# Wayne County Conservation Board Regular Board Meeting For May 8, 2023

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Meeting called to order at 5:55 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R	X_	_Don_X	_ Diane_X	_Mike_no	Marty_no	Garrett-
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**Guest or Public:** 

#### C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

April minutes were approved. Motion to approve by Schroeder. Motion for second by Seams. Motion Carried. All ayes

D. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION</u>: Ashleigh's report. Plans to get Reap Community back together for available funds and grants. Working with Stacey and Jared from City of Corydon on the playground renovation and tree removal. The City of Corydon to take bids for tree removal and stump grinding. Kenny and Jared are going to mark the trees to be removed. Banks plans to close park when tree removal starts and use Osha guidelines for work area. The workday event for students from Wayne Community School to pick up sticks, limbs, and trash at Corydon Lake Park (Mrs. Grismore) went very well. The young people had several big brush piles and were very productive. End of school year activities for Mormon Trail students at Lakeside Park is in planning stages.

### E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda by Abel .Second by Schroeder . Motion carried. All ayes

#### F. REPORTS:

- 1. Director Kenny Banks; director report: Banks has concerns about Green truck. He afraid torque converter maybe going out. Summer work schedule is in full force.
- 2. Assistant Director Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report

- Naturalist: See attached report to minutes. Asheigh busy last month. Been working with Honey bees and helping with mowing and office.
   Schroeder made motion to approve all reports. Rockhold made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.
- G. <u>APPROVAL OF BILLS:</u> Abel made the motion to approve the bills. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

Twenty four claims were submitted for payment. Claims list for month signed by Tom Rockhold, WCCB Chairman.

#### H. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Lorena's Memorial, (Allerton Play Committee Donation) They reported they are buying a memorial bench in her memory for BW Park.
  - i. Haven't received yet
- b. Adding to piled brush at Prairie piece for fall reburn.
- c. Cutting Ash Trees @ CLP & BW is done until after camping season, unless hazardous
- d. Steve Benjamin started working part time this season.
- e. Budget approved for upcoming fiscal year.
- f. Banks has received paperwork from DNR to pursue a new basketball court @ BW campground.
- g. When trees removed and cleared from CLP, the playground will start and a new restroom like LSP will be pursed.

# I. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. All campgrounds and bath houses are open for the season.
- B. Grounds cleanup, mowing and trimming are being done for memorial weekend.
- C. Raising prices at campgrounds: All board members thought it was time to raise camping fees. Seams made motion to raise nightly camping fees to \$20.00 effective July 1, 2023 at all parks. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.
- D. Sewer project at Bobwhite needs done: Banks has contacted Snyder to do the 200ft of sewer line. Will need around 1700ft of pipe. Would like to do in July or August before winter. Abel made the motion to approve repair to sewer line. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. nAll ayes.
- E. Still working on some of the camp pads at Bobwhite Campground
- F. Green Ford torque converter code is on: Discussion on how much more to spend on the truck. Banks will do further checking and get estimates.
- G. Job descriptions request from Jack on hold till rainy day.
- H. New trash cans in parks look very nice. One in CLP was pushed over . They are sturdy enough to take abuse.

- I. We are officially in spring/summer mode now
  - a. Camping: Grounds fill up early in week.
  - b. Shelter rentals: Three to four reservations already
  - c. Weddings: one upcoming in BWP
  - d. Etc.
- J. Obtained newer printer for office on Tuesday. Courthouse updated theirs.
- K. Lake renovation:
  - a. Talked with Velvet (MG) and Brian. Our lakes don't seem to be a priority from higher command to do anything for.
- L. Will be attending the Department Head meeting on Wednesday concerning state auditor request to change salaried employees to same pay period as seasonal workers.

# J. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

- 1. Schroeder asked Banks who cleaned out building acquired from City of Humeston. Banks reported he saw people working on it and assumed it was City workers. She asked if any items were left when they were given the keys. Banks reported it was empty and they replaced the locks and moved Conversation items to it. She said an old emergency alarm system had been stored their and they were looking for it.
- 2. Allen will be on vacation during the next Regular meeting.

## K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Abel at 6:45 PM. Rockhold made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye.

Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

Next Regular Meeting June 12, 2023

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# Claims - 2023 May

Utilities	First Interestate Bill
Regular Bills	Not common bills
C & E Trucking	\$240.00
GRM Network	\$131.59
Cell Phones	\$50.00
City of Lineville	\$24.72
Alliant Energy	\$757.83
Grudy Electric	\$356.24
Rathbun Regional	\$108.00
Clarke Electric	\$149.71
Allerton Lumber	\$263.28
Midwest Sanitation	\$37.44
CarQuest	\$7.38
MFA	\$2,892.93
Clayton Plumbing & Heating	\$47.81
Don's Jons LLC	\$400.00
Johnston Repair	\$243.00
Dollar General	\$19.00
L.W. Electric	\$745.50
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	\$118.64
Baker's Repair	\$256.01
Ashleigh Arnold	\$196.47

Total \$7,045.55

Tom Rockhold

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# Office/Maintenance Report

 $(May 9^{th} - June 12^{th} 2023)$ 

- > Input the claims into excel sheet
- > Filed claims after writing them up
- Read e-mails
- Turned in claims when due into courthouse
- > Took phone calls
- Wrote up list for monthly claims
- Worked on agenda and minutes for meeting
- > Opened mail as it came in
- Retrieved claims from courthouse for board
- Worked on bills w/ Kenny, Brittany & Linda
- > Reserved and cleaned shelters for rentals
- Ron still out
- > Do timesheet promptly
- Put information in order for meeting
- Posted board meeting at office and on Facebook
- Cleaned office/ Covid style
- Work w/ Michelle; Auditor; & Amanda; Treasurer office
- Maintain Facebook page
  - Ash/Britt are working on updates
- Spring schedule
  - o Rounds, trash @ all parks
- Cleaned the shop/put away tools
- Work w/ Kyle Jensen and Helga Offenburger IDNR, and Bruce, IDNR Hatchery
- Working w/Taylor & Stacy, City of Corydon, for grants, parks/rec.
  - Working on playground w/ City of Corydon
    - October start date
- Ash is maintaining the hives
- Leveling camp pads @ BW
- > Picking up brush from cut down trees with skidder and black dump trailer
- > Take meter reading on the first of month for Rathbun @ BW
  - New electronics @ LSP
- Made multiple trips to MCWA
- Clean white truck
- Cut trees out of prairie
  - Still more to cut
  - Piling into burn pile in prairie
- Cutting hazard trees @ CLP
  - Mostly done in high use areas
  - Slowed down
- Green ford torque converter trouble
  - Gommatt picking up truck Tuesday
- Working on doors, console & seat on old K-9 vehicle
  - Back doors, windows now working
    Console and 2<sup>nd</sup> row seats installed

  - Need a spare tire
  - Working on compressor

- Mowing and trimming at every park
- Clean bath houses in every park
- Attended safety meeting
- Attended department head meeting
- Attended meeting with IDNR
- Staff safety meeting
- Took complaints about lake @ MG, BW, CLP, LSP
- Spoke w/ Brian DeMoss; NRCS
- Ordering tables
- Cleaning up wood from cutting down trees
- > Work on safety inspection sheet
- Check all park areas and storage buildings
- Getting MCWA food plot area ready Will plant in August
- > Push the brush up at the BW boneyard
- School kids came to LSP for end of year fun
- Bag leaves @ CLP
- Talked with Norris Forman; @ MG
  - Has rock w/asphalt for sale
- Pick up new printer
  - Need to get rid of old printer
- Bakers returned saws
  - 2 small and echo stumper
    - They run great
- Have shelter rentals, grad parties, and weddings
- Vern is mowing again @ BW
- Steve Benjamin working great
- Linda is on vacation
- Ewing dust control @ LSP
- > Talked to DNR and received all the paper work and Permit information for the basketball court @ BW
  - Need location
- > DNR called me
  - LSP fish kill was worse then originally thought
  - 97% kill
  - Started restocking
- Two hydrants @ LSP to be replaced by
- Orange burg sewer line @ shop
  - Snider to dig in July
- Bows are getting maintenance at Hill Top Archery
- 2 teens working off 200 hours of community service
  - -Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

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#### **WCCB Naturalist Report**

#### May, 2023

Programs	Total
Public Program	
Seymour Library – Recycled Paper	19
Humeston Library – Recycled Paper	5
Corydon Library – Recycled Paper	3
Outreach	
Leah Bradley – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Pond study & Fishing	52
Corydon Lake – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Pond Study & Fishing	43
LSP – Mormon Trail 6 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> – Archery & Fire Starting	16
LSP – Mormon Trail K-2 <sup>nd</sup> – Habitats & Fishing	38
LSP – Mormon Trail 6 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> – Archery, Kayaking, Fishing	24
LSP – Mormon Trail 5 <sup>th</sup> - Kayaking	17
Private Program	
Murphy's Place – Recycled Paper	6
Total People Reached	223

#### **Other Tasks**

- 1. Advertise upcoming programs
- 2. Prepare / plan public programs
- 3. Plan / Prepare School Programs
- 4. Facebook updates
- 5. Worked honeybees Added honey supers
- 6. Mowed/Other maintenance and office work
- 7. Cleaned up trees

# Coming Up in June:

**Schools: - Done for the Summer** 

**Private:** 

6/20 – Murphy's Place –Bird Call Bingo

**Public:** 

6/1 – Seymour Library – Bird Call Bingo 6/2 – Humeston Library – Bird Call Bingo 6/6 – Seymour Library – Nature Journal 6/13 – Humeston Library – Nature Journal 6/20 – Corydon Library – Nature Journal 6/23 – Corydon Library – Bird Call

Bingo 6/30 – Humeston Library - Snakes

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