

Wayne County Conservation Board
Regular Board Meeting
August 14, 2023

AUGUST 2023

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM by Tom Rockhold, Chairman.

B. ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom R__X_Diane__X_, Lance No Mike__No__Marty_No_Garrett_X_Kenny__X_ and Linda Allen,
Secretary __X_. Don Seams retired from BOS.

Guest or Public: None present.

C. READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

July minutes were approved as read. Motion to approve by Abel. Motion for second by Rockhold.
Motion Carried. All ayes

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMUNICATION: Working with Stacey and Jared from City of Corydon on the playground renovation and tree removal. Bid sheets will come out next week. Two community service youths are working off hours for the Conservation. One is finished. The other has 9 ½ days or 80 hours left. Working with Helga, IDNR, on deer bow hunt at Bobwhite. Going to advertise on Facebook. License can be bought after August 15. Discussion by Helga and Kenny to have an incentive for those buying license for park hunt. Banks passed out information on loggers bidding for tree removal in Corydon Lake Park. After the trees are removed and groundwork done, he is going to resubmit bid for a new bathhouse at CLP like one at LSP.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

F. REPORTS:

1. Director – Kenny Banks; director report: Banks gave update on PTO shaft repair. He ordered a new one at Veters and was quite expensive. He kept the old one and had it repaired for \$100, He now has a backup one. Reported he needs brakes for big trailer.
2. Assistant Director – Brittany Snow; office/maintenance report in file.

3. Naturalist – Ashleigh Arnold: See attached report to minutes. She has been on her first vacation since joining Conservation. She is very active helping Banks with any mowing or maintenance when asked. Also counts camping money with Allen weekly.
4. Allen enters: All camping receipts on the computer, makes monthly camping report for each park which includes the monthly deposits for each one, prepares claims for payment, enters all expenses on monthly expenditure report which includes each parks needed repairs, takes shelter reservations and updates reservation notice for display at parks.
Abel made motion to approve all reports. Schroeder made the second. Motion carried. All ayes.

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

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

H. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Lorena's Memorial, (Allerton Play Committee Donation) Wanted a bench and it has been ordered. Banks has not talked to Ross Blount or Mary Ellen Miller about any memorial plans lately.
- b. Been working on Prairie piece: will be mowed and burned this fall.
- c. Cutting Ash Trees @ CLP & BW is done until after camping season, unless hazardous
- d. Met with City of Corydon, finished drafting bid sheet for tree removal.
 - i. Highest bidder will be awarded the job.
 - ii. Tree cutting will start on October 2nd and will run 5 weeks to November 4th or until all marked trees are removed.

I. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Civil War Days are September 15th through the 17th
- B. Sewer project completed and no further problems.
- C. Two hydrants dug and fixed at BWP
- D. Wedding & shelter rentals continue
Extra time spent to make sure park looks nice.
Work on Green truck completed and working fine.
- E. Parts for Gravely mowers that fell off during travel have been received and secured with gormet and pin to avoid further loss.
- F. Finished lagoon clearing at LSP
- G. Clearing to start at MG soon
- H. Brakes and rotators and calipers fixed on white ford
- I. Still working on some of the camp pads at Bobwhite Campground
- J. Old printer needs to go still
- K. Talk with DOT about signs @ LSP
 - a. Haven't heard back yet. Said would call when he had all the information and prices
- L. Received new laptop for Naturalist and has been updated properly.

J. Open Forum Items/Discussion/Notes

1. Exhaust fans @ BW shower house have been requested by several people to remove humidity and moisture.
2. Some further discussion on previous suggestion at last meeting to have his assistant work a share of weekends so Banks wouldn't have to work them all.

K. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Abel 6:38 PM. Schroeder made the second. Motion Carried. All voted aye.

Linda Allen, WCCB Secretary

Next Regular Meeting September 11, 2023

WCC BOARD CHAIRMAN: _____

*Diane Olson Schroeder
9/11/23*

Claims

Aug-23

Utilities	
Regular Bills	Not common bills
Grundy Electric	\$416.50
City of Lineville	\$29.52
GRM Network	\$131.60
Midwest Sanitation	\$77.88
Cell Phone	\$50.00
Rathbun Regional	\$311.25
Clarke Electric	\$774.94
Alliant Energy	\$1,620.65
C & E Trucking	\$240.00
MFA-Napa	\$94.45
Tri-County	\$293.50
Allerton Lumber	\$6.52
First Interstate	\$707.84
Dollar General	\$74.20
CarQuest	\$123.67
Snider Backhoe	\$2,580.00
Goemaat Tranmission	\$2,600.00
Gambles	\$42.98
Johnson Repair	\$569.95
MFA Oil	\$1,495.84
Total	\$12,241.29

Tom Rockhold
WCCB Chairman

Diane Ober-Schwartz
9/11/23

Office/Maintenance Report

(July 11th – August 14th 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 meeting
- Worked on bills w/ Kenny, Brittany & Linda
- Reserved and cleaned shelters for rentals
- 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
 - Rounds, trash @ all parks
- Cleaned the shop/put away tools
- Work w/ Kyle Jensen and Helga Offenburger IDNR, and Bruce, IDNR Hatchery
 - 3rd round of restocking @ LSP
- Working w/Taylor & Stacy, City of Corydon, for grants, parks/rec.
 - Working on playground w/ City of Corydon
 - Showed loggers the timber
 - 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
- Made multiple trips to MCWA
 - Mow @ boat ramp entrance
- 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
- K-9 vehicle
 - Needs tires
- Mowing and trimming at every park
- Clean bath houses in every park
- Attended safety meeting
- Attended department head meeting
- Staff safety meeting
- Took complaints about lake @ MG, BW, CLP, LSP
- Clean out trails from BW CG
 - Mow weekly
- Work on safety inspection sheet
- Check all park areas and storage buildings
- Push the brush up at the BW boneyard
 - Cleared spot to dump dirt
- Need to get rid of old printer
- Have shelter rentals @ MG and LSP
- Vern still mowing @ BW
- Steve Benjamin finished mowing August 24th
- Talked to DNR and received all the paper work and Permit information for the basketball court @ BW
 - Need location
- Let the dirt settle where sewer line was replaced
 - Smoothed out dirt with the skid loader
 - Removed stumps
- Bows are getting maintenance at Hill Top Archery
 - Waiting on parts
- Primp park @ CLP for Civil War Days
- Primp park @ BW for Allerton World Fair
- Ordered rock
- Bush hog park shores @ CLP
- Work on sprayer
- Purchased parts for Gravleys
 - 3 sets of blades
 - Belt
 - Pulley to replace on G1
- Fixed toilet @ LSP
- Empty vault @ LSP
- Updated board member information
- Talk w/ Helga, IDNR, regarding Bobwhite State Park Hunt
 - Receiving information for zone 91
- Getting ready to start on lagoon @ MG
- Need brakes fixed on big trailer
 - New trailer?
- Marked trees @ CLP for new playground area and throughout the park for bidders
- Cut trees off trail @ BW
- Ron started back August 29th
- Ordered signs for LSP entrance
- Took down and repairing signs from CLP

-Kenny Banks, Brittany Snow

WCCB Naturalist Report

August 2023

Programs	Total
Public Program	
Seymour Library – Beeswax Lotion Bars	19
Humeston Library – Beeswax Lotion Bars	15
Corydon Library – Beeswax Lotion Bars	12
Outreach	
All Parks - Turtles	11
Private Program	
Murphy’s Place – Beeswax Lotion Bars	5
Total People Reached	64

Other Tasks

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

Coming Up in September:

Schools: -

- 9/7 – Seymour – Bird Call Bingo
- 9/12 – Magical Beginnings – Book/Bird call
- 9/13- Wayne - Bird Call Bingo
- 9/20 – Wayne - Bird Call Bingo
- 9/27 – Mormon Trail - Bird Call Bingo

Public:

- 9/5 – Seymour Library – Bird Call Bingo
- 9/12 – Humeston Library – Bird Call Bingo
- 9/19 – Corydon Library – Bird Call Bingo
- 9/14 – Lakeview – ACCB – Bee Keeping

Private:

- 9/19 – Murphy’s Place – Monarch Tagging

