

MINUTES

Perry County Park District Board - Regular Meeting March 14, 2022 3:30pm Somerset Courthouse - 100 Public Square, Somerset, OH

Mr. Moore called the March 14, 2022, Regular Meeting to order at 3:34 pm.

Roll Call Present: Scott Moore; Tami McAdams. Absent: Fred Redfern; (and two vacant board positions) Guests: Jessie Bennett - PCPD Volunteer Naturalist; Caleb Bennett; Steve Glade; Gary Turnes; Tim Sword (left meeting at 4:11pm);

- II. Comments from the Public/guests
 Steve Glade discussed several ideas for programs in partnership with the Perry Soil and
 Water Conservation District.
- III. Approve Agenda Items / Request for additional/revised agenda items
 - Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to approve the March 14, 2022, regular meeting agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - Mr. Moore moved, Ms. McAdams seconded, to approve the February 14, 2022, Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote
- V. Financial Status of Park District and Approval of Revenue and Expenses Ms. McAdams presented the financial reports for February 2022.
 - A. Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to approve the February 2022 revenue & expenses.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- VI. Old Business
 - A. Pending Lodging Tax fund requests The 911/Address signs have been approved. Mr. Moore and Ms. McAdams will discuss the website, chamber magazine and Ohio's Appalachian Country membership requests at the next meeting with the Commissioners.
 - B. Park address signage locations Soil & Water locations; other locations research Ms. McAdams advised she received a call from Penny Cox Perry Soil and Water Conservation District (S&W) the week of 3.7.22 inquiring about the address signage project. Ms. McAdams advised her the Park District is interested in providing 911/address # signs for Glenford Fort and the Gun Club. Ms. Cox said she will talk with her Board at their meeting later this week to see if they want signs from us for those two locations.

C. PC Travel Magazine Advertisement - update

Ms. McAdams advised that the payment checks for the ad payment were mailed 3.7.22. The total invoiced was \$178, instead of \$175 as originally thought. (\$3 additional for "statement print charge"). A second PO was opened for the additional \$3.00.

D. Ohio Appalachian Country membership

Ms. McAdams advised that she emailed OAC the week of 3.7.22 to inquire into when our listing would appear on their website. (payment made in January). Our listing is now on the OAC website.

There is an upcoming OAC membership ZOOM meeting on March 30, 2022, at 10:30 am. The Zoom link will be mailed out to member agencies just prior to the meeting and Ms. McAdams will forward it to Board members.

E. County Park and Recreation Master Plan project

Mr. Moore provided an update on the travel and tourism evaluation project stating that Mark Barbash of the OU economic development group advises they were in the process of assembling data on tourism and recreation assets in the county and starting to map those assets. They plan to pick five or six properties /assets in Perry County to focus on which would be most beneficial for development. Mr. Sword suggested inviting them to one of our board meetings to discuss their project.

- VII. Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Employment of Public Employee
 - Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to enter into executive session pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) for the purpose of discussing Employment of Public Employee. Roll call vote: Scott Moore-yes; Tami McAdams-yes. Entered executive session at 4:11 PM.
 - B. At 4:16 pm, the Board invited Jessie Bennett into the Executive Session.

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- C. Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to return from the executive session. Roll call vote: Scott Moore-yes; Tami McAdams-yes. Returned to regular session at 4:22 PM.
- D. Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to set a start date of April 2, 2022, for the new hire (part-time naturalist/program coordinator) Jessie Bennett of Glenford, pending final hiring approval from Perry County Commissioners.

The Board will obtain a new-hire forms packet and onboarding info from the PC Auditor's Office later this week.

VIII. New Business

A. Upcoming Community Events and Programming Report

Volunteer Naturalist Ms. Bennett reviewed recent and upcoming program information with the Board, including

1. Ohio State Trappers Association donation

2. Tri-fold park district information brochure in development

3.Summary of recent programs

- a) Woodcock Watch March 5 Glenford Ft 6 attendees
- b) Speaker Series Judge Cooperrider's .22-cal Killers 95 attendees

4.Program Planning

- a) Maple syrup videos in production
- b) PC Recycling Earth Day event April 25, 10-2, Mt Aloysius
- c) Woodcock watches Tues. March 15 & Fri. March 25 at 7:30
- d) Wildflower Hike @ Fincks, Ludowici, or Clay Center (April/May)
- e) Library programs
- f) FFA
- g) Stargazing/Astronomy

Ms. McAdams has reached out to the Columbus Astronomical Society to see if they can do a program or two for us in 2022.

- B. Upcoming meeting with PC Commissioners Weds Mar 16, 10:45a- new hire
 - 1. Mr. Moore and Ms. McAdams will be meeting with the County Commissioners on March 16 to present plan for hiring Jessie Bennett parttime in the position of Naturalist.

IX. Adjournment

Ms. McAdams moved, Mr. Moore seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:46 pm

Next Regular Meeting - Monday - April 11, 2022, 3:30pm Location: Corning Library 113 11th St, Corning, OH 43730

Reminder:

2022 Park Board Meeting Dates/Locations -

- A. March- June 2022 (Somerset/Corning/Junction City/Thornville)
- B. July Sept 2022 (New Lexington/Hemlock/Crooksville)
- C. Oct Dec 2022 (New Straitsville/Glenford/Shawnee)