

January 20, 2022 – Park Authority Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:20 pm at The Washington County Building by Ben Casteel.

Present: Ben Casteel - Chairman, Jennifer Blankenship, Michael Johnson, Keith Owens, Keith Bazyk, Jim Hutton, Claude Worrell, Tony Fetty called in.

Public Comment: NA

Park Authority Manager Report:

1. The splash pad is back on track, we had to get an environment narrative and engineering documents. C1-C11 must be completed by a licensed engineer. The Lane Group is currently working on these documents and supposed to have it by the end of next week. These documents will cost around \$4,000, which is less than the original quote from the company out of Blacksburg.
2. The seasonal lottery is going through January 31, 2022. We are up to 90 entries in this lottery. After the lottery, send out a notification email letting those that didn't win that they can still rent two weeks at a time.
3. The reservation system is up and running and we have several reservations already for 2022 season.

Recreation Department Report: Keith Owens

1. Jason and I met for about 45 minutes about what will happen to the parks that fall under the Recreation Department. Sholes Park in Glade is owned by the Park Authority. I'm not certain what will happen once I retire, if my department remains, programs will continue, etc., I wish I knew, but I do not. I will be working Tuesday and Thursdays through the month of February. I am 10 more working days until I retire.

A motion to approve the December 2021, minutes was made by Keith Owens and seconded by Jim Hutton. The motion passed 7-0-0.

A motion was made to approve the January payroll by Michael Johnson and seconded by Jennifer Blankenship. Motion passed 7-0-0.

A motion was made by Jennifer Blankenship to approve the December financial report and seconded by Michael Johnson. Motion passed 7-0-0.

Old Business:

1. Splash Pad Project- See Tony's report above
2. The Gate Project – We need to purchase posts and electronics, around \$5,000 to purchase those. I'm waiting to see the development of the splash pad before I make those purchases. It will take several of us to install and a few

days to get the electronics worked out. There will be three keypad entries and sensors for exits.

3. The by-laws were passed out to the entire board of supervisors as to which direction we are going as a park authority. The board called Jason Berry and asked what the board of supervisors said about the future of the authority.
4. The county needs to figure out what we can do with the parks that are currently being maintained by the Park and Recreation Department. The parks and recreation department, Tony and Chairman of Park Authority can sit down with Jason and develop a plan as Keith Owens retires.

New Business:

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Next scheduled meeting is February 24, 2022, at 6:00 pm at The Washington County Building.

A motion to adjourn by Jennifer Blankenship and seconded by Keith Owens.
Motion passed 7-0-0.