

RESOLUTION REGARDING QUESTIONS TO THE ELECTORS AS TO WHETHER ONE OR MORE PUBLIC PARKS ARE TO BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN RUSSELL TOWNSHIP

Board of Trustees of Russell Township, Geauga County, Ohio

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2016, the Russell Township Board of Trustees, in Regular Session, unanimously passed a motion to accept a petition and signatures collected by Russell residents asking the Board of Trustees to move forward with forming a park district under R.C. Chapter 511;

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2016, the Russell Township Board of Trustees, in Regular Session, unanimously passed a motion to deliver the signatures collected to the Geauga County Board of Elections and ask that they be verified as registered voters in Russell Township;

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2016, the Russell Township Board of Trustees received written validation of 332 signatures of Russell Township electors from the Geauga County Board of Elections;

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2016, the Russell Township Board of Trustees, in Regular Session, unanimously passed Resolution 2016-14, a Resolution to Certify Petition to Common Pleas Court – Certificate, instructing the Russell Fiscal Officer to transmit a certified copy of said resolution to the Geauga County Court of Common Pleas;

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2016, the Russell Township Fiscal Officer did in fact transmit Resolution 2016-14 Certificate including related documents of petitions brought before the Russell Township Board of Trustees and requested the Court accept the Certificate pursuant to O.R.C. 511.18;

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2016, the Honorable Judge Forrest W. Burt, in the Court of Common Pleas, Geauga County, Ohio considered Certificate of Resolution 2016-14, determined the court's jurisdiction pursuant to RC 511.18, accepted said certification, and authorized the Russell Township Board of Trustees to organize a new park district within Russell Township's unincorporated area a free public park pursuant to R.C. Chapter 511;

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2016, the Russell Township Board of Trustees, in Special Session, unanimously passed motions to appoint residents Betsy Rader, Erik Gerard, and Roy Podojil to serve as volunteer Russell Township 511 Park Commissioners pursuant to R.C. Chapter 511;

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2017, the Russell Township Board of Trustees, in Regular Session, unanimously passed a motion to accept the R.C. Chapter 511 Park Board Report entitled "Russell Township Citizens' 511 Park Commission Report and Recommendations" as required under O.R.C 511.20;

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2017, the Russell Township Fiscal Officer cause to published, legal notice – "Submission of Question to Form O.R.C. 511 Park District – Russell Township" in 2 newspapers of general circulation serving the Russell Township community pursuant to O.R.C. 511.21;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Russell Township Board of Trustees that the following shall be printed on the ballot for the Russell Township electors to vote on November 7, 2017:

YES SHALL A PUBLIC PARK OR NO PUBLIC PARKS BE ESTABLISHED IN RUSSELL TOWNSHIP?

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Trustee MR. Mueller moved to adopt this RESOLUTION and Trustee MR. GABRAM seconded the motion. On roll call, the following Russell Township Trustees voted on this 19th day of July, 2017:

<u>Justin Madden</u>	<u>absent</u> Vote
<u>James Mueller</u>	<u>aye</u> Vote
<u>Gary Gabram</u>	<u>aye</u> Vote

I, Charles Walder, Fiscal Officer of the Russell Township Board of Trustees, Geauga County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a legally convened Board meeting held on July 19, 2017.

Charles E. Walder
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APPROVED AS TO FORM
[Signature]
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