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GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES
MAY 18, 2004

The regular meeting of the Geauga Park District Board was held on May 18, 2004, at the Park District office, Chardon, Ohio. The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. Vice President Betty Cope was in the chair. Board member Mark Rzeszotarski was present. Employees present were: Tom Curtin, Keith McClintock, William Boehnlein, Paige Hosier, Nate Eppink, Joel Firem, Michele Pennell, Robin Pilarczyk, Tom Sterlekar, and Eileen Smith. Guests present were Tom Adams, Sheldon Firem, David Fuhry, Kevin O'Reilly, Jr., and Alan Wilson. Media present: Glenn Miller, *Geauga County Maple Leaf*.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to accept the agenda as revised for the meeting. Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

Gauga Park District's Ranger appointments were scheduled to be sworn in with the Honorable Charles Henry, Geauga County Probate Judge, at 4:00 p.m. Executive Director, Tom Curtin, proceeded to swear in Part-Time Ranger, Joel Firem, and Seasonal Ranger, William Boehnlein, as Commissioned Officers for Geauga Park District.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-04
RANGER PART-TIME

Dr. Rzeszotarski made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 1545.13 of the Ohio Revised Code, Joel Firem be appointed as a part-time police officer (Ranger) of Geauga Park District, and

RESOLVED, that this appointment shall be effective May 18, 2004.

Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RESOLUTION NO. 11-04
RANGER SEASONAL

Dr. Rzeszotarski made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 1545.13 of the Ohio Revised Code, William Boehnlein, be appointed as a seasonal police officer (Ranger) of Geauga Park District, and

RESOLVED, that this appointment shall be effective May 18, 2004.

Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2004

Miss Cope moved that the minutes of April 14, 2004, be approved as amended.
 Dr. Rzeszotarski seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS

Tom Curtin introduced to the Board staff member, Michele Pennell. Mrs. Pennell has filled the position as the Park District's Accountant. She comes to the Park District from the Geauga County Auditor's office.

David Fuhry, Kevin O'Reilly, Alan Wilson, Parkman Township Trustees, and Tom Adams were in attendance to address the Board during Open to the Public.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
 FOR THE MONTH ENDING
 APRIL 30, 2004

GENERAL FUND		
BALANCE APRIL 1, 2004		3,495,584.40
EXPENDITURES		2,473,770.30
Personnel	204,050.22	
PBX- March	185.06	
Medicare	2,318.49	
Ohio PERS	28,150.69	
Hospitalization -April	25,861.60	
Unemployment Comp	1,260.00	
Workers Comp based on 2003 payroll	17,486.26	
Vouchers	194,457.98	
Transfer to Q41 Construction Fund	2,000,000.00	
RECEIPTS		394,038.51
Fees:		
Lodges Heat Fee	40.00	
Shelter Fees	40.00	
Camping	30.00	
Sugaring Program- Out of County	436.00	
Soap Making Workshop	192.85	
Wren Workshop	18.00	
Plans for Affelder House Improvements	284.87	
Rental Properties-April		
- McKinnon- Hyde House	350.00	
- Kolar - Burton Wetlands House	350.00	
- Harry - Swine Creek House	350.00	
Sales: Nature Stores	2,708.95	

Donation: B. Garner in honor of Bob Faber	50.00	
Donation: General at Rocky Recollections Program	3.35	
Donation: West G Friends of Library	25.00	
Donations in Memory of Duane Ferris-Steigerwalds	50.00	
Donation: Women's Fellowship federated Church	25.00	
Donation: Ice Age Exhibit -Jeanette Brown	1,000.00	
Donation: Ice Age Exhibit - Junction Auto	3,500.00	
Donation: Ice Age Exhibit - S. Livingston Mather Trust	3,000.00	
Refund: Sherwin Williams - return merchandise	31.90	
1st Half Manufactured Homes Tax	11,519.87	
State Reimb Real Estate Tax	362,679.94	
Chardon Muni Court- Citation Disb.	126.00	
Local Government Funds	6,607.84	
Interest earned-March	618.94	
BALANCE APRIL 30, 2004		1,415,852.61
CONSTRUCTION FUND		
BALANCE APRIL 1, 2004		1,347,743.55
EXPENDITURES		218,687.10
Vouchers	218,687.10	
RECEIPTS		2,001,668.10
Interest Earned-March	1,280.42	
Transfer from S05 General Fund	2,000,000.00	
Royalties - Cedar Valley - Hehmeyer Prop	93.12	
Royalties - Oxford Oil - Ford Well	294.56	
BALANCE APRIL 30, 2004		3,130,724.55

VOUCHER RESOLUTION NO. 12-04

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved the adoption of the voucher resolution, a copy of which is on file in the Park District office, so marked Resolution No. 12-04.

Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

There were no communications.

Miss Cope commented on the successful Music Street trail dedication on May 2, 2004. Dr. Rzeszotarski added that there was a nice turnout in spite of the inclement weather.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

David Fuhry, Chairman, Parkman Township Trustee, thanked the Board for meeting with them. Prior to the Board meeting, he had spoken with Robert McCullough, President, Board of Park Commissioners, concerning a letter that was sent out by Tom Curtin to Parkman Township residents, which set forth information Mr. Curtin received from the Geauga County Auditor's office regarding the Parkman Township tax base. The purpose of Mr. Curtin's letter was not only to give the residents information concerning the tax base, but to inform the residents about land acquisitions the Park has made in Parkman Township, fulfilling a 2001 levy campaign promise to have parks located in every township. Mr. Fuhry expressed concern that the residents in

Parkman Township may have been misled by the letter, interpreting that Parkman Township realizes more tax revenue than it actually receive. Alan Wilson added his concern that residents may not pass another levy.

Mr. Fuhry addressed the concern that with the Park District purchasing land, the Park District would be removing land from the tax duplicate. Mr. Curtin responded that he did investigate this issue, looking at the taxes properties were generating prior to the Park District acquiring the land as well as after. Mr. Curtin's research showed that the net effect on the tax revenue from the Park's purchases increased the tax revenue by \$324.88. Mr. Curtin indicated that the Park District is supportive of farm land preservation and did enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Geauga County Commissioners, and the Geauga Soil and Water Conservation concerning preserving farm land. (*Gauga Park District Board Minutes*, May 11, 2001, Book 5, Page 401.) In Parkman, the Park District has a life estate on one of the properties, as well as agricultural leases, all of which contributes to Parkman Township's tax base. Mr. Wilson expressed his concern that the Park District would be purchasing all the land along the Grand River corridor. Mr. Curtin stated that the Park District is, in deed, interested in preserving portions of the Grand River corridor in accordance with its mission statement.

Dr. Rzeszotarski encouraged communication between the Park District and Parkman Township Trustees, and reiterated that the Park District is receptive to any suggestions offered by the Parkman Township Trustees. Dr. Rzeszotarski stated the Park District's strategic plan is to acquire lands while they are still affordable and that it was in the Park's best interest, as well as the residents of Parkman Township, to protect the open space, making it available for future generations.

ALTERNATIVE FUELS

Tom Sterlekar, Park Tech, presented information concerning alternative fuels and hydraulic fluids. In this overview, Mr. Sterlekar indicated that these alternative fuels were environmentally friendly and the hydraulic fluid could be used in our vehicles. Mr. Sterlekar indicated that before we proceed with considering the use of these alternative fuels, we will need to make sure they are compatible with Park vehicles.

AFFELDER COTTAGE IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Tom Curtin gave the Board an overview of the results of the bids for the Affelder Cottage improvements. The Park District projected it would cost One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the improvements to the cottage for site improvements. The bids that were received for this project ranged from \$144,000.00 to \$175,000.00. Because these bids came in higher than anticipated, the Park District is considering doing this project in phases. In 2004, the Park District would perform the site work, including the dry hydrant installation, footers, CEI underground service, interior electrical panel, oil tank removal, footer tiles, new furnace, sanitary tank pumped and crushed, and a new sanitary line to Surrey Downs. In 2005, the Park District would bring the house up to code. Dr. Rzeszotarski inquired how we would handle the bids. Tom Curtin replied that the Planning Department would be looking into the elements, obtaining new pricing, and re-bid the project. Miss Cope reaffirmed the need to keep the Affelder family informed of the status of the project.

RONYAK BROTHERS PAVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1

Tom Curtin presented to the Board Ronyak Brothers Paving Change Order No. 1 in the amount of Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$475.00), representing a revision to the asphalt overlay to include the entire circle perimeter path in lieu of patching three areas pursuant to the contract specifications.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to approve Ronyak Brothers Paving Change Order No. 1 in the amount of Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$475.00) for reasons stated above.

Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

The new contract amount is Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$24,939.00).

GRAVEL AND CRUSHED STONE BID AWARD

Mr. Curtin reported that on May 3, 2004, sealed bids for the gravel and crushed stone projects were submitted by the following:

Northeastern Road Improvements Co.	\$30,481.85
Arms Trucking	\$30,319.50
Clemson Excavating	\$33,172.50

Mr. Curtin recommended to the Board to accept the bid received from Arms Trucking in the amount of Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$30,319.50).

Following a discussion, Miss Cope moved to approve the bid received from Arms Trucking in the amount of Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$30,319.50).

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

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

SMALL RESEARCH GRANT -2003

The Board was provided a copy of the grant entitled "Ferns and Fern Allies of The West Woods" by Samuel J. Mazzer and Christopher S. Slaybaugh for their review prior to the Board meeting.

Mr. Curtin explained to the Board the reason for the delay in receiving this report was due to preparing two or more herbarium sheets of each collected species, drying and storing the specimens, and recording the data labels. This report went beyond the original time frame of the basic work we contracted for. This comprehensive analysis of the habitats in The West Woods was explained in detail, making this report a valuable contribution to understanding the ecology of The West Woods. Mr. Curtin recommended payment of this grant to Mr. Mazzer in the amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$3,584.50).

Miss Cope moved to approve the payment to Samuel J. Mazzer and Christopher S. Slaybaugh in the amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Fifty Cents for the research grant.

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

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

BIOHABITATS, INC.

Keith McClintock presented an invoice to the Board for services rendered from Biohabitats, Inc. in the amount of Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Sixty-Eight Cents (\$91,232.68) representing completed work in Phase I of the project.

Miss Cope moved to approve the invoice for services rendered from Biohabitats, Inc. in the amount of Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Sixty-Eight Cents (\$91,232.68).

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

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

PARK UPDATES

Mr. Curtin updated the Board on the following:

Bass Lake Preserve

The interior building renovations have been completed. The Park District will be proceeding with the parking lot and boat launch layout. A riding mower has been delivered to the shed at Bass Lake. Bass Lake Association members will be taking care of mowing the area.

Bessie Benner Metzenbaum Park

The chip and seal work will be completed by the last week in May.

Frohring Meadows

The Park District is waiting to hear whether we received any of the grants we applied for. The grants will require an archeological study to be performed.

The Maple Highlands Trail-Central Section

The bid opening will take place on Thursday afternoon, May 20, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. The Park District is hopeful that the bids will be within the projected costs. Alltel should have their utilities lines relocated by the end of May. Jay Abercrombie, Biologist, is working with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the wetland permit application. David Ondrey, counsel for Geauga Park District, is reviewing the contract for Environmental Design Group for the construction engineering oversight of the Central Section.

The Maple Highlands Trail-Chardon Connector

The Park District is working on an alternative alignment for the Chardon Connector based on information contained in the Foresight Engineering survey. The Park District is talking with property owners regarding possible acquisition.

Burton Wetlands

Shawn Harry, Park Tech, and Karen Morgan, Park Worker-Facilities Maintenance, have been working on concepts for an outdoor display at Burton Wetlands. The concept will explain how Lake Kelso was formed and its unique aspects. It will also include information on Osprey, history of the bog, plants and animals.

The Maple Highlands Trail-North

The Park District has received cost estimates from Pat Schwan, Richland Engineering Ltd., for several options for the repair of the slopes along the bike path. A meeting will be scheduled with Richland Engineering, Ltd., EDP Consultants, Inc., and Great Lakes Construction Company to expedite the repair of this section so that the trail can be opened.

Emergency Action Plan

The Ranger Department has acquired emergency kits. These kits will be placed in each patrol vehicle.

InfiniTree

InfiniTree is a joint venture between Geauga Park District and Geauga Council for the Arts and Culture, which project will demonstrate in a creative way the impact one tree can make. This project will take place between now and 2006. One of the aspects of this project will be an art sale. It appears that the Geauga Arts Council is willing to split the proceeds of the art sale with Geauga Park District. The artist will receive 50%. Geauga Park District and the Geauga Council for the Arts and Culture will each receive 25%.

Audit Committee

Dr. Rzeszotarski reported that the Audit Committee met on April 28, 2004, with the Contract and Planning Department. The Audit Committee meets quarterly in accordance with the State Auditor's recommendation.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-04

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR PHILIP GINGRICH

Miss Cope moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Philip O. Gingrich has served Geauga Park District for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Philip O. Gingrich has devoted these years of service utilizing his knowledge, skills, abilities, and energies to maintain the preservation of the natural park areas; and

WHEREAS, Philip O. Gingrich has served Geauga Park District and the community with dedication and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Philip O. Gingrich is admired by his peers and has made valuable contributions to Geauga Park District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Geauga Park District's Board of Commissioners express their sincere thanks and appreciation to Philip O. Gingrich for his years of service to the people of Geauga County and Geauga Park District.

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

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 13-03

At the April 29, 2003, Board meeting, the Board passed a resolution of intent to appropriate certain former railroad right-of-way real estate owned by Grandview Golf Club, Inc. (*Gauga Park District Minutes*, April 29, 2003, Book 6, page 80.) The Park District has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Grandview Golf Club, Inc. for the referenced property. The deed for this property has been filed in the Geauga County Recorders office. Mr. Curtin asked the Board to rescind Resolution No. 13-03.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to rescind Resolution No. 13-03 for the reason stated above. Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 19-03

At the April 29, 2003, Board meeting, the Board passed a resolution of intent to appropriate certain former railroad right-of-way real estate owned by Robert N. and Sally F. Richmond. (*Geauga Park District Minutes*, April 29, 2003, Book 6, page 84.) The Park District will be entering into a Purchase and Sale Agreement for said real estate. Mr. Curtin asked the Board to rescind Resolution No. 19-03.

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to rescind Resolution No. 19-03 for the reason stated above. Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

CITY OF BRUNSWICK

Keith McClintock reported that the Park District is in receipt of the City of Brunswick's stream mitigation payment in the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00), representing payment for 500 lineal feet of stream restoration. According to the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, the City of Brunswick will need 550 lineal feet of stream restoration. The Park District anticipates receiving an additional payment for the balance of the lineal feet needed by the City of Brunswick.

FIREARMS POLICY

Mr. Curtin presented to the Board for approval an updated policy on off-duty and secondary firearms.

Miss Cope moved to adopt the following policy:

1. Rangers are granted police powers under Section 1545.13 of the Ohio Revised Code. Officers may, but are not required to, carry an authorized firearm while off duty. However, Rangers must be armed when in uniform and/or operating a marked patrol vehicle on or off duty.

All Rangers desiring to carry an off-duty or secondary firearm must meet the following conditions:

- A. The Ranger shall make application in writing to the Chief Ranger;
 - B. The firearms training unit will inspect and evaluate the firearm and make a written recommendation to the Chief Ranger. Upon the Chief's determination, the petitioning Ranger will receive written notification of the results within thirty (30) days of application; and
 - C. Prior to being approved to carry the firearm, the Ranger shall qualify in accordance with departmental firearms qualification requirements.
2. Back-up and off-duty firearms shall be carried concealed when the Ranger is in plain clothes or in uniform unless:
 - A. The Ranger is in the workplace, and the Ranger's badge is prominently displayed next to the firearm;
 - B. The Ranger is engaged in law enforcement actions that may reasonably require quick access to the firearm, and the officer's badge is prominently displayed near the weapon; or

- C. The Ranger is engaged in activities where it would be permissible for a citizen to carry an exposed firearm, such as in hunting or target practice.
- 3. When armed, whether on or off duty, Rangers shall carry their badge and agency identification.
- 4. Geauga Park District Rangers who voluntarily carry an off-duty or back-up weapon shall always follow the following safety rules:
 - A. Educate your immediate family about your firearm;
 - B. Store your firearm and ammunition separately;
 - C. Secure your firearm, use commercial locks, padlocks, or handcuffs;
 - D. Do not keep your handgun under your pillow or at bedside;
 - E. Be consistent with the way you handle your firearm at home. If you follow the same routine every time, you are less likely to forget something;
 - F. Treat all firearms as if they are loaded;
 - G. Never point a firearm at a person unless you are prepared to shoot that person;
 - H. Upon taking or picking up a firearm, open the action to see that the firearm is unloaded. Then check again;
 - I. Do not permit your firearm to be worked on by anyone except a qualified gunsmith or armorer;
 - J. Never give a firearm or take a firearm from anyone unless the firearm is unloaded and the action is open; and
 - K. Do not horseplay with a firearm. Keep it secure unless it is being used for training or to defend life.

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

Mr. McCullough	Absent
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

Mr. McCullough arrived at 5:15 p.m.

The Board took a break from 5:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

LEVY

There was discussion as to whether the Park District should undertake a renewal levy in the fall of 2005 or to wait and see what other levies will be on the ballot at that time. Mr. Curtin updated the Board on the levy event, *Under a Starry Sky*, scheduled for June 19, 2004, at the Observatory in Montville Township.

ENDOWMENT FUND

Keith McClintock presented a draft of an Instrument of Conveyance and a draft of by-laws. The Board discussed changes to be incorporated into the drafts.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to go into Executive Session at 6:17 p.m. for the purpose of discussed land acquisitions and personnel matters.

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:35p.m. The following has been discussion for resolution.

LAND ACQUISITION

GINCAS PROPERTY

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to approve the purchase of real property located in Montville Township owned by Nijole Gincas, known as Permanent Parcel No. 20-071068, containing approximately 36.7049 acres of land for the purchase price of One Hundred Eight-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars (\$187,500.00).

Miss Cope seconded the motion and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

MC CULLUM PROPERTY

Mr. McCullough moved to approve the purchase of real property located in Newbury Township owned by Jane Dixon McCullam, known as Permanent Parcel No. 23-077800, containing approximately 64.494 acres of land for the purchase price of Four Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$452,352.00).

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RAIDER HOME ASSOCIATION

Mr. McCullough moved to approve the purchase of real property located in Russell Township owned by Raider Home Association, known as Permanent Parcel No. 26-195791, for the purchase price of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) per acre, with the final price to be determined after a survey is performed.

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

TRANSCON BUILDERS, INC.

Miss Cope moved to approve the purchase of real property located in Russell Township owned by TransCon Builders, Inc., known as Permanent Parcel No. 26-195789, containing

approximately 4.38 acres of land for the purchase price of Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$30,660.00).

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

RICHMOND PROPERTY

Dr. Rzeszotarski moved to approve the purchase of real property owned by Robert N. and Sally F. Richmond, located in Claridon Township along the railroad right-of-way, containing approximately 0.1669 acres of land for the purchase price of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00).

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

CITY OF AKRON—LICENSE AGREEMENT

Miss Cope moved to enter into a License Agreement with the City of Akron for the development of the proposed hiking and biking trail on the abandoned B&O Railroad right-of-way adjacent to the City of Akron's Watershed Property at East Branch Reservoir.

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

RICHARD R. SHERWOOD – CONSULTING CONTRACT

Mr. McCullough moved to enter into an agreement with Richard R. Sherwood for a consulting contract relative to the Ranger Department for the calendar year 2004 for twenty-four (24) hours a week at Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) an hour, as well as provide a separate liability insurance policy for Mr. Sherwood.

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

Mr. McCullough	Yes
Dr. Rzeszotarski	Yes
Miss Cope	Yes

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Departmental reports from the Supervisors were submitted for the month of April 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 7:45 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