no responsibility for the maintenance. Mr. Curtin stated that the Board needs to have further discussion on the issue as it relates to the mission of the Park District.

Mr. Gombach inquired about the Park's involvement in recreation. Mr. Curtin responded that the Park engages in passive recreation by providing hiking and biking trails.

Cheryl Pitcock of Chesterland agreed with Mr. Gombach and stated that such a unique "gem" and well-appointed golf course would be going to waste. Mrs. Pitcock also said that school golf coaches are disappointed.

Mr. Gombach suggested the Board have evening meetings, perhaps one evening meeting every four months, because he had to take time from work to attend. Dr. Rzeszotarski commented that the meetings continue well into the evening already. However, Dr. Rzeszotarski suggested that moving the meetings to different Park locations would be more convenient for the citizens of Geauga County.

The public session concluded with the Board thanking Mr. Gombach and Mrs. Pitcock for their time and comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Park Updates

Affelder House

The patio extension is progressing nicely. A one year walk-through will be conducted in July.

Bass Lake Preserve

The project will be completed on June 15, 2007.

Beartown Lakes Reservation

Dam repair construction projects will begin first part of July.

Frohring Meadows

The project is moving along well; work continues on the entrance drive and trails.

Maple Highlands Trail Central

A walk-through was conducted on June 13, 2007. There are still issues with slope failures, so the Planning Department will be meeting with the engineering consultant.

Mountain Run Station

Project is progressing well. The top coat of asphalt is being applied and work on restrooms will begin.

Sunnybrook Preserve

Awaiting proposals for construction drawings. The deadline is June 18, 2007.

The West Woods

Sealing and striping of asphalt is complete.

Personnel

Two new zone leaders begin work on June 18, 2007. A Park Planner and Marine Patrol Ranger have been hired and will begin work in July.

Transmission Lines

Prior to the meeting, the Commissioners were given an informational packet from American Transmission Systems, Inc. (ATSI), a subsidiary of First Energy. ATSI evaluated seven different routes for the proposed transmission lines along Clay Street. Dr. Rzeszotarski expressed concern that Geauga Park District was not mentioned in the document as property that may be impacted by the lines.

The Park District will respond to the proposed routing after the environmental and geological report is complete. Mr. Curtin will keep the Board apprised of the matter.

Gas Well Drilling at Big Creek Park

Mr. Curtin received correspondence from Dorothy Stinchcomb and Al Coogan, Mrs. Stinchcomb's attorney. Mrs. Stinchcomb would like to utilize 1.88 acres of Big Creek Park property for a non-drilling lease. Based upon the legal opinion issued by David S. Kessler of Blaugrund, Herbert & Martin on March 5, 2007, the Board denied the request.

Internship Proposal

Robin Pilarczyk, Human Resources Manager, has developed internship job descriptions for six departments. Recruiting for these positions will begin in 2008.

Health Insurance

Mrs. Pilarczyk will be presenting information about the Health Savings Account at the All-Staff Meeting on June 21, 2007.

River Oaks Investment Company

River Oaks Investment Company has filed a lawsuit against the Park District and the City of Chardon. The company is seeking an at-grade crossing at Maple Highlands Trail Central to build houses on the northern side of the railroad right-of-way and is suing to get access. The lawsuit is currently in the discovery phase and the Park's legal counsel is responding to the complaint.

Krage Property

The appraiser has begun work on the Krage property.

Gauga Park District History Grant

Mr. Curtin reported that the Park has located an individual from Cleveland State University who is interested in conducting oral history interviews with Park staff and Board members.

Gauga Sustainable Energy Fest

The Sustainable Energy Fest is scheduled for June 16, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at The West Woods. Sponsored by Green Energy Ohio and other non-profit organizations, the event will feature speakers and exhibits promoting sustainable energy systems. To date, seventy-five people have pre-registered.

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT FOUNDATION REPORT

Jay Giles reported that Geauga Park District Foundation met on May 24, 2007. Ten new members were inducted at the meeting and all members are working diligently to engage local partners for donations. The Foundation expressed their appreciation to Kinetico Inc. for their donation of \$50,000 to Observatory Park.

NEW BUSINESS

2008 DRAFT BUDGET

A copy of the 2008 Draft Budget was given to the Board prior to the meeting. The Board asked for clarification on some of the budget items and will be meeting with Sherry Bosworth, Business Affairs Director, to discuss it further. Approval of the budget was deferred until the July board meeting.

DEER MANAGEMENT UPDATES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

John Oros, Director of Operations and Natural Resources, presented an update on the Deer Management Recommendations for 2007-08.

Recommendations include:

- ❖ Recruit neighboring property owners, recruit successful hunters from 2006-07 and conduct a public drawing for remaining permits.
- ❖ Request permission from Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, for hunting at Burton Wetlands.
- ❖ Completion of the archery and shotgun proficiency test for hunters.

The Natural Resource Department is collecting data on vegetation plots at deer exclosures to verify whether or not there has been impact on vegetation. The results will be analyzed and presented later this year.

Mr. Oros also reported that he is formulating recommendations for a 2008-09 sharpshooting plan in Park areas not accessible to hunters. The plan will be submitted to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for approval.

Mr. Leech made a motion to approve the 2007-08 Deer Management Updates and Recommendations. Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

TRAIL ACCESS POLICY AND STANDARDS REVISIONS, RESOLUTION NO. 11-07

Mr. Curtin presented the Board with proposed revisions to the Trail Access Policy. Dr. Rzeszotarski suggested that the policy also include a provision for motorized wheelchairs. Mr. Leech asked that the phrase "Notary Republic" be amended to read "Notary Public" on pages three and four of the License Agreement.

The amended policy will read:

Revision - Page 2, Section A, #7:

The Applicant agrees to perform any and all necessary maintenance associated with the operation of the connecting trail *in accordance with the approved plans.*

Revision - Page 1 of 4, License Agreement, Paragraph 3:

"Now therefore...for use by foot, horse, bicycle and *motorized wheelchairs* for trail purposes.

Revision - Page 1 of 4, License Agreement, Paragraph 4:

"Trail purposes" as used...as a trail for foot, horse, bicycle and *motorized wheelchairs.*
Motorized vehicles are prohibited.

Mr. Leech made a motion to approve revisions to the Trail Access Policy and Standards. Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

ODOT BIENNIUM FUNDING, RESOLUTION NO. 10-07

Mr. Curtin presented Resolution No. 10-07 which requests an allocation from the Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund for fiscal year 2008-09.

**REQUESTING FUNDS FROM
THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND DESIGNATION OF PROJECTS
FOR OHIO PARKS DISTRICTS ROADWORK FUNDS FY 2008-2009
THROUGH THE OHIO PARKS & RECREATION ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners (the Board) for the Geauga Park District (the Park District) has need for improvement of public park roadways owned and maintained by the Park District in Geauga County, and

WHEREAS, the Park District was created in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 1545 and owns or manages parkland eligible for roadwork funding and has adequate, available resources for the construction and maintenance of requested Park road improvements, and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund is provided by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for such purposes as authorized by Ohio Revised Code 5511.06, with the fund managed by the Ohio Parks & Recreation Association, and

WHEREAS, the Board understands the requirements for receiving such funds and spending options by September 2008 or lose such allocation, SO BE IT.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Park Commissioners of Geauga Park District, Geauga County, Ohio requests an allocation from the Ohio Park Districts Roadwork Fund, along with any remaining balance of funds as follows:

Geauga Park District will pay all costs in excess of Ohio Department of Transportation allocation for roadwork as agreed.

Thomas Curtin, Executive Director of Geauga Park District, is designated as the contact person for local arrangements and will sign all documentation on behalf of the Board.

Adopted this 14th day of June, 2007.

Mr. McCullough made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-07 for the allocation of funds from the Ohio Park Districts Road Fund for fiscal year 2008-09.

Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

Mr. McCullough signed Resolution No. 10-07 on behalf of the Board.

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT RULES AND REGULATIONS, RESOLUTION 12-07

Mr. Curtin asked the Board for approval to revise Geauga Park District Rules and Regulations, Section 19.0, Engine Powered Miniature Models and Toys of as follows:

No person shall operate or permit to be operated, any type of *combustion* engine, *battery and/or electric* powered miniature model, toy airplane, rocket, boat, model ship, car or truck within any area of the Park.

Dr. Rzeszotarski made a motion to approve the revisions to Geauga Park District Rules and Regulations, Section 19.0, Engine Powered Miniature Models and Toys.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

COBRA ASSISTANCE TO NEW EMPLOYEES

Mr. Curtin presented a recommendation that would place a cap of \$700.00 on the monthly amount of assistance that Geauga Park District can offer new employees. In the past, the Park has assisted new hires with COBRA costs. COBRA enables employees to continue on their medical/dental plans from their previous employer during the required three month wait to join the Park District's medical/dental plan. Dr. Rzeszotarski suggested that the cap be indexed against the Geauga Park District employee health insurance not to exceed the maximum single/family rate at the time of the new hire.

Mr. Leech made a motion that the maximum amount of COBRA assistance offered to new employees be indexed against the Geauga Park District health insurance single/family rate at the time of hire.

Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

DONALD W. MEYER CENTER, PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 01

Mr. Curtin presented the Phillip Miller Construction, Inc. Pay Application Request No. 01 for walkway improvements at Donald W. Meyer Center in the amount of \$10,782.65.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to approve the Phillip Miller Construction, Inc. Payment Application No. 01 in the amount of \$10,782.65.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

FROHRING MEADOWS, PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 02

Mr. Curtin presented the Danco General Contracting Payment Application No. 02 for construction at Frohring Meadows in the amount of \$312,664.90.

Mr. Leech moved to approve the payment application for Danco General Contracting in the amount of \$312,664.90.

Mr. McCullough seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

BASS LAKE, PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 01 AND NO. 02, CHANGE ORDER NO. 03

Mr. Curtin presented Clemson Excavating Payment Application No. 01 in the amount of \$73,506.00 Payment Application No. 02 in the amount of \$3,000.00 for site preparation, erosion control, and earthwork at Bass Lake Preserve. He also presented Change Order No. 03 for Bass Lake site improvements (no change in contracted dollar amount).

Mr. Leech moved to approve Clemson Excavating Payment Application No. 01 in the amount of \$73,506.00, Payment Application No. 02 in the amount of \$3,000.00, and Change Order No. 03 (no change in contracted dollar amount) for site improvements to Bass Lake Preserve.

Mr. McCullough seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

THE WEST WOODS, CHANGE ORDER NO. 01

Mr. Curtin presented Ronyak Paving, Inc. Change Order No. 01 in the amount of \$6,218.75 for asphalt improvements at The West Woods.

Mr. Leech moved to approve Ronyak Paving, Inc. Change Order No. 01 in the amount of \$6,218.75 for asphalt improvements at The West Woods.

Mr. McCullough seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

MOUNTAIN RUN STATION, PHASE II, PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 01

Mr. Curtin presented the Ohio Paving and Construction Payment Application No. 01 in the amount of \$96,529.80 for construction at Mountain Run Station, Phase II.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to approve the Ohio Paving and Construction Payment Application No. 01 in the amount of \$96,529.80 for construction at Mountain Run Station, Phase II.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

MOUNTAIN RUN STATION, PHASE II, WORK CHANGE DIRECTIVES NOS. 02-05

Mr. Curtin presented the Ohio Paving and Construction Payment Work Change Directives Nos. 02-05 for Mountain Run Station, Phase II.

Work Change Directive No. 02, in the amount of \$11,285.00, is for labor and materials to plant additional trees, Work Change Directive No. 03, in the amount of \$2,893.00, is for grading, Work Change Directive No. 04, in the amount of \$850.00, is for labor and materials to install mulch in the parking lot areas and Work Change Directive No. 05, in the amount of zero dollars, is to relocate a single phase pad mount transformer.

Mr. Leech moved to approve the Ohio Paving and Construction Work Change Directive No. 02 in the amount of \$11,285.00, Work Change Directive No. 03 in the amount of \$2,893.00, Work Directive No. 04 in the amount of \$850.00 and Work Change Directive No. 05 in the amount of zero dollars. Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

COMMISSIONERS' TIME

Best Sand is sponsoring a "Party in the Pit" Open House on June 16, 2007. Tom Curtin, Paige Hosier, and Sherry Bosworth will serve as Park representatives throughout the day. The Park's exhibit will feature an informational display on Maple Highlands Trail.

Mr. Leech suggested that promotional materials for events from other organizations be made available to the public at the Board meetings.

The Board suggested that rotating meeting locations would be helpful to residents that wish to attend. Therefore, the August board meeting will be held at Swine Creek Lodge in Middlefield.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Marketing Department for the wonderful job on the Annual Report.

The Board took a break at 5:15 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Curtin advised the Board that there were no personnel issues to be discussed.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to go into Executive Session at 5:37 p.m. for the purpose of discussing land acquisition.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. The following was discussed for resolution:

LAND ACQUISITION

Fuchs Property, Resolution No. 13-07

Mr. McCullough made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to purchase 7.12 acres of real property in Montville Township, Permanent Parcel No. 20-053700, from Anna Fuchs in the amount of \$25,000, plus closing costs.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

Mr. McCullough signed the purchase agreement on behalf of the Board.

Claridon and Parkman Townships

Dr. Rzeszotarski made a motion to authorize the Executive Director to enter into negotiations for land in Claridon and Parkman Townships.

Mr. Leech seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Leech	Yes
Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT IDENTITY MANUAL

Paige Hosier, Marketing Director, distributed a copy of the Identity Manual to the Board. The Identity Manual sets the standard for use of logos and colors in all correspondence from the Park District. Mr. Leech commented on the Park logo and suggested that a brief history of its development be mentioned in the manual. Mrs. Hosier asked the Board to review the contents of the manual.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

There were no reports from committees of the Board.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOARD

Departmental reports from the Supervisors were submitted for the month of May to the Executive Director and a summary sheet was forwarded to the Board in their packets prior to the Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE

The rules of the Park Board were complied with by sending notice pursuant to the rules adopted by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas G. Curtin, Executive Director

Robert McCullough, President