

Property & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes **February, 21, 2017**

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
C. David Tiedemann, Asst. Chairman
Lonnie Mosley
Kenneth Sharkey
Scott Tiemann
Steve Gomric
John West

Others Present

Mark A. Kern, SCC Chairman
Robert Allen, County Board
Mikie Wren, SCC Exec. Secretary
Joseph Bustos, Belleville News Democrat

Ken Easterley, County Board
Fred Boch, County Board
Tim Pruett, Rhutase
Herb Simmons, EMA / 9-1-1

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

There were no Public Comments made or questions asked.

A motion was made by Mr. West and seconded by Mr. Tiedemann to approve the Meeting minutes from February 21, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Wren did not have a Revenue Report. The check has not yet come in.

Reports given by Mrs. Wren are listed below:

- Mr. Norman Touchette:
You were given a copy the reports listing visits to the various park sites
- Silver Creek Preserve:
Mr. Isbell reported on February 1, 2017 that someone used a pry bar to break the lock on the silver creek Preserve gate. Mr. Isbell purchased a new lock with greater resistance to prying and cutting.

Mr. Isbell advised on February 17, 2017 that all is well at Silver Creek Preserve.
- Trinity Services:
Brandy of Mike Lowry's Office at Trinity Services reported on February 17, 2017 that the residents are still doing clean up at Silver Creek Preserve two to three days a week as weather permits.
- St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission:
The usual completion of projects, requests for extensions and payment of invoices for Cycle 22 and 23 have been processed during the last month.

Mrs. Wren explained the SCC Parks Grant procedure to Mr. Tiedemann. Chairman Kern explained that the municipalities have to send in invoices to get reimbursed for the park projects. Mr. Tiedemann asked if Mrs. Wren gets a stipend from the Property & Recreation Committee. Mr. Tiedemann said that it is in the budget listed as administration work. Chairman Kern said that Mrs. Wren's pay is what it is a percentage comes from the committee. That can be checked when the budget is done for next year. Chairman Kern also stated that there is no shortage of applications usually everyone gets funded that does a proper application. Mrs. Wren stated that usually 124 letters are sent to the municipalities and only received back usually twenty five or twenty six applications. Chairman Kern encourages the County Board Members to go to the meetings when the applications are being decided.

Mr. Pruett reported that he and Mr. Touchette took a trip on Friday to all four of the St. Clair County Parks. There are some things that can be done this spring or summer. He met with Thouvenot before the meeting and he will be working on that and hopeful coming up with some budgets. Mr. Pruett is talking about maintenance type work at the parks and maybe some additional mowing here and there. Chairman Kern asked about the invasive species at Engelman we had prisoners working on that. Mr. Tiedemann said that the prisoners did it before and it is about where it was. Discussion held on where the invasive species is located. Question asked about the power being off at St. Ellen Mine. Mr. Allen will get the name of the company who takes care of invasive species and pass it on to the Committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Tiedemann and seconded by Mr. West to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

June Chartrand, Chairman
Property and Recreation Committee

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