

Richland County Parks Commission  
September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Meeting Minutes

The September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Peters at 5:30 p.m. Those present were, Gary Peters, Steve Kohlstedt, Kerry Severson, Brad Wegner, Gary Manning, John Collins, Kerry Gies, Tracy Gobin, Amy Bender, Kevin Jasper, Claire Bruckner, Eric Siemandel, Don Huffman, Heidi Salach and Cathy Cooper. Cindy Chicker was absent.

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

#3 Bike Trail Flood Damage; Cathy passed out copies of the trail bridge locations map and the inspection report (attached to master minutes). Slides of the different damage sites were shown with Steve Kohlstedt and Gary Manning explaining the sites. Most of the damage to the trail is with rills and erosion between Sawmill Rd and Henpeck Ln. They thought it would take 5-6 loads of screenings to repair.

Bridges 2 & 9 have logs and debris under them that needs to be removed. It was asked if the bridge railing could be removed so a small excavator with a grapping could reach down and grab the debris. Eric Siemandel said the railings are screwed on and that it would not be a problem.

Bridge 4 has been lifted, Eric said that they could reset it again, but this time maybe cable it down and even use special rods to tie it to the piers. One suggestion he had was to maybe drill some holes in the deck so that the water would go up through the deck. No decision on that idea.

Bridge 12 was undercut. It needs to have the abutment filled in to fix.

Steve said the commission needs to decide tonight whether to hire the work done or to have the volunteers help and have the commission pay for materials and equipment rental. Motion made by Gary Manning to appropriate enough money to pay for the rental of 2 skid steers, 1 mini excavator, 5-6 loads of screenings and to keep cost under \$5,000.00, second made by Steve Kohlstedt. Motion carried.

Eric will let Cathy know when the work is going to be done so she can get the word out on Facebook and others about a work day(s).

Don Huffman and other bikers volunteered to remove the railings on bridges 2 & 9. They will help with other items. Eric will talk with Kraemers about screenings. Gary Manning will check with Simpsons about equipment rental and assistances with hauling screenings.

#4 Rockbridge Park Flood Damage; Cathy will contact Ron Fogo to have the pit toilets pumped. She will get the well tested. Gary Peters will put yellow caution tape up around the bridge. There are only 4 picnic tables left, the commission will need to purchase some new ones. Gary Manning will talk with city parks about anchoring the tables down. There is sand in the bathroom, Steve Kohlstedt will take care of this. The bridge needs rock put in by the abutment. Gary Manning & John Collins will check on this.

Motion made by John Collins to adjourn the meeting, second made by Brad Wegner. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 6:35 pm.

*Gary Peters*

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Parks Commission Chair