

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION TO ABOLISH THE EATON COUNTY PARKS
AND RECREATION COMMISSION UNDER PUBLIC ACT 261 OF 1965
AND RE-ORGANIZE THE EATON COUNTY PARKS
DEPARTMENT UNDER PUBLIC ACT 156 OF 1917**

Commissioner Lautzenheiser moved the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Mulder.

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission was established by Board of Commissioners resolution on November 19, 1969 and provided the authority pursuant to Public Act 261 of 1965, as amended, to have the general responsibility to oversee the maintenance and operation of the Eaton County Parks system by resolution on October 27, 1975; and

WHEREAS, a restructuring of the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission as a County Parks and Recreation Department under Public Act 156 of 1917, as amended, is desirable.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, hereby abolishes the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission under Public Act 261 of 1965, as amended, and re-organizes the County Parks and Recreation Department under Public Act 156 of 1917, being MCL 123.51 *et seq.*, as a County agency under the general control of the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, effective upon the transfer of all Park properties to the County of Eaton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all authority and responsibility for the maintenance and operation of the County Parks system is hereby transferred from the existing Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission to the re-organized Eaton County Parks and Recreation Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all contracts for goods and/or services involving the Parks and Recreation Commission as a party are hereby assigned from the existing Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission to the Eaton County Board of Commissioners, and shall continue in full force and effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all current rules and regulations governing the use of County Parks shall continue in full force and effect, unless and until they are amended or repealed by the Board of Commissioners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that except as otherwise provided herein, all operations and activities of the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Department, including purchasing, contracting, employment, financial services, management information services, and budget development, adoption and implementation, shall be conducted in accordance with the policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Commissioners for County departments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners or its designee shall appoint a Parks Director, who shall be a County employee under the supervision of the Controller/Administrator; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners may authorize such employees as are necessary to assist the Parks Director in the maintenance and operation of the Parks system, subject to budgetary limitations, which persons shall be County employees and supervised by the Parks Director; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall supersede any and all other Resolutions establishing or amending the governing organizational structure of the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eaton County Parks and Recreation Commission is hereby abolished, effective upon the transfer of all Park properties to the County of Eaton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Eaton County Board of Commissioners Resolutions regarding the Parks Commission dated November 19, 1969 and October 27, 1975 are hereby rescinded.

Roll call. Ayes: Barnes, Mulder, Augustine, Haskell, Pearl-Wright, Whitacre, Mudry, Brehler, Ridge, Lautzenheiser, Mott and Whittum. Nays: Droscha, Reynnet and Rogers. Motion carried.