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Board of Park Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 4, 2018
4:00 p.m. – 4:17 p.m.

McCloskey – City Hall
401 N. Morton St.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Kathleen Mills at 4:00 p.m.

Board Present: Ms. Kathleen Mills, Mr. Joseph Hoffman, and Ms. Darcie Fawcett

Staff Present: Ms. Paula McDevitt, Mr. Dave Williams, Ms. Kim Clapp, Mr. Steve Cotter, and Ms. Joanna Sparks

A. CONSENT CALENDAR - None

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS/APPEARANCES

B-1. Public Comment Period – None

C. OTHER BUSINESS

C-1. Review/Approval of Community Hunting Access Program Coordination Agreement with White Buffalo, Inc.

Mr. Steve Cotter, Natural Resources Manager, staff wishes to manage the deer population at Griffy Lake Nature Preserve. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has invited the department to participate in their Community Hunting Access Program (CHAP). The Department requires the services of a professional consultant in order to coordinate the hunt, recruit and train hunters, facilitate removal of harvested deer, and submit a report with hunt results and recommendations. Staff recommends the approval of this contract with White Buffalo, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. The Department is eligible for up to \$16,250 in CHAP funding to assist with the cost of the hunt.

Mr. Joe Hoffmann made a motion to approve the contract with White Buffalo, Inc. Ms. Darcie Fawcett seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board inquired, if this information has been shared with Veteran programs, and how many hunters are you anticipating?

Mr. Cotter responded, staff will try to reach out to Veteran programs. Over the six day hunt, there will be 220 hunting opportunities, 35 to 40 hunters are anticipated.

Mr. Joe Hoffmann made a motion to approve the Community Hunting Access Program contract with White Buffalo, Inc. Ms. Darcie Fawcett seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C 2. Review/Approval of Easements for Duke Energy Overhead Electric Line Burial – Switchyard Park

Mr. Dave Williams, Operations Director, the Department wishes to have the overhead electric lines buried at Switchyard Park. Staff recommends the Board grant Duke Energy two perpetual, non-exclusive easements to construct,

reconstruct, operate, patrol, maintain, repair, replace, relocate, add to , modify and remove, electric, and/or telecommunications line or lines, and all necessary equipment, for the underground, transmission and distribution of electrical energy, and technological purposes at the Switchyard Park. Pt. Parcel #53-08-08-100-700.000-009 and Pt. Parcel #53-08-09-207-019.000-009.

The Board inquired, if cabling for other services would be completed at the same time.

Mr. Williams responded, no that will be handled by the IT Department. They have an allocation in the budget to work with their subcontractors for this type of installation.

Mr. Joe Hoffmann made a motion to approve two easements to Duke Energy at Switchyard Park. Ms. Darcie Fawcett seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-3 Review/Approval of Vegetation Management on the Bloomington Rail Trail

Ms. Joanna Sparks, City Landscaper, for visibility and safety the Department wishes to control invasive plant species along the Bloomington Rail Trail. The Department requires the services of a professional consultant to control invasive purple wintercreeper following the initial clearing operations. The targeted species and any other susceptible invasive shrubs will be sprayed with a solution of 2.5% - 3% Triclopyr 3. Staff recommends the approval of this contract with Eco Logic, LLC in the amount of \$5911.68.

Mr. Joe Hoffmann made a motion to approve the partnership agreement with Eco Logic, LLC. Ms. Darcie Fawcett seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-4 Review/Approval of Addendum to with Eco Logic, LLC.

Mr. Steve Cotter, Natural Resource Manager, on April 10, 2018 the Department entered into a contract with Eco Logic, LLC, to provide plant data along 12 research transects in the Griffy Lake Nature Preserve. The goal of this project was to measure whether the 2017 deer cull was successful and to determine the level of deer browse pressure. Staff recommends the approval of this Addendum that will add the following to the scope of service: to analyze and interpret the collected data and make recommendation for future monitoring methods and deer management. The schedule for this project will be extended to November 23, 2018, and compensation will be increased by \$2,500.

Mr. Joe Hoffmann made a motion to approve the Addendum with Eco Logic, LLC. Ms. Darcie Fawcett seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

D REPORTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim Clapp, Secretary Board of Park Commissioners