

Richland County Parks Commission
October 2nd, 2017
Meeting Minutes

The October 2nd, 2017 meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bellman at 6:00 p.m. Those present were Gary Peters, Bob Bellman, Duane Klang, Kerry Severson, John Collins, Steve Kohlstedt, Pat Werner, Royce Dieter, Eric Siemandel, Ben Southwick and Cathy Cooper.

The agenda was mailed out and it was posted at the Courthouse bulletin board. Gary Peters moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification, second made by Steve Kohlstedt. Motion carried.

Motion made by Kerry Severson to approve the minutes of the September 11th meeting as sent out, second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

8A. All materials are in and work on the bridges will begin the weekend of October 21st & 22nd. Cathy also reported that the final payment of the 2016-17 grant has been received. She also reported on the snowmobile grant for the 2017-18 season and it will be \$300.00 per mile. The bridges by Bohmann Dr. and State Hwy 80 both need to have some riprapping done.

4A. The commission went thru ordinance 96-22 with Corporation Counsel Ben Southwick; he drafted a new ordinance to have the old repealed and recreated, after going thru the draft Ben, he stated that he will redo the ordinance and bring it back to the commission at the November meeting for approval and then take it to the December County Board meeting.

4B. Purchase screenings for the trail. Twin Bluffs Dr. to Henpeck seems to be the worst that needs screening, Cathy and Gary will travel the trail to verify what needs to be done. 4D. Rolling of the trail, again Cathy & Gary will travel the trail to verify.

4C. ATV use on the trail. There are steps to go through; first several public hearings then should the County approves this would have to go to the state DOT and then federal highway. If either does not approve the issue is dead. If the ATV clubs are willing to take the lead and do all of the documentation and leg work involved; the parks commission would help with the public hearings; then if the public hearings show positive input the commission would bring it to the County Board.

5. Viola Park; nothing new to report.

6. Rockbridge park; the new pier is there, partially installed and ready for final installation after the riprapping has been approved and completed. The park is actively being used. 6A. the highway department has taken care of the issue of parking between the rocks.

7. Rifle Range, more boards need to be purchased; the range is getting used a lot, Kerry Severson would like to cement in the post that hold the board. There was a fire at the range of unknown cause, it was between the 100 & 200 yard off to the side, there will be a fire call bill to the commission for the duty crew. Need to update the rules that are posted at the range regarding flammable material. Need to talk with sheriff's department about the camera's that are at the range. Kerry has found that the DNR has a grant for shooting ranges and he would like to look into this with maybe adding more lanes with plat forms. Sign stating that the future of this range depends on the users following the rules and keeping it clean. Remind all users of the donation box.

9. Commission reports; none.

10. Other business; none.

The following bills were presented for October; Town & Country Sanitation, \$386.58; Nature's Way Portable Units, \$309.00; Village of Viola, \$375.00; Village of Boaz, \$375.00; Gillingham Ball Park, \$375.00; Village of Cazenovia, \$375.00; Village of Lone Rock, \$375.00; Mick Memorial Park, \$375.00; City of Richland Center, \$6,000.00; Premier Co-op, \$234.75; Sharon Miller, \$22.00; Walsh's Ace Hardware, \$3.69; Eric Siemandel, \$86.68. Motion made by Kerry Severson to pay the October bills as presented, second made by Duane Klang. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be on Monday November 6th, 2017. Meeting will begin at 5:30 pm at the Conference Room of the Ag Service Center.

Motion made by John Collins to adjourn the meeting, second made by Larry Jewell. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Bellman^{tcb}

Bob Bellman
Parks Commission Chairman