

Property & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes **October 17, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman June Chartrand at 5:30 p.m. Roll Call was taken showing a quorum as follows:

Members Present:

June Chartrand, Chairman
Lonnie Mosley
Angela Grossman-Roewe
Kenneth Sharkey
John West

Members Absent:

C. David Tiedemann, Asst. Chairman - Excused
Curtis Jones - Excused

Others Present:

Mark A. Kern, SCC Chairman
Mikie Wren, SCC Exec. Secretary
Tim Pruett, Rhutasel
Norman Touchette, Foley Park
Herbert Simmons, 9-1-1 / EMA

Ken Easterley, County Board
Carol Clark, County Board
Michael O'Donnell, County Board
Marty Crawford, County Board
Robert Trentman, County Board

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

There were no Public Comments made or Questions asked.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. West to approve the Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Wren gave the Revenue Report. We have received two amounts because the first one had not arrived when we had the meeting. The amount for September is \$98,197.40. Our share of that is \$49,098.70. For the month of October we received \$89,204.55 and our share of that is \$44,602.28. The expenses during this period were \$33,068.67 leaving a balance of \$3,531,581.99.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. Sharkey to approve the Revenue Report. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports given by Mrs. Wren are listed below:

- Mr. Norman Touchette:
Each of you were given a copy the reports listing visits to the various park sites.
- Silver Creek Preserve:
Mr. Isbell reported on October 3, 2016 that damage and vandalism occurred between 8:45 p.m. on Friday, September 30th and 6:20 a.m. on Saturday, October 1st. During the night someone moved one of the large boulders at the park entrance gate and dragged in to the edge of the paved entrance. This was reported to Mr. Touchette and the boulder was replaced.

Mr. Isbell further reported on October 3, 2016 on October 1, 2016 a Chevrolet truck with a black camper was observed in the parking lot of the Preserve. It is not known if it

belonged to a member of the Mascoutah Sportsman Club who has access to the park via the hidden key.

Mr. Isbell reported on October 17, 2016 that all is well at Silver Creek Preserve at the present time.

➤ **Trinity Services:**

Brandy of Mike Lowry's Office at Trinity Services reported on October 17, 2016 that the residents are still doing clean up at Silver Creek Preserve two to three days a week as weather permits. Pizza was delivered for lunch on October 7, 2016 from the Property & Recreation Committee.

➤ **Dog Park at Animal Services:**

Schumacher Landscape Construction completed the grading, seeding and straw at the Dog Park. The invoice for this \$4,150.00 was submitted for payment.

An additional cost of \$1,300.00 for the fence at the dog park was incurred to install vinyl slats in the fence to keep the animals separate for contamination purposes with Animal Control and the Belleville Humane Society both using the Dog Park.

➤ **St. Ellen Mine Park:**

Master Sgt. Classen of the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department reported on September 30, 2016 that when making his rounds he noticed a push mower had been put into the water by the boat ramp and needed to be removed. This information was passed on to Mr. Touchette.

➤ **St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission:**

The usual completion of projects, requests for extensions and payment of invoices for Cycle 22 have been processed during the last month. The Cycle 23 grant recipients have been sent Notice of Award letters together with a Contract to be completed and returned by October 17, 2016. Upon receipt of the executed contracts an Authorization to Proceed letter will be sent to the grant recipients with a fully executed copy of the contract.

Report given by Mr. Pruett:

Mrs. Wren talked about the Dog Park and the fence. They will be putting the wider fence in and that part should be done in the next week or so. This is a vinyl coated material and it takes some time to receive it. On Engelmann Farm that job with the walking trail and the ditching and all of that is to start Monday. They did call me back and they have not completed the project. There will be some seeding work required. I am pushing for a completion date in December and then the asphalt will be put on the trail. At St. Ellen Mine we received a grant and I am getting with the electronic folks. When they gave us a price to put the cameras in they gave us a list of six or seven alternates. I am just trying to get familiar with what those are and what we really think we need and probably at the next meeting I will have an explanation of what the additional items are and what they mean then we can make a decision as to how much money you want to spend out there.

A suggestion to look at putting LED lights up with the cameras it has been stated that it will save on the election bill.

A motion was made by Mr. West and seconded by Mrs. Grossmann-Roewe to approve the reports given by Mrs. Wren, Mr. Touchette and Mr. Pruett. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. West said that someone from the O'Fallon History Society talked to him about doing St. Ellen Mine Park. I said that we would be interested in him coming to our committee when he is done

with that. A short discussion was held on that topic. Mrs. Chartrand asked Mr. Jim Fields from SCC Highway to be present next month.

A motion was made by Mrs. Grossmann-Roewe and seconded by Mr. West to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

June Chartrand, Chairman
Property and Recreation Committee

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