

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 10:37 a.m. by Beth G. Whelley, President, with Mark G. Rentschler, Vice President and William E. Lukens, member, present. The meeting was held at the Sinclair Conference Center located at 444 West Third Street in Dayton.

Members of the staff in attendance: Janet M. Bly, General Manager; Rhonda K. Snyder, Secretary; James B. Casper, Operations and Maintenance Supervisor; 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: W. Chip Herin III, Coolidge Wall Co., LPA.

Guests in attendance: 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 electronic mail dated June 16, 2021.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Directors April 27, 2021, meeting were provided to members of the Board for review and comment.

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The Board of Directors, on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Mr. Lukens, unanimously approved the Minutes for April 27, 2021.

Next, Mr. Rinehart reported on inspections and maintenance activities. Mr. Foley reported on the Great Miami Riverway.

Inspections

MCD hired LJB, Inc., to inspect the Gayle B. Price cable-stayed bridge across the Great Miami River. The consultant completed the inspection in April, including a survey of reference points to measure deformation of the steel cables. LJB provided a report, which rated the bridge to be overall in good condition. The report recommended that MCD paint the structural steel components within the next few years. Short-term maintenance recommendations included adding riprap along the right abutment, trimming trees and vegetation on the right bank, and sealing cracks in the pavement at both approaches. The most recent bridge inspection was in 2018.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) performed a dam safety inspection at the South Montgomery County Low Dam in West Carrollton and Moraine on May 5. ODNR last inspected South Montgomery County Low Dam in 2016. MCD anticipates a formal inspection report from ODNR later this year.

Maintenance and Equipment

MCD purchased a truck-mounted blower for cleaning the trails. The blower has a 360-degree snout that can be aimed in any direction via an in-cab remote control. The blower replaces a tractor-mounted unit.

Great Miami Riverway

More than 125 people attended the 2021 Riverway Summit on April 30 held in the City of Hamilton.

The Great Miami Riverway Coalition met on May 20 to discuss progress toward the goals and provide input on Riverway activities.

The Great Miami Riverway hosted a Riverway Conversations webinar on May 25 with Alex Sherbinow, Marketing Manager with Johnson Outdoors and Old Town Canoe Co., one of America's largest manufacturers of canoes and kayaks.

The Summer Challenge, a three-month-long passport program, launched on June 1. The goal of the Summer Challenge is to encourage visitation to the Riverway. Participants download the new Great Miami Riverway app to play.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) in partnership with the Great Miami Riverway, announced a program to install location signs on 18 ODOT-owned bridges along the Great Miami River. The signage program will make it easier for first responders to locate paddlers in the event of an emergency on the water.

GRANT FUNDING UPDATE

Dr. Hall presented the following status update regarding a grant application previously approved by the Board of Directors.

Project Title: *Navigational Aids*

Description: To obtain replacement warning signs at low head dams in Hamilton and West Carrollton to alert river users to the safety issues of the dam.

Total Project Cost: \$6,680.00

Grant Amount Requested: \$6,680.00

Source: Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Watercraft

The Miami Conservancy District Match: \$0

Other Participants: N/A

Status: Application was submitted on October 29, 2020. ODNR notified MCD in an email dated June 4, 2021, that the grant funding request was approved.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING

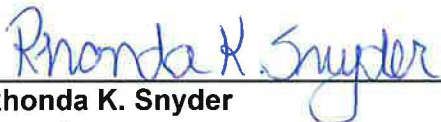
The Board members set Thursday, September 30, 2021, for the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District sitting as the Board of Directors of The River Corridor Improvement Subdistrict.

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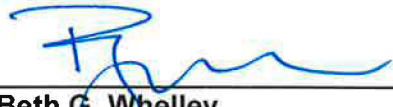
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Rhonda K. Snyder
Secretary



Beth G. Whelley
President