

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 11:20 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 at the regular meeting: Janet M. Bly, General Manager; Rhonda K. Snyder, Secretary; James B. Casper, Manager, Operations and Maintenance; Michael P. Ekberg, Manager, Water Resources Monitoring and Analysis; Brenda Z. Gibson, Manager, Public Relations and Education; Sarah Hippensteel Hall, Manager, Watershed Partnerships; Kenneth P. Moyer, Treasurer; Donald P. O'Connor, Chief Engineer; Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration; and Barry M. Puskas, Chief of Technical and Engineering Services.

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 September 21, 2021.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Directors June 24, 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 June 24, 2021.

Next, Mr. O'Connor reported on the Mad River Trail resurfacing project. Mr. Casper and Mr. O'Connor reported maintenance activities. Dr. Hall reported on the Great Miami Riverway.

Mad River Trail Resurfacing

Asphalt milling and resurfacing of the Mad River Recreation Trail from Eastwood Metropark to the Great Miami River is complete. There are a few small work items still to be completed. A&B Asphalt was the contractor for the project, and the Ohio Department of Transportation managed construction.

Maintenance

Staff removed sediment from the right bank beach area of the Great Miami River in Dayton downstream of the Main Street bridge. Removing the material provided drainage for the bike trail that frequently held water.

MCD hired a tree service to remove trees and brush on the right bank of the Great Miami River at the west end of the Gayle B. Price Bridge in accordance with the bridge inspection report and to remove a large tree that was in the levee near the Dayton Canoe Club.

Staff removed graffiti from multiple locations including the amphitheater in Dayton.

Great Miami Riverway

The Great Miami Riverway Coalition met on August 19 to discuss progress toward the goals and provide input on Riverway activities.

The Great Miami Riverway hosted a Riverway Conversations meeting in Hamilton on September 2 with Joshua Smith, City Manager of Hamilton, Pete Perticarini, President of &build, and Steve Coon, Historic Developers, LLC, to share the story of Spooky Nook.

The Summer Challenge, a three-month-long passport program, ended on August 31. The Summer Challenge increased visitation to the Riverway website, and the new Great Miami Riverway app was downloaded more than 1000 times.

Current Riverway agreements and funding commitments expire in 2022. At the partners' request, MCD drafted a description and budget for Riverway activities for the years 2022–2027. The organizations that are currently Coalition members and sponsors were sent new agreements for the 2022–2027 time frame. The proposed 5-year budget is \$846,250. The schedule is dependent on agreements with Coalition members committing sufficient funds by February 1, 2022, and could change if agreements are not executed at that time.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING


The Board members set Thursday, December 16, 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.


ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Rhonda K. Snyder
Secretary


Beth G. Whelley
President