

Jennings County Parks & Recreation Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes: June 27, 2023

Present:

- Board Members: Avis McGovern, Samantha Wilder, Jennifer Sanders, Kristin Wiley, and Wayne Zamora
- Staff: Greg Martin
- Guests

1. Guests or Guest Reports

2. Approve Minutes - minutes approved

3. Old Business

a. Eco Park Update - septic is the main element that needs completed, progress is being made, July goal won't be met, realistic goal is now mid August. Discussion on when to open. Consensus was to open in the Spring when ready, possibly having a Grand Opening.

Regarding inconsistent width of camp sites, this has been addressed and taken care of.

b. Committee Meeting update from NLTG members -

c. Park Employee Evaluations -

d. Splash Pad update- Spear Corp. came June 8 and replaced parts and provided some training. Sand in the tank. Need to pass 2 chemical tests to get the go ahead. It's been shocked and ready to test again. If good, we'll be able to open tomorrow 6/28. Spear is on a call when needed basis. They can help with the close and are scheduled to open again next year.

4. New Business

a. Annual Budget Discussion - typically the budget is turned in July 1, Amy from Auditor's Office said to prepare budgets, but hasn't requested they be turned in as of yet. Greg is anticipating the second week of July.

b. Tree Removal quote presented from Goode Tree Care to remove several trees from both Eco Lake Park and Muscatatuck Park. Wayne made a motion, Avis seconded, motion carried.

5. Director's Report - see attached report

Office/Admin

Greg discussed having camp hosts stay at Eco Lake Park September and/or October to help with security.

Price change update - issue found in the Active system with pricing not calculating

variable prices correctly when booked for more than a week, tech has been unable to fix as of yet.

Wayne asked how the open of Eco Lake will affect the budget. Greg discussed how budget lines were adjusted to account for Eco Lake and an employee or two may need to be added once it opens.

Wayne asked if there are any big capital projects to consider. Greg discussed some possible upgrades, but that the push is to invest in campgrounds.

Wayne brought up looking at upgrading the primitive campsites at Muscatatuck.

Discussion followed.

Visit Indiana has not invoiced.

Grounds

Eco Lake Park had a clean up day.

6. Approve Claims - Wayne made a motion to approve claims, Avis seconded, motion carried.
7. Next Meeting: July 25 , 2023
8. Adjournment - 6:45 pm

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