

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE  
METROPOLITAN ZOOLOGICAL PARK AND MUSEUM DISTRICT**

St. Louis, Missouri  
December 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District was held via Zoom at 7733 Forsyth Boulevard, Suite 550, on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Robert Eggmann, Chair of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District (“District”), called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following Board Members were present:

Robert E. Eggmann	Thomas J. Campbell
Christine A. Chadwick	Pat Coleman
Thomas C. Mummert	Jill Nowak

Michelle Harris joined the meeting after roll call. Other persons attending the meeting included Michael A. Chivell from Armstrong Teasdale LLP, the District’s legal counsel and District employees: J. Patrick Dougherty and Matthew Pollock.

Public Comments: The Chair asked for public comments from those in attendance; no comments resulted.

Approval of the Minutes: The Chair called for the approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting held on September 29, 2020. Ms. Chadwick moved that the minutes be approved. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; Mr. Campbell suggested the revision of a typo in the motion language. The minutes, as revised, were approved with all members voting “Aye”.

Executive Director’s Report: Mr. Dougherty presented the District’s internal financial statements for September and October 2020. He also presented the 2021 Board meeting schedule and provided a brief update on the ZMD Shared Services Engagement’s progress.

Finance/Audit Committee Report: Mr. Mummert provided a brief update on the RFP for banking services and noted that a more detailed discussion would take place in closed session.

Communications Committee Report: Ms. Harris provided a brief overview of the plans for the abbreviated 2020 Report to the Community and announced that the Committee will hold a working meeting on December 16, 2020.

Report of Legal Counsel: Mr. Chivell had no report.

New Business: Mr. Pollock presented the Districts’ preliminary 2021 administrative budget document which included the projected 2021 tax receipts and administrative expenses. Several board members offered their observations. A discussion ensued.

For additional consideration, Mr. Pollock reported that the office refrigerator, copier, and printer may need to be replaced due to their age and the event of technical issues arising. The replacement of these items was not included in the 2021 budget. The board would be notified in the event any of these items would need to be replaced.

The Chair called for the approval of the proposed budget. Mr. Campbell moved to approve the 2021 administrative budget. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; a discussion ensued. The 2021 administrative budget was approved with all members voting "Aye".


Public Comments: The Chair asked for public comments from those in attendance; no comments resulted.

The Chair asked for a motion to go into Closed Session; pursuant to Section 610.021 (12) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri in order to negotiate a contract. Mr. Mummert moved to close the meeting. Ms. Chadwick seconded the motion. A roll call vote to approve the motion was taken. The motion passed with all members voting "Aye".

The Board went into closed session at 12:42 p.m.

The closed session of the meeting adjourned, and the regular meeting was reopened to the public at 1:08 p.m., and immediately adjourned upon motion. Minutes from the Closed Session of the meeting will be prepared by Mr. Pollock and filed at the office of Armstrong Teasdale LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Michelle Harris  
Secretary