

Minutes

The City of Traverse City and Charter Township of Garfield Recreational Authority Board of Directors

June 4, 2014

A regular meeting of the Recreational Authority Board of Directors was called to order in the Second Floor Large Meeting Room, Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Drive, Traverse City, Michigan, at 7:02 p.m.

The following Directors were present, constituting a quorum: Ross Biederman, Chair; Michael Groleau, Secretary (arrived 8:00 p.m.); Tim Hughes, Treasurer; Molly Agostinelli; Jeanine Easterday; and Matt McDonough.

The following Directors were absent (excused): Chris Bzdok.

Chair Biederman presided at the meeting.

1.

The first item being “Consideration of approving the minutes of the regular meeting of May 7, 2014,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individual addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director

Moved by Hughes, seconded by Agostinelli, that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 7, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED.

2.

The next item being “Overview of decision process for Traverse City Light & Power Wayne Street/Hickory Meadows transmission line project,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director
Tim Arends, TCL&P

No action was taken.

3.

The next item being “Updates regarding Event Facility Management Services for Historic Barns Park,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director
Susan Odgers, UnCommon Management

No action was taken.

4.

The next item being “Consideration of Grand Traverse Conservation District contract renewal for Hickory Meadows,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director
Robin Christensen, GTCD

Moved by McDonough, seconded by Easterday, that the Chair and Secretary be authorized to execute an agreement for resource management services with Grand Traverse Conservation District, for it to provide such services at Hickory Meadows through June 30, 2017, at a rate of \$19,000 annually, with funds available in the Operating Fund, Professional Services Line Item, such contract subject to approval as to its substance by the Executive Director and its form by General Counsel.

CARRIED.

5.

The next item being “U.S. EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant – consideration of proposals for environmental consulting services at Historic Barns Park,” Chair

Biederman introduced this matter. The following individual addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director

Moved by McDonough, seconded by Hughes, that the Chair and Secretary be authorized to execute a contract with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$33,885 for environmental consulting services at Historic Barns Park, subject to approval as to substance by the Executive Director and to form by General Counsel.

CARRIED.

6.

The next item being “Public hearing regarding budget amendments for Fiscal Year 2013/2014,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individual addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director

Chair Biederman opened the public hearing.

There being no one present desiring to speak, Chair Biederman closed the public hearing.

No action was taken.

7.

The next item being “Public hearing regarding the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 budget,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individual addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director

Chair Biederman opened the public hearing.

There being no one present desiring to speak, Chair Biederman closed the public hearing.

Moved by Easterday, seconded by Groleau, that the Resolution Approving Millage Rates for the Bond Issue Debt Millage and Operating Millage and Certifying Tax Levy Operational Millage for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015, be adopted.

CARRIED.

Moved by Easterday, seconded by Hughes, that the Resolution Adopting the City of Traverse City and Charter Township of Garfield Recreational Authority Comprehensive Annual Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015, be adopted.

CARRIED.

8.

The next item being “Consideration of beekeeping risk assessment for Historic Barns Park,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director
Karen Schmidt, BGHBP
Sarna Salzman, SEEDS
Michael Haynes, TC Community Garden

No action was taken.

9.

The next item being “Reports,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director
Michael Haynes, TC Community Garden
Sarna Salzman, SEEDS
Karen Schmidt, BGHBP

No action was taken.

10.

The next item being “Report regarding payment of expenditures,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individual addressed the Board:

Matt Cowall, Executive Director

No action was taken.

11.

The next item being “Public Comment,” Chair Biederman introduced this matter. The following individuals addressed the Board:

None.

There being no objection, Chair Biederman declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Matt Cowall, Executive Director