

Richland County Parks Commission
January 7th, 2019
Meeting Minutes

The January 7th, 2019 meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Peters at 5:30 p.m. Those present were Gary Peters, Kerry Severson, John Collins. Steve Kohlstedt, Brad Wegner, Cindy Chicker, Gary Manning, Eric Siemandel, Jeff Johnson, Tracy Gobin, Ben Southwick and Cathy Cooper.

The agenda was mailed out and it was posted at the Courthouse bulletin board. Cindy Chicker moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification second made by Brad Wegner. Motion carried.

Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to approve the minutes of the December meeting as sent out second made by Gary Manning. Motion carried.

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

#5 Bike Trail; Cindy Chicker reported that the numbers are on all the bridges. A. Drainage issue behind Wal-Mart: Gary Manning reported that he met with Ken Anderson, Ray & Matt Schmitz and Cathy Cooper at the site in question. The ditch is high between the 2 tubes. Ray would like to have the dirt from, the high spot removed and then spread it in the low spots on the field. Steve Kohlstedt asked if there are any issues with the flags in the area. It appears that there are not any flags between the 2 tubes where the dirt needs to be removed but, diggers will come back out and remark the area. Ken Anderson will put together a drawing of what needs to be done. Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to put this project out for bids, second made by Gary Manning. Motion carried.

#6 Rifle Range; John Collins reported that there are a dozen boards still out there and the racks are full.

#7 Viola Park; A. No Camping ordinance; Corporation Counsel, Ben Southwick addressed the commission with the new ordinance, (Cathy stepped out to make copies) Gary Peters filled in the commission with current issue and the camper trailer has been removed and has been placed on township property making it their problem. Steve Kohlstedt gave a brief history of people camping in the past. The commission reviewed the draft Motioned by Gary Manning to add language to the ordinance that violators will be towed after 4 days second made by Steve Kohlstedt. Motion carried. Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to add at the owner's expense, second made by Kerry Severson. Motion carried. A sign will be placed at the entrance of the park stating no overnight camping.

#8 Rockbridge Park. Gary Peters reported nothing new happening, just glad that the Store is open.

#9 Snowmobile Alliance. Cathy reported that she is working on getting the alliance into the SNARS system, however she is having a problem getting into the system herself. She needs a letter from the alliance stating who is doing the entries for the clubs. She received an email from Royce Dieter with an update of the trails that are not open yet (copy of email attached to master minutes). Anything submitted on areas of the trail that are not signed will not be approved for any payment. Bridges at Snow Valley and County Hwy I along with the Bridge behind Richland Hills both need to be redesigned and reset. This process will take time. Eric reminded Cathy to contact Chris Carley regarding some of the trail routes. Kerry Severson found resolution 75-25 regarding a trail plan Steve Kohlstedt believes that this is the first resolution passed to get the snowmobile funds.

#10 Boat Landing; nothing to report.

Commission member reports. John Collins apologized for not being at the last few meetings, he had some computer issues.

No other business.

The following bills were presented for January; Nature's Way Portable Units, \$106.00; Randy Olson Trucking, \$200.00; Walsh's Ace Hardware, \$629.89; All American Do it Center, \$383.34. Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to pay the January Bills as presented, second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be on Monday February 4th, 2019. Meeting will begin at 5:30 pm in the conference room of the Ag Service Center, 26136 Executive Ln.

Motion made by Gary Manning to adjourn the meeting, second made by Brad Wegner. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 6:24 pm.

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Parks Commission Chair