

PARKS REPORT – PARKS MANAGER TK

- The docks are here & are being stored behind the garage at the Township Hall until Spring installation.
- The floating dock & buoys are out of the lake. Pricing for the new buoys is \$330 each. Judy Risdon suggested putting the old buoys by the roadside marking them for free. Five buoys need replacing & need to be budgeted for next year. Shipping time frame needs to be considered.
- UCL wash station
 1. New reel is here for placement next Spring
 2. The catchment pad will need replacing at some point next year.
- The docks at Pine Lake, UCL, and LCL will be pulled in 2 weeks. If someone would like the old docks, they may be picked up. If no one claims them, they will be burned. The notice about old docks will be placed on the Parks & Rec web page and Facebook page.
- The trees at GL are to be removed in the Spring and replaced by bushes from Wenke's. The bushes will flower from Spring to Fall. The estimate will be from \$500.00-600.00
- TK demonstrated the cameras placed at GL & UCL for a live feed.
- The Open/Closed sign will cost \$700 itself, installation is \$670, the parts necessary for installation are \$125. There is a year warranty if the company installs. If TK installs the one-year warranty is voided. **Judy Risdon made a motion to purchase the sign and have TK install. Seconded by Gary Baumgardener. Yeas carry**
- The Verizon Tower has been marked for placement, but construction has not yet begun.

FISHING TOURNAMENT UPDATE - RECREATION DIRECTOR SCOTT

GL HAS 1 TOURNAMENT LEFT FOR 2022

2023 HAS 9 FOR GL

9 FOR UCL

7 FOR PINE WITH 3 FOR THE MARINA

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes - state name and address)

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Updates: cameras, kayak launch and returnable container

- Cameras: a demonstration of the camera/computer use was given. All are now installed.
- The kayak launch is still under review. A launch for the disabled is also in the 5 year plan
- Returnable container is in place but there has been some confusion as to its use. The container has been moved to its own location separate from the trash receptacles. Judy Risdon is monitoring its use. MaryAnn Devries has spoken with the Scouts and another contact needs to be made.

Five Year Plan: thoughts Gull Lake Pavilion, fishing access at Parker Road, NCT Walkway

- The list for the 5-year plan has been updated
- Projects mentioned for 2023:
 1. Place a porta john for Parker Road Park/NCT
 2. Wheelchair access to the Pickle Ball Courts
 3. Picnic Tables ordered
 4. Pavilion at GL
 - ✓ Craig Shoemaker suggested a Spark Grant
 - ✓ He has sent the grant forms
 5. NCT Walkway
 - ✓ Would like to get a grant
 - ✓ Estimated to build a walkway & fishing platform is \$90,000
 - ✓ 4-8 feet wide
 - ✓ Grantors like to see organizations working together, i.e. Parks & Recreation, Township Board, NCT committee

NEW BUSINESS

Snow Approval Bid for Township Board

Two areas need to be addressed:

First -

- ✓ Need to amend the **current** contract to include bids for salt application on the icy parking lot. Last year's price was \$75 for each application. TK Pence will get an updated amount. This needs to go to the Township Board in November.
- ✓ Need to order salt/sand soon and establish storage area

Second -

- ✓ Need to determine cost adjustment for 2023-24 fiscal year including:
 1. Gas pricing
 2. Wear & Tear on truck
 3. Tires for truck
 4. Salt/sand pricing
- ✓ The Parks goal is to offer a fair bid that is a money maker yet a good deal for the Township. This proposal needs to go to Township Board at their December meeting so it must be acted on at the November Parks meeting.

Administrative fee approval for Township

Every year we pay \$500 to the Township for administrative fees for services rendered.

**A motion was made to pay the \$500 to the Township for administrative fee by Gary Baumgardener, seconded by Judy Risdon
Yeas carried**

Salary, Parks Manager

SALARY COMPUTATION

A discussion was held regarding the Parks Manager's wages focusing on Salary vs Hourly wages. An accounting of hours worked for the last 3 years was itemized. Factors of a 7day work week occurring with on call hours were considered. An average of 1700 hours at \$22/hour=\$37,400.

A motion was made by Judy Risdon to use 1700 hours at \$22/hour = \$37,400 for an annual salary be adopted for the Parks Manager Salary. Seconded by MaryAnn Devries. Yeas carried

GLWQ – Judy

Kay Grosse was concerned about the stream going through the park ay GL. They are more concerned about raising awareness to keep the grounds natural and the shorelines

The WQ committee is also concerned about Wake Boats stirring up the lake bottom.

Meeting about UCL grant and Response to UCL plan – MaryAnn

MaryAnn and Paul Yelsma met about Paul writing a grant for UCL. There are some great opportunities for the future, but the status of the wash station next year is foremost.

The DCL Association sent a response as requested, regarding the Wash Station and its usage and staffing. There was a long discussion and input from everyone. Judy and MaryAnn will draft a response and email it to all members for their approval before sharing it with DCLA. The goal is for this to be completed by mid-November.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes - state name and address)

Richard Van Niman, 12710 Merlau Ave.

The Riparian Magazine has had articles regarding the wake boats. The actions of the boats scours the lake bottom up to 30 feet.

Ted Devries, 12712 Merlau Ave.

The election is coming up. Voting is either here at the hall or by absentee ballot. Gary Baumgardner is a write in candidate for the Parks Board. The Prairieville Township Board wants to express their thanks to MaryAnn for stepping in and doing this job. We really appreciate your work and efforts. Thank you!

BOARD COMMENTS

Chairperson – MaryAnn Devries

I would like to thank everyone for allowing me the opportunity to serve & learn about the Commission. Not only did I learn about the Parks, but I realized that this is a good commission! You have different viewpoints yet work well together. There is no question in my mind that you will do well.

Vice-chairperson - Kevin Loudon

Absent

Secretary - Judy Risdon

Thank you so much for all your work! I appreciate all you have done!

Treasurer – Gary Baumgardener

It has been great working with you! I have learned so much!

Recreation Director - Scott Kuebler-
Absent at the end of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion to adjourn was made by Gary Baumgardener, seconded by
MaryAnn Devries. Yeas carry**

8:44PM

Respectfully.

Lorraine Brown