

**GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 14, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Geauga Park District Board was held April 14, 2015 at The Meyer Center Chardon Twp., Ohio. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. Commissioners Mary Ruth Shumway, Bill Gertz and Jeffrey Orndorff were present.

Mary Ruth Shumway called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Park District Employees	GUESTS
John Oros, Interim Director	See EXHIBIT "A" attached
Anna McDonald, Executive Administrative Assistant	
Matt McCue, Planning & NRM Manager	
Michele Pennell, Director of Business & Visitor Services	
Robin Pilarczyk, HR Manager	
Brett Bellas, Grounds & Facilities Manager	
Rod Fyfe, Park District Operations Department	
Don Lombardy, IT Manager	
Paul Pira, Natural Resource Management Director	
David Ondrey, Legal Counsel (Thrasher Dinsmore & Dolan)	

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

The Board was presented with minutes from the March 10, 2015 Board Meeting. There were no questions from the Board.

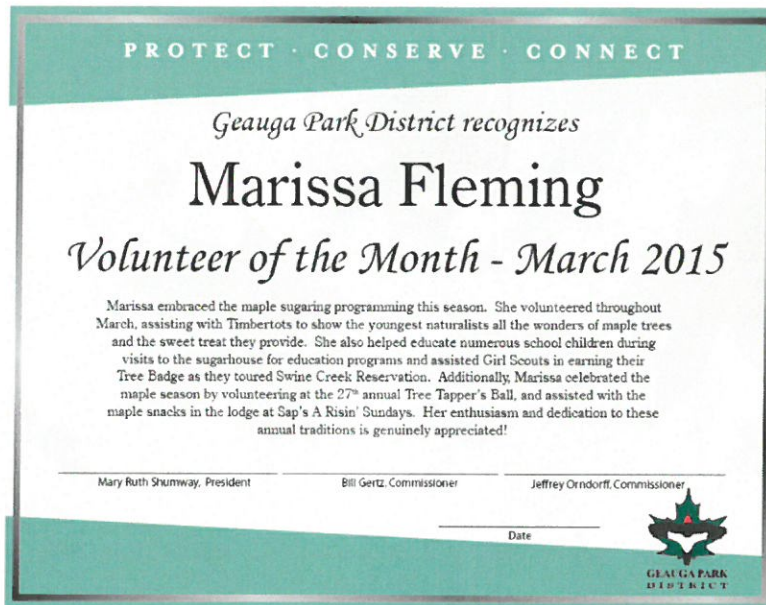
Mr. Orndorff made a motion to accept the March 10, 2015 Board Meeting minutes as presented.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Volunteer Marissa Fleming was recognized by the Board for her contributions to the Park District. Commissioner Gertz read and presented Ms. Fleming with the following Certificate of Appreciation with thanks from the Board of Commissioners and employees of the Geauga Park District:



CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION- ROD FYFE – RESOLUTION NO. 18-15

Twenty-five (25) year employee Rod Fyfe was recognized by the Board for his many contributions, service and dedication to the success of the Park District. Commissioner Orndorff read and presented Mr. Fyfe with the following Certificate of Appreciation with thanks from the Board of Commissioners and employees of the Geauga Park District:

RESOLUTION

**OF APPRECIATION
ROD FYFE**

Resolution No. 18-15
April 14, 2015

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe has faithfully served Geauga Park District since April 16, 1990, when he was hired as a Tech 2 during construction of the Donald W. Meyer Center, gathered stones from Big Creek for the fire of the fireplace and exterior walls, and built many permanent displays within as Maintenance and Construction Supervisor, and today as West Operations Maintenance Tech II.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe has exhibited exemplary skills in woodworking, felling trees, construction, building, and training younger staff, and hired numerous individuals who remain on staff today.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe was instrumental in getting the Big Creek Maintenance Facility built in 1995 and expanded in 2002, and was the person behind the push for an in-house sign shop there.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe led or participated in countless park improvement projects including construction of The West Woods Affelder Link Trail, the Sunnysbrook Preserve bridge, the Orchard Hills Park sledding hill berm, and multiple Bessie Banner Metzenbaum Park structures, lodge fireplace hearths and parade floats, trail repairs at Sunnysbrook Preserve and Orchard Hills Park, top drawings on sections of The West Woods Pioneer Trail, design and installation of prep tables in the lodges at Sunnysbrook Preserve and The Lookout, transmission replacement on a Gondo utility vehicle, modification of trash center to eliminate water damage, and replacement of numerous well pumps.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe worked as a handler for Clydesdales Virki and Charlie, then on the purchasing of Belmont Rick and Jim, for wagon rides, sleigh rides and tap gathering at Swine Creek Reservation.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe has likely worked more Nature Arts Festivals, previously Wildlife Carving & Nature Art Festivals, than any other staff and is recognized as an art installation perfectionist.

WHEREAS, Rod Fyfe is a veteran of the U.S. Army, was OPOTA Certified in 1995, completed the Cleveland Heights Police Academy, Park and Recreation Management School and Supervisor Management School, and served on the original Regional Parks Conference Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Geauga Park District Board of Commissioners extends its gratitude to Rod Fyfe for his contributions to preserve, conserve and protect the natural features of Geauga County, and to provide outdoor recreational experiences to our residents of every age, every ability and at all times of the year.

Mary Ruth Shumway Bill Gertz Jeffrey Orndorff

Geauga Park District

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Board was provided with a copy of the March 2015 Financial Statement. All questions from the Board were satisfactorily answered.

**Geauga Park District
FINANCIAL STATEMENT MONTH ENDED
March 31, 2015**

GENERAL FUND

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE FEBRUARY 1, 2015 **5,557,835.06**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES

Personnel	206,495.22
Medicare	2,972.97
Dental /Hospitalization	45,270.54
OPERS February	30,484.51
Unemployment Transfers (February E. Smith)	1,672.00
Vouchers	175,415.00

EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES **462,310.24**

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES

General Tax Collections

- Real Estate Tax (1st half settlement, includes Mfg. Homes
- \$7,463.76) 2,619,875.80

Investment Income 250.85

Gifts & Donations 6,177.60

- Bird Box - \$ 20.13, Saps A Risin - \$735.60 , Tree Tappers Ball - \$169.00
- Unrestricted - \$177.25, Memorial M.Welch - \$45.00
- Naturescopes - \$3,000.00, Caveman Crawl sponsorships - \$1,600.00
- Affelder quarterly donation - \$ 430.62

Fees

- Camping	320.00
- Shelters	20.00
- NAF Table Fees	100.00
- Utility fees	735.00
- Workshops - General - Public program	40.00
- Programs - Out-of-county	304.00
- Cave Man Crawl Race registrations	20.00
- Programs	30.00

Sales

- Tapper's Treasures - MC	32.40
- Tree Tops - TWW	1,898.01
- Syrup Sales	1,093.34

Other Receipts

- Agricultural Lease - G. Soltis Observatory Park	1,425.00
- GPD Foundation rental space/equipment	212.18
- Observatory house - Sindelar	300.00
- Swine Creek house - Harry	400.00
- Burton Wetlands house- Kolar	400.00
- Hyde house - Krigbaum	400.00
- Chickagami house - Maksim	400.00

Other

- Payment for excessive clean up at Rookery - D. McDonnell	150.00
- Local Government Funds	5,992.81

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES **2,640,576.99**

ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MARCH 31, 2015 **7,736,101.81**

LAND IMPROVEMENT FUND

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE FEBRUARY 1, 2015 **3,180,790.60**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES

Vouchers	3,012.50
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EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES **3,012.50**

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES

Investment Income 149.19

Royalties/In-Lieu Fees 338.59

- Hehmeyer - \$100.42, Farley - \$34.56, Hart - \$25.26
- Sunnybrook - \$40.74, Ford-Windsor - \$137.61

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES **487.78**

ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MARCH 31, 2015 **\$ 3,178,265.88**

RETIREMENT RESERVE ACCOUNT

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE FEBRUARY 1, 2015 **\$ 82,446.24**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER USES **0.00**

Vouchers -

REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES **3.85**

Investment Income 3.85

ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF MARCH 31, 2015 **\$ 82,450.09**

PURCHASE REQUISITION PRE-APPROVALS

The Board was presented with a list of outstanding Purchase Requisitions for pre-approval in the amount of \$173,446.14. Mr. Lombardy provided information, rationale and cost savings for the purchase of Microsoft Office 2013 ten (10) year perpetual licenses vs. yearly subscriptions.

Mr. Gertz made a motion to approve the purchase requisition pre-approvals, in the amount of \$173,446.14.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

The Board was presented with the vouchers paid during the month of March 2015 in the amount of \$465,322.74. These vouchers represent the normal day-to-day operating expenses, approved budgeted expenses and payroll. There were no questions from the Board.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to accept the March 2015 paid vouchers into the record.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

VIDEO PRODUCTION SERVICES

Ms. Pennell provided the Board with options to for video production and distribution based on discussions she and the Communications Department had with Mr. Orndorff. Mr. Orndorff reported that he agreed with staff thought that Lake Erie Video and Aquent Studios would be good partners with this project, and it would benefit the Park District to work with both companies to determine how each could assist the Park District. Mr. Orndorff recommended the Board utilize Option 3 to contract with both companies (Lake Erie Video and Aquent Studios) for video production and Option 1 to distribute the videos only via social media, and to reject all prior proposals in regards to the Park District Request for Proposals (RFP) for video production services and distribution of the product.

There were discussions regarding the budget for the above options and number of spots to be contracted with each vendor.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to utilize Option 3 for video production and Option 1 for distribution:

OPTION 3-VIDEO PRODUCTION: Contract services to produce four (4) 15 second spots from each of the following companies:

- Lake Erie Video of Chardon, Ohio (\$1,400.00 for the first spot; \$450.00 for each subsequent 15 second spot)
- Aquent Studios of Eastlake, Ohio (\$4,680.00 per 15 second spot)

OPTION 1-VIDEO DISTRIBUTION: Air only on social media, i.e. YouTube, Facebook
2015 budget for Facebook advertising: \$200/month

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

BUDGET AMENDMENT #3, RESOLUTION NO. 16-15

The Board was provided the following Supplemental Appropriations and Revenue Certification requests for approval:

A Supplemental Appropriation was requested to add additional appropriations into the General Fund in the amount of \$33,879.62 as shown below:

General Fund (6017)

\$30,000.00 - Contracts - Projects Account (6017-057-00-601)

- To increase appropriations based on arbitration legal service invoice and estimates for the Observatory land swap legal services in order to replenish the appropriations budgeted for the year for general legal services.

\$3,879.62 - OPERS (6017-057-00-504)

- To increase appropriations based on receipt of the billing statement due from OPERS for the 2014 OPERS employee and employer contributions for Carol Gwartz which were not paid due to an error in the New World Accounting System maintained by the Geauga County Auditor and are now due at this time.

A Revenue Certification was requested to add certifications into the General Fund in the amount of \$12,721.05 as shown below:

General Fund (6017)

\$12,721.05 – Other Revenue - Refunds (6017-057-00-452.5703)

- Based upon the Workers' Compensation charge back program review of 2010-2013 claims resulting in a net due to the district.

Mr. Gertz made a motion to approve the Supplemental Appropriation and Revenue Certification, Budget Amendment No. 3, Resolution No. 16-15 as presented.

Mr. Orndorff seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

BUDGET AMENDMENT #4, RESOLUTION NO. 17-15

The Board was presented with a Supplemental Appropriation for approval as follows:

A Supplemental Appropriation was requested to add additional appropriations into the Land Improvement Fund in the amount of \$500,000.00 as shown below:

Land Improvement Fund (6015)

\$500,000.00 – Land Acquisitions (6015-057-00-802)

- To set appropriation level available for the Board of Park Commissioners for possible land acquisitions.

The Board reviewed the proposed amount of the Supplemental Appropriations request, and after discussions, requested the Supplemental Appropriation be increased to \$1,000,000.00 to insure funds are readily available for possible land acquisitions.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to increase Supplemental Appropriation request, Budget Amendment #4, Resolution No. 17-15 to \$1,000,000.00.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL

The Board was provided with the information and a copy of the policy for renewal of liability and cyber insurance with Love Insurance (the agency holding the Ohio Plan Insurance) for the period of April 25, 2015 thru April 24, 2016 for review and approval.

Mr. Gertz requested Ms. Pennell look into raising the deductible on car insurance from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 to determine if our policy rate could be reduced.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to renew the insurance policy with Ohio Plan, through Love Insurance, in the amount of \$77,076.00.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

Mr. Oros advised that there was a revision to the cost (memo provided at Board Meeting) with a revised cost of \$77,253.00.

Mr. Orndorff amended his motion to renew the insurance policy with Ohio Plan, through Love Insurance, in the amount of \$77,253.00.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

LEASE AGREEMENT – GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT & GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT FOUNDATION

The Board was provided with a copy of the 2015-2016 Lease Agreement between the Geauga Park District and Geauga Park District Foundation for lease of office space and equipment. This is a twenty year self-renewing lease that includes a 2% increase per year. No motion is required by the Board.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

The Board was asked to approve the following as Surplus Property. All questions by the Board were satisfactorily answered.

	Inventory No.	Description	Starting Bid
1	2165 E	HP xw6400 computer (old model)	Scrap
2	-	Delta saw buck frame & trim saw	\$20
3	-	Oak short pedestal	\$30
4	-	Hamilton drafting table w/slide arm	\$30
5	179-180 C	2 - Blue office chairs	\$20
6	1787 C	Stihl backpack blower	\$30
7	-	6 - 8 ft folding tables	Scrap
8	-	3 - 6 ft folding tables	Scrap
9	-	Misc. pictures from MC Loft	\$10

Mrs. Shumway made a motion to approve the items declared surplus as presented.

Mr. Orndorff seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway Yes
Mr. Gertz Yes
Mr. Orndorff Yes

COMMISSIONER’S TIME

Mrs. Shumway requested the Park District Special Mailer be pulled for spring, due to approval of video production which will be promoted via Social Media advertising. Mrs. Shumway was advised this had already done.

Mr. Gertz advised that he felt Mrs. Pilarczyk (GPD Human Resources Manager) should have been included during Executive Session of the April 11th Special Board Meeting because much of the discussion was directed at her department. He stated the consultant attending the meeting (Ellen Foley-Kessler) estimated that the Park District should have at least 88 applications, and questioned the amount of advertising that was done for the new Director. Mr. Gertz stated that it was being inferred that the Geauga Park District ('little brother') should be brought up to par with Lake County. Mr. Gertz stated that he did not appreciate some of the comments from Ms. Foley-Kessler and that Mrs. Pilarczyk has done an excellent job and he did not feel she (Ellen Foley-Kessler) was needed.

Mr. Orndorff stated that upon his appointment to the Geauga Park Board of Commissioners, he became aware of a previous Lake Metroparks Commissioner, Ellen Foley-Kessler. The Board met with Ms. Foley-Kessler at Mr. Orndorff’s request and with the agreement of the other Park Board Commissioners. Mr. Orndorff added that he and the other Commissioners have a strong interest in doing all things necessary to ensure an appropriate process is followed for the selection of a Director for the Park, and to get the

best possible candidate. Ms. Foley-Kessler has volunteered her time and experience to assist the Geauga Park District Commissioners in their selection process. Mr. Orndorff thanked Ms. Foley-Kessler for her time and sharing her knowledge.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to utilize Ellen Foley-Kessler as a volunteer Consultant to assist the Geauga Park District Board of Commissioners in selecting an Executive Director.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 2 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	No
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

Mr. Orndorff stated upon discussions with Ms. Foley-Kessler the Board believes it would be well-served to re-open the applications for the Executive Director and to extend the period in which to receive applications.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to extend the application process for the Executive Director position until May 30th 2015, and to ask Ms. Pilarczyk of the HR Department to re-publish the solicitation for applications for this position until May 30th 2015 and to utilize the US Parks and Recreation website for the posting of this position, which had not previously been done.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 2 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	No
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

Mr. Orndorff reported he visited Bass Lake Preserve and advised that the soccer goals have been removed. He added that he felt the volley ball net/posts were unobtrusive and suggested they remain. Mr. Orndorff stated he understands why some folks would be distressed about the backstop, with Mr. Oros reporting the backstop had been removed.

Mr. Orndorff reported he visited Frohring Meadows on numerous occasions and has never observed anyone utilizing the soccer field. He added that unless there was interest by a group or league that was interested in utilizing the soccer field he would be glad to have the soccer goals removed. Mr. Oros stated he feels this sends a tough message to staff, as it was the wish of the 2014 Park Board to add this equipment, but the Board is entitled to make these decisions.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to remove the soccer goals from Frohring Meadows.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 2 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	No
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

Mr. Orndorff commented on the questions raised by the public at the last Board meeting regarding the access to the recording or interim minutes. There were discussions on how quickly a recording, draft minutes or video of a Board meeting could be provided to the public.

Mr. Orndorff requested Mr. Ondrey review the process and existing policies regarding drafts of the Board minutes, and that he lay out and propose a procedure for providing transitory minutes, or other information of this nature to the public prior to the Board approving.

Mr. Orndorff stated that there is a strong ethic in the county that there should be careful consideration of any hunting and trapping, and he would like to insure the Park District's hunting and trapping procedure going forward is a reflection of what the three (3) current Board members agree on. He added that it is important the Board strikes the right balance between wildlife and game management. Mr. Orndorff stated he appreciated the comments Mr. Gingrich shared at the last Board meeting regarding the need for careful consideration of wildlife management plans.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion that there be a moratorium on all trapping and hunting on all Park District properties pending two things:

- 1) Consultation with the Ohio Department of Natural Resource, or other partners where appropriate for particular properties (joint ownerships or conditions) and that we consult with these partners about the wildlife management practices applicable for specific properties.
- 2) The Board receives staff recommendation to update our management plans, park specific as appropriate, for what we should be doing regarding hunting or trapping and have the Board decide what should be done in our Park system.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

Mr. Oros announced there will be a Special Board meeting on April 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Meyer Center wherein Western Reserve Land Conservancy will present on their organization, and an Agenda item to award the contract for improvements at Headwaters Park.

Mr. Oros stated that Sap's-a-Risin average attendance for two days was 535, the 4th highest average attended.

Mr. Ondrey stated that the Board did not make a motion to enter Resolution No. 18-15 into the record.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-15, honoring twenty-five (25) year employee Rod Fyfe.

Mrs. Shumway seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - below are comment summaries:

Ed Buckles, Troy Township, addressed the Board from the podium. Mr. Buckles complemented the Board on the productive meeting. Mr. Buckles inquired as to when the final results of the survey would

be available, and how the Park District was going to compensate for variables that would affect the outcome of the survey. Mr. McCue advised the consultant, Triad (who is responsible for tabulating the responses) had all surveys and that results should be available by the beginning of May. Mr. Buckles asked if the raw data would be available for review as a public record. Mr. Orndorff asked if he would like to place a public records request for survey raw data with Mr. Buckles advising that a request has been made. Mr. Orndorff stated he felt that we could provide the information once the Park District received it, but asked that Mr. Ondrey review and give his opinion on providing this information.

Kim Kingzet, Claridon Twp., addressed the Board from the podium. Ms. Kingzet stated she visited Observatory Park on the spur of the moment and said Park District staff did an amazing job. She visited the Park at 9:30 p.m. and there were many people still in attendance and staff was enthusiastically assisting people.

Pat Leech, Newbury Twp., addressed the Board from the podium. Ms. Leech commented on the legality of removing things from Park giving an example of asking a Naturalist if she could take an abandoned bird nest from the Park for her daughter who is a teacher. She was informed that nothing could be taken out of the Park. Ms. Leech said her point was that things cannot be taken out of the Park- people cannot hunt and/or trap and take animals from the Park. Ms. Leech stated she wanted to clarify the articles she and her husband put in the papers in that they are against hunting and trapping unless the Park Naturalist states that an animal has to be killed. If it is not deemed by the Park Naturalist it is not only cruel, it is illegal.

Mrs. Shumway inquired as to whether any reports RE: land acquisition would be available to the Board for review at the April 22nd Special Meeting. Mr. Oros reported they are being worked on. Mrs. Shumway asked for an update on the Nassau Station.

Mr. McCue advised he and Mr. Lombardy met with Charlie Knox, a member of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) who is very familiar with the Nassau Telescope's capabilities and limitations. He added that Mr. Knox provided the Park District with contact information for Peter Mack, an expert on telescope renovations. Mr. Mack will be providing the Park District with a cost proposal for restoration, and custom software that would be required if the Park District were to use the telescope for Park programs. The TAG committee will meet again on April 28th for further discussions.

John Augustine, Parkman Twp., addressed the Board from the podium. Mr. Augustine inquired whether Western Reserve Land Conservancy's presentation will be in open or executive session, being advised it is in open session and the public is invited to attend. Mr. Augustine suggested the proposed videos the Park District is contracting for should include information the eco-system services the Park District provides (clean air, recharges water tables, habitats for many animal and plant species). Mr. Augustine stated he felt the Board should consider putting some limitations on the hunting/trapping taking place on the Pinebrook property managed by the Landies, specifically limitations on any commercial trapping that may be taking place there. There were discussions regarding the terms of the Pinebrook Management Agreement. Mrs. Shumway requested Mr. Ondrey review the Pinebrook Management Agreement for legal authority.

Kathryn Hanratty, Chardon, addressed the Board from the podium. Ms. Hanratty complemented the Board on this meeting. She also inquired about the previously discussed Observatory Park land swap and requested an update. Mrs. Shumway stated the owners have withdrawn their offer.

Dave Partington, Munson Twp., addressed the Board from the podium. Mr. Partington expressed his gratitude for a civil meeting. Mr. Partington inquired whether the Park District carried a liability umbrella insurance that indemnifies the park against wrongful actions of employees and/or injuries to Park visitors or property damage to adjacent park properties. Ms. Pennell stated the Park District does carry medical liability coverage for Park patrons who might be injured while on Park property. Mr. Ondrey stated that the Park District enjoys recreational immunity which would limit the Park District's liability exposure for injuries that occur to individuals while on Park property. Mr. Ondrey stated the Park District could have exposure if the Park District caused damage to building or animals on property adjacent to the park district but damage should be covered under liability insurance.

Mr. Parkinson further inquired whether the Board anticipated Judge Grendell being featured in the proposed videos. The consensus of the Board was no, and that the videos are to feature the Parks.

Kathryn Webb, Munson Twp., addressed the Board from the podium. Ms. Webb thanked the Board for promptly responding and removing most of the objectionable equipment from Bass Lake. Ms. Webb also thanked Mrs. Shumway for acknowledging the comments directed to the Board.

Mr. Orndorff requested an update on the Bass Lake Club Agreement. Mr. Oros stated that the Agreement was renewed for 90 days pending discussions on whether the Park District wanted to continue providing Bass Lake Club with special status (boat racks, early lodge reservations). Mr. Oros suggested this item be put on the May Board meeting agenda. Mr. Orndorff inquired if there are reports providing Lodge/Shelter usage for the Park District to help determine whether the Park District should look into additional shelters. Mr. Oros advised these reports will be provided at a future meeting.

Mrs. Shumway stated EPA attorneys are requesting that Geauga Park District purchase 3 additional acres of property to compensate for the property at Bass Lake Preserve that is being utilized for activities, and they (EPA) may want the property returned to a Preserve only. Mrs. Shumway stated this request is due to calls placed to the EPA that provided them with incorrect information.

John Augustine, Parkman Township, addressed the Board from the podium. Mr. Augustine stated that he felt the Pinebrook acquisition was good for the Park District and that it is fortunate that the purchase took place as it protected the property from being utilized for gas drilling.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, personnel and union arbitration.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

The Board entered Executive Session at 5:20 p.m.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to come out of Executive Session

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3-0.

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:55 p.m. There were no items brought forward.

Mr. Orndorff made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Gertz seconded the motion and after roll-call voice vote, the motion was approved 3 – 0:

Mrs. Shumway	Yes
Mr. Gertz	Yes
Mr. Orndorff	Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE

It is declared that notification of this meeting and any business conducted therein by the Geauga Park District Board of Commissioners was in compliance with Ohio’s Sunshine Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

John Oros, Interim Director

Mary Ruth Shumway, President

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT

Board of Park Commissioners

April 14, 2015 - Regular

The Meyer Center

Exhibit "A"

Name	Organization/Company
Robert Klarsch	SPD Staff
Beverly Fuschach	Benton Resident
Neh Fuschach	Benton Resident
Don Lombardy	GPD
KATHY FLORE	THOMPSON
Shelley Chernik	Russell
BARB'S Dave Przymus	Museum
Phil + Tracy GARCIA	
John Augustin	Pacheco Resident
Nick Swool	Madison
Gayle Walker	Benton
Kathy Shelby	Chardon Twp.
James Wohlben	Benton
Mark Eckman	Chesterland
Laurie Winder	Benton
Ed Wee	Pond West
Jim Lurie	
Go Fedor	Russell
JERRY HAZENHEIMER	NOVELTY
Catherine Whityne	Museum
Kim Laurie	Jail/Probate Court
Betsy Luce	Chagrin Falls

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT

Board of Park Commissioners

April 14, 2015 – Regular

The Meyer Center

Name	Organization/Company
Paul + Sue Kiplinger	S. Russell
Elbert Whitehead	Mason
Helen R. Brean	Troy Township
Fran Green	Newport
Pat Keech	