Wayne County Conservation Board Regular Board Meeting April 8, 2024

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at <u>6:00 P.M</u> PM by Diane Olson Schroeder, Vice Chairman

B.ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R__Lance_X_ Diane_X_Mike___Marty_X_Garrett X___Kenny_X_and Linda Allen_X__

Guest or Public: Savanah Banks Sandy took notes at the meeting for the Times Republican Newspaper. Steve Benjamin attended to let the Board know he and his wife Kelly would like to be hosts at BWP. He would like to see the improvement of adding a sewer line to bathhouse like the MGP for host camper. He helped mow and due maintenance at the park last season in Ron Guthrie absence.

A. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

March minutes were approved. Motion to approve by Lange. Motion for second by Abel.

Motion Carried. All ayes

- B. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION:</u> Working with Stacey and Jared from City of Corydon on the playground by starting list for grant. Dave Bott inquired about putting goose tubs at CLP. Have received four shelter rentals already.
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

- D. <u>REPORTS:</u>
 - Director Kenny Banks; director report : Banks reported CLP needs 40 3X3.5x8ft cement blocks to put around new playground and may have to return one big fan for two smaller ones. All mowers are ready to go. Guthrie

and Allen have returned to work for the season. Grinding of stumps will resume soon and compliments have been received on how nice it looks.

- 2. Assistant Director Brittany Snow printed office/maintenance report for start schedule.
- 3. Naturalist Ashleigh Arnold; Our Naturalist gave 3 Public programs at the libraries, 2 Private programs and 5 school programs on the food chain. She is very helpful to Allen in the office , helps mow when needed and cares for the honeybees See attached report to minutes for more tasks. Lange made motion to approve all reports. Abel made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.
- E. <u>APPROVAL OF BILLS</u>: Abel made the motion to approve the bills. Lange made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

Claims were submitted for payment. Claims list for month signed by Schroeder, Vice WCCB Chairman.

- F. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Seeding playground and grinding stumps as weather permits
 - b. Prairie piece will be burned when weather permits
 - c. Cutting Ash Trees has ended as camping season is open. Trees will be cut up if damaged by wind or storm.
- G. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:
- A. Work continues on grants for new bathroom @ CLP
- B. Water and power on.
- C. Checked pedestals & hydrants at all parks: 1.repairs made to electric posts where needed by LW Electric
- D. Lineville Fire Department will burn @ MCWA weather permitting and after path has been mowed around the pieces to burn
- E. Received do not enter and one ways signs for CLP, will install this week
- F. Need to know fence agreement with Loris Nickell and Dean Ally a. Both have inquired
 - i. Have cows on said areas @ MCWA: Lance Lange aware of situation and going to check into and call said parties.
- G. Camp host were named for four parks: BWP= Steve and Kelly Benjamin, Jeff & Teressa Henley for MGP, Nate & Katie Newton for LSP and Susan and Roger Carpenter for CLP if Rogers health allows. Darrell Clark has offered to fill a vacant weekend if needed. Motion to approve these volunteers for campground hosts by Lange. Second made by Nickel. Motion carried with all ayes.
- H. Need dirt to start working on camp pads @ BWP

- a. Have been clearing brush @ BW campground
 - I. Shower houses all open and exhaust fans being installed at BW currently
 - J. Fish reports @ MCWA and CLP are good with bass, cropple and blue gill being caught
 - a. Have had several comments
 - K. Guthrie finished preparation on mowers on return to work when Banks was sick .
 - L. Installation on exhaust fans @ BW bath house met with wiring issues and are being resolved by LW Electric.
 - H. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes
 - 1. Schroeder asked if Lorena Blount memorial bench had been received? It has arrived and banks is ordering memorial sign for it.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion to adjourn by Abel, at 6:27 PM. Lange made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye.

Next Regular Meeting May 13, 2024

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Claims APRIL 2024

Utilities		
Regular Bills		Not common bills
Grundy Electric		\$64.25
GRM Network		\$131.95
Cell Phone		\$50.00
Rathbun Regional		\$121.25
Clarke Electric		\$174.03
C & E Trucking		\$120.00
Allerton Lumber	474.33 + 140.18	\$614.51
Albia Paper		\$40.00
Wayne Co. Road		\$44.80
Gambles		\$14.76
Dollar General		\$47.50
Uline		\$196.50
Clayton Plb & Heat		\$45.12
Bailey Office		\$66.03
First Interstate		\$1,024.61
Total		\$2 755 31

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Office/Maintenance Report

(April 9th, 2024 – May 20th, 2024)

- 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 meeting
- Worked on bills w/ Kenny & Brittany
- 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 has started
- Cleaned the shop/put away tools
- Work w/ Kyle Jensen and Helga Offenburger IDNR
- Working w/Taylor & Stacy, City of Corydon, for grants, parks/rec.
 - Working on playground w/ City of \bigcirc Corydon
- Ash is maintaining the hives
- Leveling camp pads @ BW
 - Brush removal started
- Picking up brush from cut down trees with skidder and black dump trailer
- > Take meter reading on the first of month for Rathbun @ BW
- Clean white truck
- Cut trees out of prairie
 - Still more to cut
 Piling into burn pile in prairie
- Grind stumps @ CLP & BW
 - Will continue throughout spring & summer
 - Grinding stumps @ BW campground
- Cutting hazard trees @ CLP campground
- Attended safety meeting
- Attended department head meeting
- Staff safety meeting discuss human trafficking training, safety videos, and
 - personal safety equipment Still waiting for more information
- Clean out trails from BW prairie
 - Honey suckle and autumn olive
 - Removed trees covering the trail
- Work on safety inspection sheet

- Still cleaning honeysuckle @ entrance to LSP
- Check all park areas and storage buildings
- Need brakes fixed on big trailer New trailer?
- Cleaned up trash at MCWA
- Need to roof house and shop discussion (grant?)
- Mowed timber reserve area by campground
- Split and stacked wood for camping season
- Need to discuss liability for campers during tornados, etc....
 - Safety meeting topic
 - New signs
- Start mowing this week plus leaf removal
- Remove honey suckle from east side @ BW campground entrance
 - Till and replant with sunflowers
- Cut brush on south side of the roadside going into LSP campground
- Look into Amish to make parking stops
- Primping parks for Memorial Weekend
- Pile and burned leave @ CLP Mulched leaves as well
- Cleaned up brush piles @ CLP
- Installed fans @ BW with Larry
- Mowing and trimming in every park
- Cleaned up fallen pine from shop
- Wayne Community School kids picked up brush @ CLP for community service day
- Maintenance mowers
 - Blades
 - Air cleaners
- Secondary roads hung new "No Fishing" From Bridge" signs @ BW bridge
- Working on end of year budget
- A Shelter rentals
- Cleaning bathrooms
- Had Larry repair burned 50 AMP @ LSP
- Wayne School Funday Cancelled due to weather
- Humeston School Funday 20th 21st
 - 0 Fishing
 - 0 Kayaking
 - Nature Hike 0
 - Bow and Arrows 0
- Had a couple of community service workers

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow



WCCB Naturalist Report

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April, 2024

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Programs ,	Total
Public Program	
Seymour Library – Pollination	23
Humeston Library – Pollination	2
Corydon Library – Pollination	3
Outreach	
Seymour – Pollination	132
Corydon Headstart – Pollination	20
Wayne - Pollination	330
Magical Beginnings – Pollination	20
Mormon Trail – Pollination	146
Appanoose Co Clover Kids – Honey Bees	23
Quad City Womens Outdoor Club	20
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Private Program	
Murphy's Place – Pollination	5
Corydon Specialty Care - Pollination	12
Total People Reached	756

Other Tasks

- 1. Advertise upcoming programs
- 2. Prepare / plan public programs
- 3. Plan / Prepare School Programs
- 4. Facebook updates
- 5. Worked honeybees
- 6. Other maintenance and office work

The Quad City Womens Outdoor Club brought their group down to spend a weekend in Wayne County. The weather was not the best but we were able to work around it. They spent some time in Decatur County with Kayla at her Trivia night, we went to Appanoose County where Hannah and I did beeswax lotion bars and homemade paper. Then we finished the weekend with a dutch oven lunch/dessert and a hike that Kayla also came and participated in.

Coming Up in May:	
Schools:	Private:
School visits are done for the year	5/22 – Murphy's Place – Dutch Oven
Field Trips:	
$5/14 - Corydon 5^{th} \& 6^{th}$	Public:
$5/20 - MT 5^{th} \& 6^{th}$	5/7 – Seymour Library – Dutch Oven
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	5/22 – Corydon Library – Dutch Oven