

COBB-HIGHLAND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes from May 8, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Kosharek, Al Linscheid, Gail Richgels, Laura Anderson, Bret Barr, and Tom Jenks

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Kreul, Dan Baker, Ryan Shemak, and Steve Holmes

ALSO PRESENT: Tom Michek, Park Manager
Morgan Shemak, Assistant Park Manager
Lisa Riley, Bookkeeper
Don Leix

Meeting was called to order by Al Kosharek at 6:35 p.m.

Meeting notice was legally posted on Monday, May 6, 2024

Public Input – Laura Anderson commented that when they were camping the previous weekend she noticed the site number signs were all over as people moved them or drove over them. Discussion if there was another option. Tom Michek stated the sign numbers have to be visible for emergency purposes. It was also discussed that a speed bump may be needed by #90 as people are driving extremely fast in that area. Bret Barr provided some information regarding a pickleball court size and he estimated the cost to be approximately \$3,000. Discussion followed regarding the potential location, the actual cost, the number of people that may actually use it and for how long, and if there is really a need. The Commission asked for the item to be placed on the next meeting agenda again and suggested creating a survey for campers to see what the interest is for potential additions.

Don Leix informed the Commission that Iowa County reviewed the rules and should only have one representative on the Cobb-Highland Recreation Commission. Don will be the appointed County Board person and Darrell Kreul will be the substitute.

Review and Approve Minutes – Minutes from the April 10, 2024 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Bret Barr, seconded by Laura Anderson to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report – Lisa Riley updated the Commission that she is continuing to work on the financials, but hasn't had any extra time to commit this last month due to having cataract surgeries in April.

Maintenance/Equipment

- **Beach Wall** – The beach wall has been finalized. About \$2,500 worth of sand was added. The matting worked well from Blattner Energy for the project. The total cost of the beach wall was approximately \$15,000 with Blackhawk Lake's share of \$7,000 and the remaining funds being covered by the \$8,000 grant from Iowa County.
- **Beach Shower House** – There is not a lot left to do. They are hoping to be done by Memorial Day weekend. Otter Creek Construction's bid was \$209,513 which included a \$10,000 contingency. There are approximately three weeks until the end of the project. An invoice for \$90,259.00 has been received. We have already paid \$104,709.00 to Otter Creek Construction for the project to date. Tom Michek explained the \$3,000 additional costs to Zander for the baseboard. If any commission members have questions, feel free to ask Tom.

- **Concrete Work** – Matt Downing may be here to start the concrete work in the next week or so.
- **Iowa County Tourism Grant** – The Commission did not receive any monies from this year's Iowa County Tourism Grant.
- **Funds Analysis** – After reviewing the current cash on hand funds of approximately \$70,000 and the large expenses for the beach shower house project, Tom said we should be able to cover all expenses by adding the Highland State Bank CD when it matures this month. The other \$30,000 CD at Royal Bank will mature in October. We are at the time of year where regular monies are coming in.
- **Next Major Expenses** – Tom Michek informed the Commission that it will be time to start putting money away in CD's for well drilling. The nitrate levels are gradually increasing and will need to be addressed. Sealcoating will also need to be finished, as it was pushed back due to the shower house project.
- **Grounds Update** – Tree removal still needs to be done by the beach. A bunch of locust trees were cut by the cabins.

Next Meeting Date – The next meeting date will be June 12th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment - A motion was made by Al Linscheid, seconded by Gail Richgels, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Commission Secretary

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Commission Clerk