

Richland County Parks Commission
July 6TH, 2021
Meeting Minutes

#1 The July 6th, 2021 meeting was called to order by Chairman Kerry Severson at 5:43 p.m. Those present were Kerry Severson, John Collins, Eric Siemandel, Danielle Cooper and Cathy Cooper. Tim Gottschall, Cindy Chicker and Gary Manning were absent.

#2 The agenda was mailed/emailed, and it was properly posted. Moved by John Collins to approve the agenda and proof of notification second made by Eric Siemandel. Motion carried.

#3 John Collins motioned to approve the minutes of the June 7th, 2021 meeting as sent out, second by Eric Siemandel. Motion carried.

#4 Public Input- No Public Input.

#5 Akey School – Ken Thiede, president of the Historical Society reported that the Orion Bible School and House property has been sold, the new owners are looking at having a photo studio. They will be keeping the property. Ken handed out the Akey School newsletter. Ken also provided the commission with a map with a shaded area that the Society is wanting to have a graveled area for with railroad ties around it for a display of 20 to 25 pieces of old farm equipment with signs, there would be no cost for the commission. Motion made by John Collins to give the Historical Society permission to put together a plan and present it at the November meeting, second made by Danielle Cooper. Motion carried.

#6 Pine River Recreation Trail “Bike Trail” – A. Bid Opening, received one bid form Randy Olson for \$27,973,61 for the trail from County Highway TB through to Gotham. B. Awarding of the bid; motion made by John Collins to award the project to Randy Olson and to look into additional work within the section of trail. second made by Danielle Cooper. Motion carried. C. Action Plan will stay on the agenda

#7 Rifle Range – John Collins reported that someone has moved the shooting benches outside of the shelter. He also reported that more boards are needed.

#8 Rockbridge Park – maps were handed out with proposed up grades.

#9 Viola Park – A. Corpian Well Services has been called with no response.

#10 Kayak landing – This is being used.

#11 Snowmobile Alliance – The trail may need to be rerouted around the Householder quarry.

#12 Snowmobile grants – The 20-21 maintenance money has been spent.

#13 Boat landings – They are all being used.

#14 Pine Valley Site – New Corporation Council for the County. Todd Rumler, County Surveyor, has sent a letter to the Corp Council about completing the survey. Working with Dale Bender with possible grants that are due in October.

#15 Hidden Valley – Cathy has informed the new representative of the magazine that the County wants out.

#16 Commission member reports – none

#17 Future agenda items – none

#18 Bills for July; Town & Country Sanitation, \$427.40; Nature’s Way Portable Units, \$642.00; B&L Signs, \$445.00; LNR Services LLC, \$650.00; Walsh’s Ace Hardware, \$477.80; Hillsboro Trail Blazers, \$144.51; Richland County Snowmobile Alliance, \$27,899.32; Hillsboro Trail Blazers, \$1,519.10. Motion made by John Collins to approve the July bills as presented. Second made by Eric Siemandel. Motion carried.

#19 Next meeting is Monday August 2nd, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Meeting will be held in the conference room of the Ag Service Center.

#20 Motion made by Danielle Cooper adjourn the meeting second made by Eric Siemandel. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 7:03 pm.

Kerry Severson
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Parks Commission Chair