

COBB-HIGHLAND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes from September 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Kosharek, Al Linscheid, Bret Barr, Dan Baker, Gail Richgels, Jeremy Simplot, Laura Anderson, Mary Foley, Tom Jenks

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerry Riley

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Welsh, Park Manager
Tom Michek, Assistant Park Manager
Helen Laufenberg
Ron Benish

The meeting notice was legally posted.

The meeting was called to order by Al Kosharek at 7:00 p.m.

Public Input – A concern was brought forward regarding the camper in the overflow site all summer. He has been working in exchange for camping privileges. A liability issue was raised as he is doing work for the Lake but not an official employee. Following discussion, it was decided his campsite will be moved and he will be offered a “camp host” position next year.

The minutes from the August 2019 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Tom Jenks, seconded by Gail Richgels to approve the minutes from the August 2019 meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

The treasurer’s report for August 2019 was presented. A motion was made by Al Linscheid, seconded by Dan Baker to approve the August 2019 treasurer’s report. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

New Business

- Dan presented the need for a different snow plow for the new truck that has been purchased as the current plow is too light-weight. A used snow plow is available from Fillback Ford that will fit the new truck. The cost for the used snow plow is \$3900 which includes installation. The old snow plow will be advertised for sale. A motion was made by Bret Barr, seconded by Jeremy Simplot to purchase the used snow plow from Fillback Ford at a cost of \$3900 and to sell the current snow plow. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- Fish Stocking - Dan reported that the DNR has stocked 2200 large, fingerling walleyes in the lake. Blackhawk Lake will be responsible for fish stocking next year.
- Google Analytics – The new Google Analytics report was shared with the committee. This report shows the usage of the Blackhawk Lake website. It was requested that this report be shared monthly.
- Group Electrical Upgrade – Dan reported that there are currently 5 group sites allowing 4 campers per site with only one pedestal at the site. There is a need for more electricity at these sites. A proposal presented would upgrade the electrical to two (2)-50 amp pedestals on 6 sites. Because of the cost of the project (estimated at \$32K plus), plans need to be drawn and bids requested.
- Group Bathroom Upgrade – With improvements to the group sites, a larger bathroom will be needed. It was suggested that 2 toilets each be added to the men’s and women’s bathrooms. This project will need to be engineered and permits approved by the DNR. Depending upon the approval process, this will become a next fall project.
- Add Electric to 8 sites (#94-#105) – A proposal to add 8 electrical sites in the lower loop with 30 amp service was reviewed. Pilling Electric submitted a bid for \$9176 for this project. Jeremy Simplot moved to accept the bid from Pilling Electric in the amount of \$9176. Al Linscheid seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- Make 19 Sites Reservable (#93-#112) ; Make 11 Sites Non-Reservable (#108, #111, #113-#121) - Dan requested that the electrical sites (#93-#112) be made reservable and the non-electrical sites become non-reservable. A motion was made by Bret Barr, seconded by Al Linscheid to approve this change beginning with the start of the new camping season next year. The motion carried.
- Dan requested that the website be updated to add a map that shows the availability of sites in real time. There is capability in the current website for this modification.
- The replacement of the cabin roofs will be bid.

The next scheduled meeting will take place at the park office on October 9th, 2019 at 7 pm.

A motion for adjournment was made by Jeremy Simplot, seconded by Tom Jenks. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

X Tom Jenks
Commission Secretary

X Helen K. Lauferberg
Commission Clerk