

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting for
May 13, 2024
{Rescheduled for May 20, 2024}

MINUTES-MAY 2024

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6.00 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom R_X__ Lance____ Diane_X__ Mike_X__ Marty_X__ Garrett-____ Kenny_X_ and Linda Allen__X__

Guest or Public: Guest Steve Benjamin, also BWP camp host, updated members on work in the campground and the special campers who stayed two nights. A family of five from Wales are walking the Morman Trail pulling a handcart on their way to Provo, Utah. The three children are eleven nine and three. Pete and Alexandra Johns are posting daily reports on face book .They left Nauvoo, Ill. three weeks ago to start their journey. They hope to make fifteen miles a day. When they left BWP the destination was Garden Grove, Ia., which they made Monday evening. Savannah Sandy of the Times Republican was unable to attend the meeting due to school Board Meeting.

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

April minutes were approved. Motion to approve by Lewis. Motion for second by Nickel. Motion Carried. All ayes. Nickel and members liked the larger print used by Linda for minutes.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION: Banks reported GREEN Grass is growing at CLP on the playground. Students from Wayne Community School did Community Service work at CLP and picked up two trailers of branches. Banks was very impressed by these young people. Pictures were taken and saved to the face book page. A Wayne Field Day was planned for last but had to be canceled due to rainy weather. Field Days are being held this week for Morman trail students. Archery, fishing, kayaking and Nature hikes are being enjoyed . Banks reported lots of fish were being caught. Glad to see this after being restocked. Two young people completed community service hours by weed eating at BWP and CLP.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report: Banks highlighted the projects being worked on. The crew is now in summer schedule, weed eating done before Memorial weekend shower house fans installed and much quieter than old.
2. Assistant Director – Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report
3. Naturalist – Ashleigh Arnold; See attached report to minutes. Ashleigh reached 756 students and adults in her programs. See attached report for further details. Schroeder made the motion to approve all reports. Lewis made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

F. APPROVAL OF BILLS: Rockhold made the motion to approve the bills. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

Claims were submitted for payment. Claims list for month signed by Rockhold WCCB Chairman.

G. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Grinding stumps continues as weather and extra time permits. Goal is to do one or two a week. Have several to do.
- b. Work on the grant is close to being done for new bathroom at CLP. Goal is to have ready when time to send in.
- c. Banks has checked about doing new trenching for water and power lines at CLP.
- d. Have some dirt to start working on pads at BW (needs to dry up). Benjamin reported Charlie Hickie of C & E Trucking has offered to haul dirt for BWP free of charge. This is greatly appreciated by WCC due to County only having one truck. Banks noted rock is to be delivered to loop at MGP this week

H. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Priming parks for Memorial Day weekend: Tilling the beach at BWP is planned for this week, weather permitting.
- B. Estimate on parking stops for CLP not yet available.
Field trip for Corydon 5th & 6th grades was canceled due to weather
- C. Scheduled field trips for Mormon Trail students on 20th and 21st are going well.
- D. All Gravely mowers are working well. Banks plans to look at ending budget to consider purchase of a new one.
- E. Need to know fence agreement with Loris Nickell and Dean Ally.
 - a. Lange not in attendance tonight . No update available yet on this concern.
- F. Clean up continues on damage to trees from last storm. Pine tree done. Ash tree left. Front bush hog for skidder looks unlikely. Everyone wants one. They sell as fast as listed.
- G. Lumber for tables was discussed. Pictures presented of some table seats. Various options suggested but majority have high price tags attached to them.

H. Need to address the old wooden playground at BW: Banks advised board members the playground was put in BWP as Memorial to Stroud boy in 1999. That makes the playground 25 years in service and it is deteriorating and out of compliance for OSHA. Steve Benjamin stated he will talk with Stroud family and suggest other means to continue the Memorial for the young man.

I. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

1. Mike Lewis submitted his letter of resignation to the WCC Board effective after the May 20th meeting. He expressed his gratitude for support during his cancer treatments and has enjoyed being on the Board. His time and work will be sadly missed. We wish him the best and continued good health.
2. Diane Schroeder also commented her Board service would probably end in two months.
3. Benjamin noted the name of Facebook page for Johns family is walking Morman Trail
4. Site has been picked for Lorena Blount Memorial Bench to be set and plans will be made after Memorial weekend to do it.

K. Adjournment

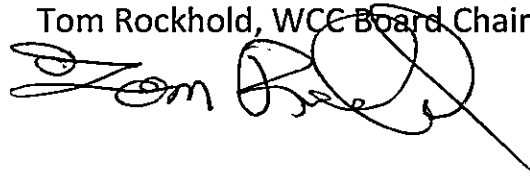
Motion to adjourn by Lewis at 7:06 PM. Rockhold made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye.



Linda Allen, WCC Board Secretary

Tom Rockhold, WCC Board Chairman

Next Regular Meeting June 10, 2024



Claims

May-24

Utilities

Regular Bills

Not common bills

Grundy Electric		\$304.97
City of Lineville		\$25.95
GRM Network		\$97.00
Cell Phone		\$50.00
City of Corydon		\$55.00
Rathbun Regional		\$123.40
Clarke Electric		\$216.60
Alliant Energy	401.33	\$499.88
C & E Trucking		\$240.00
Allerton Lumber	9.18+14.69+51.57	\$75.44
Dollar General		\$52.10
Ia. Natural Heritage		\$100.00
Conston Repair		\$295.00
Ewing Enterprise		\$1,111.50
Gambles		\$42.99
LW Electric		\$1,004.30
MFA Oil		\$1,877.31
First Interstate	162.13+101.65+315.39+21.19	\$600.36
Total		\$6,771.80

Tom Rockhold WCCB Chairman



Office/Maintenance Report

(May 21st, 2024 – June 10th, 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
- Summer 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 new bathroom w/ City of Corydon
- Ash is maintaining the hives
- Leveling camp pads @ BW
 - Have rock & dirt
- 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 as time & weather permit
- Cutting hazard trees @ CLP campground after storm
- Attended safety meeting
- Attended department head meeting
- Clean out trails from BW boat ramp to beach
 - 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?
- Fixed wash out in shop drive
- Need to roof house and shop discussion (grant?)
- Mowed timber reserve area by campground
- Need to discuss liability for campers during tornados, etc....
 - Safety meeting topic
 - New signs
- Pick up new mower
 - Will be trading #4 this week
- Tilled and planted with sunflowers @ BW campground entrance
- Tilled the beach
- Look into Amish to make parking stops
 - No price yet
- Primping parks for 4th of July
- Pile and burned leave @ CLP
 - Mulched leaves as well
- Cleaned up brush piles @ CLP
 - More to pick up
- Mowing and trimming in every park
- Started cleaning up trail to shooting range
- Maintenance mowers
 - Blades
 - Air cleaners
- Working on end of year budget
- Brush hog dam and roadway @ CLP
- Oil change on skid loader
- Shelter rentals
- Cleaning bathrooms
- Have meeting Wednesday w/ Corydon City Council
 - Shelters
 - Power
 - Water
 - Bathroom
- Had a couple more of community service workers
- Need to repair tube @ South Side entrance @ BW

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

WCCB Naturalist Report

May, 2024

Programs	Total
Public Program	
Seymour Library – Dutch Oven	23
Corydon Library – Dutch Oven	11
Seymour Library – Recycled Bee Cans – Summer Reading	32
Outreach	
LSP 5 th & 6 th – Kayak, Fish, Archery, Hike	37
LSP K-2 nd – Fish, Lifejacket, Metamorphosis	50
Private Program	
Murphy's Place – Dutch Oven	6
Corydon Specialty Care – Bird Call	15
Total People Reached	174

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

Coming Up in June:

Schools:

School visits are done for the year

Public:

6/4 – Seymour Library – Snake
 6/15 – Bobwhite - Kayaking
 6/18 – Corydon Library – Snake

Private:

6/18 – Murphy's Place – Snake
 6/21 – Corydon Specialty Care – Snake