

JUNE MINUTES

Versailles Woodford County Parks and Recreation

June 12, 2023, 6:30 pm at Falling Springs Center

In Attendance

D. Lodmell, S. Finney, C. Stoudt, A. Keith, T. Sparks, K. O'Reel, M. Woods, J. Gay, D. Gill

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve May minutes M. Woods, 2nd K. O'Reel –all voted in favor. Jon Gay welcomed new County appointee board member Tyrone Sparks.

Guest via Zoom Brad Boaz Big Spring Park

Brad Boaz of CMW participated via zoom video link and outlined in detail the earth work and removal of trees that would be required in the current plan. He also explained the reason for the anticipated cost of building a bathroom facility at one of the new pavilions. Brad also provided the board with his cost opinion of the project totaling \$2,569,015.08.

After the presentation C. Stoudt made a motion to submit a request to the City and County Governments and permit Richard and Jon to begin negotiations with both groups to secure funding for the project. 2nd by D. Gill. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mountain biking path and timeline

Rich presented the map of the proposed handicap accessible mountain biking path in Woodford County Park from Jeb Gorham and mountain biking group. Jeb also provided a timeline for work with proposed grand opening in August/September of 2023. Motion to approve the proposed path and timeline M. Woods, 2nd S. Finney. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Invasive removal Hunteertown & forestry mowing Big Spring Park

Rich updated the board on the continued invasive removal process ongoing at Hunteertown and Big Spring Park and provided some pictures of recent forestry mowing. Jon Gay suggested we setup a meeting in the park with the master gardener group to walk the area and discuss the fall planting.

Recreational Trail grant Big Spring path

Rich explained that we have applied for the Recreational Trails grant in the amount of \$100,000 to help with the cost of the relocation of the Big Spring walk path. As part of the grant a public meeting must be held which will be conducted June 19 at Falling Springs Center at 5:30 pm. Citizens can also email their support or disapproval for the project to Rich's email.

Current Financial information

The board reviewed the May month end and YTD financials.

New Business

1. Rich informed the board that we had been awarded the Crumb Rubber grant to purchase 10 picnic tables made from recycled tires that will go in the new pavilion at Hunteertown Park. The total grant award was \$11,000.
2. Rich reminded the board that our regularly scheduled meeting in July will be moved 1 week later to July 17 at 6:30 pm

Motion to adjourn.

D. Lodmell motion to adjourn.

Next Meeting

July 17, 6:30 pm.
