

MACOMB COUNTY ZOO AUTHORITY
MINUTES

At a meeting of the Macomb County Zoo Authority held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 9:30 am in the Macomb County Administration Building, 8th Floor Media Room, Mt. Clemens MI, the following members were in attendance:

Diane Banks	Jim Sawyer
Tom Kalkofen	Stacy Ziarko
Marilyn Lane	

Others Present:

Ron Kagan, Executive Director/CEO- Detroit Zoological Society
Daniel Hart, Plante Moran
Victoria Marchione, Executive Secretary, Office of the County Executive

There being quorum of the Authority present the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Marilyn Lane, supported by Stacy Ziarko No additions or corrections.

Roll Call Vote - **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko; **Nays** - 0

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 9, 2021

Motion by Marilyn Lane, supported by Stacy Ziarko.

Roll Call Vote - **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko **Nays** - 0

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Open to the public 9:34 am - no members of the public present; closed at 9:34 am

PLANTE MORAN REVIEW OF PRE AUDIT LETTER

Dan Hart reviewed annual audit report indicating it is consistent with previous years. Tom questioned property tax revenue, Dan will follow up. Motion to receive and file made by Tom Kalkofen, supported by Marilyn Lane. Roll Call Vote – **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko **Nays:** 0 **MOTION**

CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2022

No public present. Opened/closed at 9:41 am

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED BUDGET RESOLUTION 2021

Motion to amend contract services to \$2700 and approve the proposed budget made by Tom Kalkofen, supported by Stacy Ziarko. Roll Call Vote – **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko; **Nays:** 0

MOTION CARRIED

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN L-4029

Motion to approve made by Tom Kalkofen, supported by Marilyn Lane. Roll Call Vote – **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko; **Nays:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE LEGAL NEWS INVOICE FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION SERVICES

Motion to approve made by Marilyn Lane; supported by Diane Banks. Roll Call Vote-**Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko; **Nays:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

PRESENTATION BY THE DETROIT ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

This is Ron Kagen’s last meeting with the Macomb County Zoo Authority before his retirement. The Macomb County Zoo Authority thanked him for his leadership and service to the zoo. Update from Ron Kagen. The search for the next CEO should be completed by next month. Discussed new elected board members Diane Banks and Andrew Blake. The zoo will be giving COVID vaccinations to the more susceptible animals. Sea Otter Habitat is new. The sea otters were rescued in California. Only zoo in the US to have polar bear cubs this year. Attendance has been very good, although there are still capacity limits in place due to COVID.

ROTATING AUTHORITY MEMBERS TO ZOO BOARD

The Macomb County Zoo Authority can appoint two members to the Detroit Zoological Society (DZS) Board. The appointments will be determined as follows: The chair position will serve on the DZS board consistent with their term on the Zoo Authority (which is a 3 year term). The 2nd appointment to the DZS Board will be a 2 year term and will rotate amongst interested board members beginning with the Spring 2023 meeting.

Motion to approve board appointments and term rotation made by Marilyn Lane, supported by Stacy Ziarko.

Roll Call Vote- **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko **Nays** – 0
MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

Next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2022 at 9:30 am at the Macomb County Administration Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 10:11 am was made by Marilyn Lane, supported by Tom Kalkofen
Roll Call Vote – **Ayes:** Lane, Banks, Kalkofen, Sawyer, Ziarko; **Nays** - 0
MOTION CARRIED

Next meeting scheduled for March 22, 2022 at 9:30 am at the Macomb County Admin Bldg.