

Prairieville Township Parks and Recreation Report March 2022

- Update on ordinance changes: The Parks Commission approved the changes at our February 28, 2022, meeting. The changes are now at Catherine's office to make sure everything is legal and can be defended in court should that be an issue. We are combining the changes, the rest of Ordinance 152 and Amendment 160 in one document. I will send Ordinance #175 to you once we get the legal go ahead. This way you can read it over before the April meeting when we will ask for your approval.
- Other questions we are checking on with Catherine are:
 - Do our parks on the lakes need life rings?
 - An individual from Gull Lake would like to have a tub with life jackets available to people to use and return. She has asked if it can be at the park. She is getting these through a grant. We are checking with legal to make sure we have no liability with this.
 - When developing the 5-year plan there was an interest in a Horseshoe Pit. We would put it at Pine Lake Rec Center but first are checking to make sure there is no liability. If we do this, people will bring their own horseshoes.
- Three of us (Scott Kuebler, Emily Ritchie and yours truly) will be meeting on March 8 with Jim Stoneburner and Barry Bower to share our brainstorming and discuss next steps for the Upper Crooked Lake Wash Station. Thank you to the Township Board for giving us the opportunity to use the cell tower money for this project.
- The company that was going to build our new docs for the parks has withdrawn. TK Pence is now looking for bids for these docks.
- Two new ideas we are considering are time locks on the restrooms at Gull Lake and a donation box to be put at Pine Lake Rec Area. There is no charge to use that park and there will not be. We just want to make it convenient for people to donate money if they are inclined. The money would go toward upkeep of that park.

May the luck of the Irish be with you,

From the granddaughter of Mary Ellen O'Leary

