

The monthly meeting of the Washington County Park Authority was held, Monday, November 6, 2023 at 6:43 pm at the Washington County Building.

Present Ben Casteel - Chairman, Steven Statzer, Jim Hutton, Claude Worrell, Lisa Wilson, Tony Fetty

Absent: Jennifer Blankenship, Stuart Wright

## Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment :
  - a. Claude Worrell- positive feedback from a camper.
  - b. Steven Statzer- positive feedback from a BoS member.
3. Washington County Park Authority Manager Report :
  - a. Pushing splash pad with TVA, approval granted. Hardware and equipment being ordered.
  - b. Impromptu camp picnic for seasonal campers happened with live music, it was well received and requested again.
  - c. Gate pad has been laid, Electrical is pending.
  - d. No issues with park closing, shutdown went smoothly.
  - e. Switching the main page to a whole authority page vs. current. Tony is working on resolving technical and design issues with this.
  - f. Still working on Baseball fields, found issue with compaction, and material needed for the Beaver Dam fields is in.
  - g. USDA Field office has requested to partner with us for a rabies study.
  - h. Credit Card Processing Fee: Need to decide on a flat fee or percentage.
  - i. Walmart Grants - Up to \$5,000 per grant and up to 23 applications per year. Tony is submitting several.
  - j. Four prospects have been found for the Superintendent position.
4. Recreation Department Report : N/A
5. Submitting and approval of the October Minutes. (as amended)

Motion was made by Steven Statzer, Seconded by Jim Hutton.  
Motion passed 5-0-0
6. Approval to pay the August Bills and Approval of the July Financial Report. After discussion, no action was needed on financial reports at this meeting.
7. Old Business:

- a. Real Estate Purchase- has completed, it is county land at this time.
  - b. Park Superintendent Hiring
8. New Business:
- a. Tree Planting Date Tentatively planned for Friday of this week.
9. Board Member Action Items:
- A. Ben Casteel -
  - B. Jim Hutton -
  - C. Jennifer Blankenship -
  - E. Claude Worrell -
  - F. Steven Statzer -
  - G. Stuart Wright -

Motion to adjourn was made by Steven Statzer, and Seconded by Claude Worrell. Motion passed 5-0-0

Next regular meeting is scheduled for December 4, with a potential for a called meeting to interview Park Superintendent candidates.

Sincerely,

Ben Casteel, Chairman  
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