



LAGRANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
MINUTES
February 25, 2021
7:00PM

PRESENT: Ardala Hepler, Bob Arnold, John Egli, Eric Maginn, Paul Yoder, Julia Wolhete

ALSO PRESENT: Mary Franke, Richard Muntz, Terry Martin, Emily Wolfe

MINUTES: Bob Arnold moved and Paul Yoder seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Grants: Mike Metz Fen LWCF Project – Bid Packets will go out next week and will be ready for next board meeting. Discussed a new deed with protections clause as requested by the DNR. DNR wants all of Pine Knob property on one deed. Discussed getting quotes for survey to combine all properties into one.

ADA Projects – Will start soon. The countertops have been ordered. Concrete work will start when the ground thaws.

Kubota RTV-X900 Quotes – Received three quotes: Stutzman Power \$11,444.80; Rigg's Outdoor Power \$10,992.00; More Farm Stores \$12,075.00. The 2004 Gator will be taken as a trade-in. Julia Wolhete moved and Eric Maginn seconded motion to accept quote from Stutzman Power. Decision based on supporting local business and being closer for repair work. Motion carried.

DR Power Wagon – Received three quotes: County Line Engine \$2,249.91; Stutzman Power \$2,359.00; Rigg's Outdoor Power \$2,249.99. Paul Yoder moved and Julia Wolhete seconded motion to accept quote from County Line Engine. Motion carried.

Archery Targets – Already purchased 8 large targets through online auction and saved nearly \$800 from full retail price. Need to order inserts yet for \$2,272.99. Bob Arnold moved and Eric Maginn seconded motion to accept target insert price of \$2,272.99. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maple Syrup Sale – March 20th & 21st. Will be a Drive-Through Sale. Saturday 8am-3pm and Sunday 11am-3pm.

Summer Programs – Sam Plew will be gone this summer. We will need to hire someone new for summer camp director. Sam Plew will offer suggestions. Life Guards will be needed. We had 3 life guards on duty last year. It is difficult to find people for the life guard position with present salary available.

Canoe Trailer Quotes -- Received three quotes: Spreuer & Son \$1,450.00 Yoder & Son \$2,704.40; Mysportboats.com \$4,259.00. Paul Yoder moved and Eric Maginn seconded motion to accept quote from Spreuer & Son. Motion carried.

Naturalist Report – Leslie Arnold left her written report for all to review.

Other – Relay for Life – to be held September 25, 2021 at Delt Church Park. Christine Yoder sent a letter with requests for the event. Request for Chinese lanterns is denied. Request for luminary service on the ground is approved with a LaGrange fire unit on hand. Request for 2 or 3 canopies (10x10 size) is approved. Request for food trucks is approved for 3 as maximum. Bob Arnold moved and Julia Wolheter seconded to approve the above decisions. Motion carried.

Other – Special Occasion Events – Mary will work on a policy and application for future special events like and similar to the Relay for Life Event. Other parks already have this paperwork for special events.

CLAIMS:

Eric Maginn moved and Ardala Hepler second a motion to accept February claims as presented. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ardala Hepler, Secretary
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