

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting
December 12, 2022

MINUTES--DECEMBER

WAYNE COUNTY AUDITOR

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:02 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:..Tom .R..No..Diane X.. Mike..X..Marty..X..Garrett..No..Kenny..X..Brittany..No..and Linda Allen..x. Don Seams from Wayne County BOS was in attendance to fill vacancy of Tom Swearingin. Swearingin attended his last meeting in October. He reported it would be his last and stated he enjoyed working for and with the Wcc Board. The Board members all thanked him for his time and work completed over the past years. (Secretary memo: Linda missed adding this segment to her October minutes.LA)

Guest or Public: Guest in attendance was Steve Benjamin of Allerton. Steve is a neighbor to the Blount family in Allerton. Lorena Blount passed away a few days ago and several people in Allerton want to support a special memorial to her. She spent countless hours working for and in the park to promote it. Her family named Bob White as a memorial in lieu of flowers. Several ideas were presented and will be addressed thru the WCC foundation and Board members by monies received. Benjamin presented the WCC Foundation with a \$200 check from his family.

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

November minutes were approved as corrected. Motion to approve by Lewis. Motion for second by Nickel. Motion Carried. All ayes

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION: Continued work with Taylor Bloomquist(replacement for Amber) and Stacy Gibbs on playground area. Trees need to be removed before playground can be put up. Banks filled Seams in on the playground plans. Roger Winslow is a donor of monies to support this project. Continued to work with Rodger Gipple about land transaction. Banks feels the cost of this land would override its usefulness. Received information on Winterfest. Wcc staff planning to attend Winterfest. There will be no chain saw safety course this year. Our Naturalist is certified to do managed fire burns. Snow needs to be certified and Arnold be re-certified. Banks noted Snow needs an L180 class. Nickel made the motion to send Banks, Arnold and Snow to the Winterfest classes. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes. Dates for Winterfest classes are January 24-25-26th.Permit holders are now cutting. See Ashleigh's report.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda by Lewis. Second by Nickel. Motion carries. All ayes.

F. REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report Have burned at CLP & BW. Thirteen trash cans picked up from Corydon . They are being cleaned and painted where needed and park ID marked on them. Tubing and orange fencing put around newly planted trees to help protect from animals. Youth bow season on at BW and closes January 10th. Banks had to fix a tire on tractor and they were unable to do a fire burn @ Medicine Creek due to dry conditions.

2. Assistant Director – Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report

3. Naturalist: See attached report to minutes. Asheigh treated the bee hives for varroa mites with oxalic acid. She reached 722 people with her programs.

Lewis made motion to approve all reports. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

- G. APPROVAL OF BILLS: Schroeder made the motion to approve the bills. Lewis made the second. Motion carried. All ayes. Claims were submitted for payment. Claims list for month signed by Schroeder, WCCB Vice Chairperson.

- H. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Still working on 548 Rewilding Project with Roger Gipple and will advise Board of decision when determined.
- b. Still working on some of the camp pads @ BW campground as weather permits .
- c. Received trash cans from City of Corydon and showed to Board members. Very pleased with. They are sturdy and heavy.
- d. Received the new chainsaw sharpener and works great.
- e. Still cutting Ash Trees @ CLP for permit holders. Have cut 10 trees down. Cutting less and letting them get worked up before cutting more.

- I. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Burning and cutting in prairie @ BW while the weather is still good
- B. BW campground is officially closed. All hunters gone, gates closed and electricity off. C & E trucking is still picking up trash at shop and director residence.
- C. Looking @ grants to build a bathroom, like LSP, at CLP where the new playground equipment is going. Members noted lots of grants available. One mentioned was Grand River Mutual. The borders around playgrounds at parks are liked by all.
- D. Still working on some of the camp pads @ BW Campground
- E. Will be off for Christmas. Banks reported the staff took off Monday following Christmas and will do so for New Years Da also.
- F. Looking into Winterfest
- G. New chainsaw sharpener received and been put to use. Banks very happy with.
- H. Put outside equipment in the new shop @ LSP and back shed for winter
- I. Got a card for Lorena Blount family. It was signed by all WCC staff.
- J. Board got to see cleaned and painted trash cans for BW. They are a nice improvement for shelter houses.
- K. Total camping revenue from July 1st through December is \$38,160

- J. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

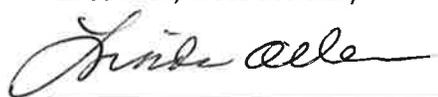
1. Banks and Allen made suggestions to put up signs in parks the first of June that prepayments for July camping be made by separate check or cash. Use a separate camping coupon and dated July 1st. The requirement to help keep fiscal year monies separate and accurate for both offices.
2. Nickel asked if liners were available for the new trash cans/ Banks has them.
3. Schroeder asked Banks for his most wanted item for parks. It was a Bobcat skid steer. It would several pieces of equipment. Banks noted his blade is one acquired from city of Allerton. Schroeder noted Langtree had recently given out a large grant and might be worth pursuing.

- K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lewis at 7:20 PM. Nickel made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye.
Meeting adjourned.

Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

Tom Rockhold, Chairman or Diane Schroeder, Vice Chair Person.



Next Regular Meeting January 9, 2023

1-9-2023

Claims - 2022 December

Utilities	First Interstate Bill
Regular Bills	Not common bills
Grundy Electric	\$28.26
City of Lineville	\$24.72
GRM Network	\$131.58
Cell Phone	\$50.00
Rathbun Regional	\$96.35
Clarke Electric	\$162.14
Allerton Lumber	\$22.86
Dollar General	\$25.68
Total	\$541.59

Tom Rockhold
WCCB Chairman

Diane Olson Schroeder
WCCB Vice - Chairman

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1-9-2023

