

Richland County Parks Commission
March 5th, 2018
Meeting Minutes

The March 5th, 2018 meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bellman at 5:30 p.m. Those present were Bob Bellman, Gary Peters, John Collins. Kerry Severson, Steve Kohlstedt, Amy Bender, Denise Lins and Cathy Cooper. Duane Klang and Larry Jewell were absent.

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 John Collins. Motion carried.

Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to approve the minutes of the February meeting second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

There was no public input at this point in the meeting.

#5 Symons Foundation; Denise Lins, Director of the Symons Complex addressed the Commission; Where should any money go for now that is received for the bike trail? Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to produce a revenue line to place any moneys received to revenue line Trail Donations, second made by Gary Peters. Motion carried. Denise then asked if there are any other designated bike routes within the county? Years ago, there were some loops, but nothing has been published as of late.

#6 Drake mowing contract; Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to approve the requested 7% increase and forward it on to County Board. Second made by Kerry Severson. Motion carried.

#7 Bike Trail; A. mowing will be placed on the agenda for April; B. Donations, spoke about this with Denise.

#8 Rifle Range; Piles of wood need to be burned. Motion made by Gary Peters to have Kerry Severson & John Collins to take care of the piles while there is snow on the ground. Second made by Steve Kohlstedt. Motion carried. If the piles don't get burned, we can have a cleanup day at the range and order a larger dumpster for first month of season and then go to a smaller dumpster for the balance of the season.

#9 Viola Park; Steve Kohlstedt reported no activity.

#10 Rockbridge Park. John Collins reported there are 8 logs across the trail on top of the of the rock.

#11 Snowmobile Grants; A. trail maintenance; the Blue River trail may not be a part of the grant for the foreseeable future. The trails need to be GPS'd this year and if trails are added they need to be GPS'd before they will receive any funding, Cathy would like to take the grant request to the March County Board meeting. The maximum grant would be \$40,200.00 B. Trail rehabilitation grant for the rip rapping by Doudna School for \$19,998.00. Motion made by Gary Peters to approve accepting both the trail and rehabilitation grants and forward them on to the County Board. Second made by Kerry Severson. Motion carried.

#12 Snowmobile Alliance; Trails have been open for 3 days. The groomer had some issues at Toby Johnson's in Dayton Township and that portion of the trail will need some repair.

#13 Commission member reports. Gary Peters reported on the hwy 80 reroute, he also reported that the new billboards are up advertising Richland Center. John Collins spoke with Sharon at the Rockbridge store, the bridge work will begin on May 1st and end sometime in October. She will possible close the store during the construction and would not be available to issue camping permits. She will keep us informed.

#14 Other business, Amy Bender talked about Canoecopia and Bike-O-Rama both in Madison at the Alliant Center promoting the county. The city is dealing with the Emerald Ash Bore, this will be on the April agenda.

#15 The following bills were presented for March; B-L Signs LLC, \$322.00. Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to pay the March Bill as presented, second made by Gary Peters. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be on Monday April 2nd, 2018. Meeting will begin at 5:30 pm in the conference room of the Ag Service Center, 26136 Executive Ln. This will be Bob's & Larry's last meeting.

Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to adjourn the meeting, second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 6:25 pm.

Bob Bellman

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Parks Commission Chair