

NOVEMBER MINUTES

Versailles Woodford County Parks and Recreation

November 11, 2024, 6:30 pm at Falling Springs Center

In Attendance

S. Finney, D. Lodmell, D. Gill, T. Sparks, A. Keith, J. Higdon, K. O'Reel, J. Gay, G. Cole, C. Stoudt

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve October minutes –S. Finney 2nd D. Gill – All voted in favor.

Guest – Bluegrass BERMS & KYMBA Bluegrass

Jeb Gorham provided an update on the handicap accessible bike trail built in the county park. They have secured funding to purchase 2 bike lockers to store handicap accessible bikes for use by the public. Motion to approve placement of two bike storage lockers and to establish an agreement with KYMBA regarding insurance and ownership D. Lodmell, 2nd S. Finney. All voted in favor.

Big Spring update and change order #1.

The board reviewed change order #1 which was a credit in amount of \$6,028.05 from redesign of playground area to decrease size of play area curbing. Rich explained that KU didn't want to place secondary power lines under the road to it was determined that transformer and meter would be set on the other side of Park St. and secondary line could be placed under road, but it would then be our line since it is after the meter.

Pickleball update

Rich informed the board that the pickleball courts were open for play and were nearly complete. We are waiting on City of Versailles to set water meter for the drinking fountain, C&R Asphalt to put the fence back up along the walk path to stadium and Tennis Technologies to install the gates. Rich is working with former Mayor Traugott on a date for a ribbon cutting ceremony this fall.

Kentucky Utility grants.

Rich informed the board that he has applied for two grants through Kentucky Utilities. First one is \$5,000 in matching funds to plant trees around the new pond. The second. a community grant in which we applied for \$100,000 to sponsor the new playground at Big Spring Park. There is no listed date or timeline as to when each of these grants could be announced.

Park Signage

Rich shared some preliminary designs for the new County Park entrance sign that will be the basis and start for all signage in all our parks. Rich asked for volunteers to sit on a committee to work with him and Ruggles on the designs. Christa Stoudt and Donita Lodmell agreed to serve on said committee.

Current Financial information

The board reviewed October month end and YTD financials.

New Business

Sioux announced that Huntertown Board has applied for \$3,900 grant from Woodford County Community Fund to place signage at the pollinator garden and bi-swale areas at the park.

Motion to adjourn.

D. Lodmell motion to adjourn.

Next Meeting December 9, 2024
