

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District (MCD) sitting as the Board of Directors of The River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict (RCIS) was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Beth G. Whelley, President, with Mark G. Rentschler, Vice President present. William E. Lukens, member, attended via teleconference.

Members of the staff in attendance were: Janet M. Bly, General Manager; and Rhonda K. Snyder, Secretary.

Members of the staff in attendance via teleconference: Michael P. Ekberg, Manager, Water Resources Monitoring and Analysis; Daniel K. Foley, Great Miami Riverway Director; Brenda Z. Gibson, Manager, Public Relations and Education; Sarah Hippensteel Hall, Manager, Watershed Partnerships; Kenneth P. Moyer, Treasurer; Donald P. O'Connor, Chief of Construction and Planning; Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration; Barry M. Puskas, Chief of Technical and Engineering Services; and Kurt A. Rinehart, Chief of Operations/Chief Engineer.

Legal counsel in attendance via teleconference: W. Chip Herin III, Coolidge Wall Co., LPA.

Guests in attendance via teleconference: None

COMPLIANCE WITH SUNSHINE LAW AND BYLAWS

The meeting was held in compliance with the Sunshine Law and MCD and Subdistrict Bylaws. The meeting information was posted on MCD's website. Miami Valley news media and individuals requesting such notification were notified of the meeting by first-class and/or electronic mail dated May 12, 2020.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Directors March 26, 2020, meeting were provided to members of the Board for review and comment.

M 2020-184

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Mr. Lukens, unanimously approved the Minutes for March 26, 2020.

Next, Mr. Moyer requested approval of the assessment rate for the 2021 assessments collection.

ASSESSMENT RATE FOR 2021 COLLECTION

Section 6101.53 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of Directors of a conservancy district, on or before the thirtieth of September of each year, may levy an assessment upon each tract or parcel of land and upon each political corporation for the purpose of maintaining, operating, and preserving the works of the district. Such assessment is to be known as a conservancy maintenance assessment. Said assessment shall not exceed one percent of the benefits without prior authorization of the Conservancy Court.

The following rate was recommended for the 2021 assessments collection.

Levy No.	Purpose	Rate*
20	River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict	.0040

*The rate is the same as 2020 assessments collection.

M 2020-185

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Mr. Lukens, unanimously adopted the following resolution.

R 2020-66

Resolved that in accordance with Section 6101.53 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Directors approve the recommended rate for the 2021 collection of assessments for The River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict and direct the Secretary to prepare the necessary assessment duplicates.

Next, Ms. Bly requested that the Board of Directors accept the following staff reports regarding RCIS activities.

M 2020-186

The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Lukens and seconded by Mr. Rentschler, unanimously accepted the following staff reports. The reports were provided to the Board of Directors for review prior to the meeting.

Maintenance

Staff removed the swings from the north section of the River Walk in Dayton. Staff also added caution tape to discourage use of benches along the south section of the River Walk in Dayton and Miami Bend Park in West Carrollton. These actions were taken to promote physical distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Staff removed a large accumulation of drift from the upstream side of the Great Miami River Recreation Trail bridge across Sycamore Creek in Miamisburg.

A section of the Great Miami River Recreation Trail downstream of the Montgomery-Warren county line has experienced erosion and damage to the pavement. Staff removed both edges of the asphalt trail and poured new concrete berms.

Great Miami Riverway

The Riverway launched a social media campaign from March 24–April 6 called "14-Days of Fresh Air and Virtual Activities" to promote the many ways to enjoy the Great Miami Riverway and its communities. The campaign was designed to address the COVID-19 outbreak in a positive way during a time when many businesses were closed and residents were stuck inside their homes. Each day, three local activities along the Great Miami Riverway were highlighted to drive engagement, action, and support for the many activities and businesses. The campaign ran on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. The total marketing touches were 66,210.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING

The Board members set Thursday, October 1, 2020, for the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District sitting as the Board of Directors of The River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict.

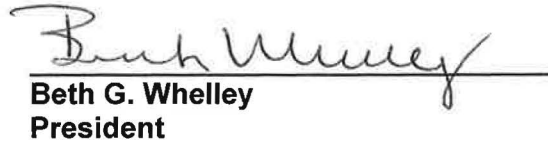
ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Rhonda K. Snyder
Secretary


Beth G. Whelley
President