



LAGRANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

MINUTES

February 15, 2024 7:00 PM

Maple Wood Nature Center

PRESENT: John Egli, Julia Wolheter, Paul Baker, Perry Miller, Eric Maginn joined electronically

ALSO PRESENT: Mary Franke, Emily Wolfe

MINUTES: Paul Baker moved, and Perry Miller seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the **January 18, 2024**, meeting. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Eric Maginn moved, and Paul Baker seconded a motion to approve **February 2024** docket claims. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Tetrick Property

Attorney has prepared resolution for purchasing the Tetrick property from LaGrange County Community Foundation. Paul Baker moved, and Julia Wolheter seconded a motion to approve Resolution #2024-02-15. Motion carried.

Mary Franke also shared the attorney-prepared Purchase Agreement that will be used for the upcoming transaction.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Purchasing Rules Resolution

Mary Franke shared resolution with Park Board to review and consider for approval at the next board meeting.

B. Director's Report

1. County Council approved and passed the following in regards to Parks Dept.:
Resolution 2024-01-12-B : Tetrick Property Purchase
Ordinance 2024-02-12-C : Reestablishing Nonreverting Park Operating Fund
Ordinance 2024-02-12-D : Reestablishing Nonreverting Park Gift Fund
Ordinance 2024-02-12-E : Amending County Department of Parks & Recreation
2. Archery Targets and inserts are ordered & due to arrive soon. The approved budget was \$8,000 and the purchase came to \$7,983.
3. Tapped trees Monday, February 5. Made 26 gallons of syrup last week and 5 gallons so far this week. School tours begin February 27.
4. Will have sugar shack open on Saturdays March 2 and 9 for public to visit.

5. Dallas Lodge improvements: Porch soffit and insulation is complete. Will get windows next month. Getting bathroom floor quotes soon.
6. An amended Park Rules Ordinance is being drafted. Mary Franke asked board members to consider what they would like revised.

ANY AND ALL OTHER BUSINESS:

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Wolfe, for Ardala Hepler
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