



LAGRANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES
September 24, 2020
7:00PM

PRESENT: John Egli, Bob Arnold, Paul Yoder, Ardala Hepler, & Julia Wolheter

ALSO PRESENT: Mary Franke, Leslie Arnold, Richard Muntz, Terry Martin

MINUTES: Paul Yoder moved and Julia Wolheter seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Atwood Beach – Muntz is to find out when closing will be. Two to three weeks.

USFWS Fen Project- Jim Larimer closing costs are \$55 more than original cost. He wants the Park Board to pay the extra. Julia Wolheter moved and Bob Arnold seconded a motion to pay the \$55 fee. Motion carried. There is a possible new land purchase available-12 ½ acres. Robert Agley owns this land.

Duff Lake/Mike Metz Fen LWCF – John Egli signed the contract. With lumber prices so high, project waiting on bid packet. Boardwalks may have to wait awhile.

LCCF Disc Golf grant – Blue Heron is working on maintenance, etc. right now.

2021 budget – Budget has been approved as submitted. We are now waiting to be approved by the State.

Maple Wood – REMC will be out on October 14. Their crew will get the “hangers” etc and all clean up as needed. Bless you REMC!

Horse enclosures at Delt are done and water is available for horses.

NEW BUSINESS:

Relay for Life- We agreed with all program plans except the Chinese lanterns.

LCCF grant for Leslie’s Forest School-money started out at \$500 for tools. LCCF said we needed to ask for more funds. A canoe trailer is needed and the request was okayed, so the grant is now a total of \$5240.

Bob moved and Julia seconded a motion to approve the above. Motion carried.

Secretary search – Mary Franke chose Emily Wolfe as the new secretary. She will be a multi job worker as she is needed.

Ordinances: Kurt Bachman’s office is redoing the LaGrange County ordinances. See Park Department update wording. Changes to update are being written.

Julia Wolheter moved and Paul Yoder seconded a motion to accept the above changes listed on sollution #2. Motion carried.

Volunteer application form being recommended. Richard Muntz to look it over and present at next meeting.

John Egli presented the minutes from the executive session held on August 27, 2020. Bob Arnold moved and Paul Yoder seconded a motion to approve the executive session minutes from August 27, 2020.

Hired, September 10, 2020, Mary Franke as Director and George DeWald as Superintendent at wages approved at the last HR/County Council meeting.

Paul Yoder moved and Bob Arnold seconded a motion to accept these two employees and their new positions. Motion carried.

Claims- Julia Wolheteer moved and Bob Arnold seconded a motion to approve the September claims as presented. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ardala Hepler, secretary
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