

1 **Prairieville Regular Parks Commission Meeting**
2 **March 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.**

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4 **CALL TO ORDER 6:30 p.m.**

5 **ROLL CALL**

6 Acting Chairperson - Dave Haas
7 Vice-chairperson - Kevin Loudon-Present
8 Secretary - Judy Risdon- Present
9 Treasurer – Gary Baumgardner- Present
10 Recreation Director - Scott Kuebler- Present
11 Commission Member- Dave Haas- Present

12 **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

13 **Motion to accept the agenda as presented made by Scott Kuebler, second by**
14 **Judy Risdon Yeas carry.**

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16 **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

17 **Motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Scott Kuebler, 2nd by Kevin**
18 **Louden Yeas carry**

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20 **TREASURER’S REPORT** – pooled cash as of \$198,372.29

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22 **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

23 **Motion made to accept the Treasure’s report & to pay bills in the amount of**
24 **\$4968.83, after clarification with Treasurer Pence of Line items:**

- 25 **1. 39037 T2 System**
- 26 **2. 39042 Wayne Burdo payment**
- 27 **3. 39046 Garbage payments to Bestway**
- 28 **4. 39031 Porta Johns Charges**

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30 **by Scott Kuebler, 2nd by Judy Risdon Yeas carry.**

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32 **CORRESPONDENCE** –

33 Scott Kuebler received a note from a volunteer who would help with the preparation of
34 the Disc Golf course. Parks Manager Pence has already hired a worker for that purpose but
35 after the season begins, we can contact the volunteer to assist.

36 Gary Baumgardner received a thank you note from the Delton-Kellogg Bass Club for
37 the Parks Commission’s help with the park passes for the club. Each club member signed the
38 card!

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41 **PRAIRIEVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING REPORT**

- 42 - • Judy Risdon reported to the Board on 3.15.2023
43 Who will report for the next 4 months?
- 44 • Dave Haas- 4.19.23
 - 45 • Gary Baumgardner-5.17.23
 - 46 • Kevin Loudon- 6.21.23
 - 47 • Scott Kuebler – 7.19.23
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49 **PARKS REPORT – PARKS MANAGER T K Pence**

- 50 • Docks are to be placed later this week, LCL still has a dock to be disposed of
51 The UCL dock is gone, Old Pine lake dock will be moved when placement is scheduled
52 at the new homeowner's.
- 53 • The buoys for the Gull Lake swim area
54 ✓ Need suppliers.
55 ✓ Cost \$500 each, need four for replacement.
56 ✓ Gary Baumgardner will apply for grant.
- 57 • The tree near the dock will be removed before the dock is placed.
- 58 • We have 3 Park attendants hired [Dev, Molly, Wyatt, and one for the disc golf area]
59 ✓ Applications are available on the website.
60 ✓ \$15/hr., possible 20-hour week.
- 61 • Porta Johns & Waste collection should start in April.
- 62 • The gate will be lowered at UCL.
- 63 • Wash Station- need a topographical map to demonstrate water flow for the permits for
64 improvements.
- 65 • A toolbox is needed for the Parks Truck and has not been purchased as yet.
- 66 • Two teams are interested in using the ball diamonds at the parks.

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68 **FISHING TOURNAMENT UPDATE - RECREATION DIRECTOR**

69 GULL LAKE HAS 69 UPPER CROOKED HAS 51
70 LOWER CROOKED HAS 5 PINE LAKE HAS 44
71 26 SCHEDULED FOR CENTER STREET

72 Only one conflict, the second scheduled has been notified and we are awaiting a reply

73 We are beginning at end of year numbers.

74 There is a demonstration of improved scheduling practices.

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77 **PUBLIC COMMENT** (3 minutes - state name and address)

78 Jennifer Sinclair, 11146 Gurd Rd, Delton.

79 We have been fishing as a club for 3 years and you have helped the club by issuing
80 park passes. Since we have started the club has doubled this year. We now have twelve
81 teams and are registered on the DNR site. A Youth Fishing Tournament is scheduled on Gun
82 Lake. I am assisting Plainwell High School in establishing a club and am working with another
83 school. The club has been opened to the middle school and Hastings. There is a full schedule
84 till Labor Day.

85 We are again asking for assistance with the Park Passes.

86 **A motion was made by Gary Baumgardner, seconded by Scott Kuebler, to**
87 **approve 12 Park Passes for the Delton-Kellogg School District Fishing Club with**
88 **permission to adjust the number as needed. Yeas carried.**

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90 12 tags and one code will be issued to be collected at the Township Office.

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92 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 93 • The buoys for the Gull Lake swim area
94 ✓ Need suppliers.
95 ✓ Cost \$500 each, need 4 for replacement.
96 ✓ Gary Baumgardner will apply for grant.
- 97 • Master Plan & Grant writing

- 98 ✓ Craig Shoemaker sent an email to the Commission suggesting Rick Stout
99 be approached to assist in writing a master plan; Rick Stout will be at the
100 April meeting to discuss Grant Writing.
101 • Liability Insurance for volunteers at the UCL Wash Station
102 An email was sent but no response has been received yet. Judy Risdon.
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104 NEW BUSINESS

- 105 • Kayak Launch at LCL dock.
106 ✓ Discussion was held RE: type, use, color, placement, floating vs stationary
107 dock
108 ✓ Gary Baumgardner will apply for grant with the Barry County Recreation.
109 **A motion as made by Scott Kuebler, to authorize the purchase of a Kayak**
110 **Launch in the color of tan for the LCL dock site. Seconded by Gary**
111 **Baumgardner. Yeas carried.**
112 • Nighttime Fishing
113 A suggestion was made to amend Ordinance No.175, Sect III, B., 3.,b.
114 Smelt fishing is usually December 15 to April 1.
115 **A motion was made by Gary Baumgardner seconded by Judy Risdon to**
116 **amend Ordinance No.175, Sect III, B., 3.,b to include Smelt Fishing on Gull**
117 **Lake December 15 to April 1 yearly. Yeas carried.**

118 PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes - state name and address)

120 BOARD COMMENTS

124 Chair-Commission Member- Dave Haas

125 I want to Thank you for this opportunity to sit in the Big Chair!
126 Vice-chairperson - Kevin Louden

127 Thank You Dave, Good Job as Chair!

128 Treasurer – Gary Baumgardener

129 It was a good meeting. Getting a lot done.

130 Recreation Director - Scott Kuebler

131 I want to Thank the Delton-Kellogg Fishing Club for all their efforts in
132 encouraging fishing with the youth! Thankful for all people who encourage our
133 youth!

134 Secretary - Judy Risdon

135 Thank you everyone! We need to discuss next month's agenda. What do we
136 want to discuss.

- 137 ✓ Playground safety
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- New Equipment
- ✓ Encourage Park usage.
- ✓ Summer Activities
 - Walk the North Country Trail
 - Concert in the Park
- ✓ Gary Baumgardener report on the Grants

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NEXT MEETING 4.24.2023 at 6:30 PM.

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ADJOURNMENT

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**A motion was made to Adjourn the meeting by Scott Kuebler, seconded by
Judy Risdon. Yeas carry.**

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Adjourned at 7:40PM

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Respectfully, Lorraine Brown