

MINUTES OF THE December 9th, 2020 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BEARDSTOWN COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT, CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6:30 pm ON December 9th, 2020 AT THE SCHEWE COMMUNITY CENTER, 6 ARMORY LANE, BEARDSTOWN, ILLINOIS.

The December meeting of the Beardstown Park District board of commissioners was held on December 9th at the Schewe Community Center. President Nathan Carls called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm and roll was taken. Commissioners present included Nathan Carls, Becky Jones, Travis Schroll, Joe McClenning and Josh Sorrells. Also in attendance was Park Director Jason Brockschmidt.

The minutes of the November 11th regular meeting were approved on a motion by Mrs. Jones and a second by Mr. Sorrells with all voting to approve.

The Treasurers report and the Claims List were approved on a motion by Mr. Schroll and a second by Mr. McClenning with all directors voting yea.

Mr. Brockschmidt then presented the Director's Report. He announced that the National Guard should be out of the basketball gym giving us use by December 14, 2020. He updated the board regarding the JBS Hometown Strong grant proposal, letting them know he had applied for funds to improve the soccer field as a 1st priority along with a new all purpose rec building and other improvements as discussed before.

The board then discussed recreation programs. It was decided that the weight room would remain open and the basketball gym could open, following current guidelines. All youth recreation programs and adult volleyball and Zumba would remain on hold for now per COVID-19 guidelines.

Mr. Brockschmidt informed the Board that the park had received a memorial donation from Sager Funeral Home in honor of Briston and Jordan Dunmire who drowned in the river this summer. The money is to be earmarked to help cover the cost of swimming lessons for anyone who wants them but cannot afford them. He also informed the board that the park had received \$1325 in memorial donations in memory of Barb Jackson that is earmarked for use in the Bob Sinnock Learn to Fish Program. Bob was Barb's father and this will allow the program to continue well into the future.

Next the possibility of hiring a part time secretary only and a full time maintenance person was discussed again. The board requested Mr. Brockschmidt put together a break down of past salaries and proposal of possible salary costs under this scenario as well as a break down of job duties.

Mr. Brockschmidt then reminded the board that the filing period to run for the board in the April election was December 14-21. Mr. Carls informed the board that he would not be seeking election while the others indicated they would. This will leave 3 candidates for 4 positions unless someone else comes in for a petition soon. The board instructed Mr. Brockschmidt to contact the county and make sure this was not going to be a problem on the ballot.

He next informed the board the Park Office/Weight rooms would be closed December 24 through December 26 for Christmas and December 31 and January 1 for New Years. He also told the board he had sold the 3 old trucks that were not running for \$1000 and that the next board meeting was scheduled for January 13, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm with a motion from Mr. Sorrells and a second by Mr. Carls.