

PROPERTY & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2024

The Property & Recreation Committee of the St. Clair County Board met in the County Board Conference Room on October 21, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jana Moll at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Jana A. Moll, Chairman
Lonnie Mosley, Asst. Chairman
Courtney Moore
Steve Gomric
Scott Tieman
Kenneth Sharkey
Sue Gruberman

Members Absent:

Others Present

Mark Kern, County Board Chairman
Sami Gruberman, County Board Office

Brian Buehlhorn, County Parks Supervisor
Bob Allen, County Board

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call was taken.

There were no public comments or questions.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. Gomric to approve the Minutes from the September 23, 2024 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mr. Sharkey to approve the 2025 Meeting Schedule.

The bids for exterior restoration on the historical house at Engelmann was reviewed. A quote was given for \$32,745, which includes sanding, power washing, and latex primer. This will be bid out next year. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Gomric and seconded by Mr. Mosley to purchase the John Deere XUV835R used side by side for \$19,000.

Ms. Gruberman gave the Revenue Report. Revenue share for Property and Recreation for September 2024 is \$130,415.93. MEPRD's share for this period is \$65,207.97. Cash balance for the Property and Recreation Committee is \$1,170,801.49.

A motion was made by Mr. Gomric and seconded by Mr. Tieman to approve the Revenue Report given by Ms. Gruberman. Motion passed unanimously.

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Ms. Gruberman summarized the following Committee reports:

- Various Park Sites: Brian Buehlhorn's report of visits to the various park sites.
- Trinity Services: Sarah at Trinity Services reported on October 21, 2024 that the residents are cleaning up at Silver Creek Preserve two to three days a week as weather permits. Pizzas were last delivered on October 4.
- St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission: Cycle 29 requests for payments have been processed during the last month on various projects.
- 2019 Special Park Projects: Requests for payments have been processed during the last month on various projects.
- 2021 Special Park Projects: Requests for payments have been processed during the last month on various projects.
- 2022 Special Park Projects: Requests for payments have been processed during the last month on various projects.
- 2024 Special Park Projects: Requests for payments have been processed during the last month on various projects.
- Volkert Engineering: Volkert Engineering submitted an invoice for \$6,000 for contractual services. The invoice was paid on October 16.

Mr. Buehlhorn reported that Silver Creek will be part of Heartlands Jingle Hike starting in November. Also, at Silver Creek the hunters club left the gate open before dusk. At St. Ellen the refuse mound drainage areas were cleared, and a sign was vandalized. The public was dumping trash in the park dumpsters at Foley Park. Lastly, Hank's did some brush clearing on the walking trails and overgrown areas at all the parks ran by St. Clair County.

A motion was made by Ms. Gruberman and seconded by Mr. Tieman to approve the Committee Reports given by Ms. Gruberman and Mr. Buehlhorn. Motion passed unanimously.

In other business Chairman Kern explain that if we are held up on the purchase of Freedom Farm there is a potential resolution put forward to the Fairgrounds if held up on Freedom Farm. Additionally, bids for repairs to the Fairgrounds came in and are right around what was expected.

A motion was made by Mr. Mosley and seconded by Mr. Gomric to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Moll, Chairman
Property and Recreation Committee