

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District (MCD) sitting as the Board of Directors of The Aquifer Preservation Subdistrict (APS) was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by Mark G. Rentschler, President, with Beth G. Whelley, Vice President, and Michael H. van Haaren, member, present. The meeting was held at MCD headquarters located at 38 East Monument Avenue in Dayton.

Members of the staff in attendance at the regular meeting: MaryLynn Lodor, General Manager/Board Secretary; James B. Casper, Manager, Operations and Maintenance; Michael P. Ekberg, Manager of Monitoring and Analysis; Sarah Hippensteel Hall, Manager of Communications, Outreach, and Stewardship; Kenneth P. Moyer, Treasurer; Donald P. O'Connor, Chief Engineer; Christina M. Pfeiffer, Executive Assistant; and Shannon E. Phelps, Manager of Administration.

Legal counsel in attendance at the work session: Lee A. Slone, McMahan DeGulis LLP. Legal assistant, Margaret E. Saldivar, McMahan DeGulis LLP, was also in attendance.

Guests in attendance at the regular meeting: Keith Berger and Mike Flora of United Missionary Church. Seyed Allameh of East Third Properties, LLC, arrived at the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

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 meetings by electronic mail dated March 4, 2025, and amended March 5, 2025.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of December 18, 2024, were provided to members of the Board for review and comment.

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The Board of Directors, on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. van Haaren, unanimously approved the meeting minutes for December 18, 2024.

Next, Dr. Hippensteel Hall requested that the Board of Directors ratify a grant from the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA).

GRANT FUNDING RATIFICATION

In December 2023, the Board of Directors passed a resolution authorizing staff to submit grant funding applications for various purposes. Staff submitted the following grant request:

Project Title: *Research Proposal: Assessing Groundwater Vulnerability to Export in the Buried Valley Aquifer System*

Description: To understand the vulnerability of our region's groundwater to such exports and to ensure sustainable management of this crucial resource.

Total Project Cost: \$200,000.00

Grant Amount Requested: \$100,000.00

Source: Ohio Water Development Authority

The Miami Conservancy District Match: \$100,000.00

Other Participants: N/A

Status: Application was submitted on June 7, and additional information on July 9. OWDA requested MCD make a presentation to their grants committee and provide additional information on August 22. MCD was informed on November 6, 2024, the application was approved for funding.

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The Board of Directors, on motion by Ms. Whelley and seconded by Mr. van Haaren, unanimously approved staff action regarding the OWDA grant funding request.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

During their December 18, 2024, meeting, the Board members set the following dates for the 2025 regular meetings of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District:

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

In addition, the Board members set the following date for a special meeting of the Board of Directors of The Miami Conservancy District:

Thursday, May 22, 2025

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Rentschler and seconded by Mr. van Haaren at 1:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



MaryLynn Lodor
General Manager/Board Secretary



Mark G. Rentschler
President