

Allegan County Parks Advisory Board



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Chairperson: Pam Brown
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PARKS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING – MINUTES

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 @ 8:30am

County Service Building – Board Conference Room -3283 122nd Ave, Allegan, MI 49010

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CALL TO ORDER: Brown called to order at 8:32am

ROLL CALL:

Present: Brown, Clark, DeYoung, Formsma, Metz

Absent:

Also Present: Brandy Gildea

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Formsma seconded by Clark to approve the February 1, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion made by Clark, seconded by Formsma to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried

PARK ADMINISTRATION UPDATES: Gildea went over the written administrative update report that was sent to the Parks Advisory Board.

REVIEW ITEMS:

1. **Financial Statements**
 - a. Review Quarter Revenue Comparisons

Gildea went over the expenditure and revenue statements located in agenda packet. Gildea then went over the quarterly revenues comparisons.

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Disc Golf Course @ Littlejohn Lake County Park** – Review and recommend to the BOC a request to build a recreation Disc Golf course at Littlejohn Lake Park.

Motion made by Brown, seconded by Metz to Recommend BOC authorize the design and construction of a recreation Disc Golf course at Littlejohn Lake Park. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Silver Creek Campsite Usage – Designated Equestrian vs Non Equestrian Campsites** – Discussed the issues with equestrian camper’s vs non-equestrian campers. Will monitor through out 2022 and see if increased Ranger presence and a having a camp host can help in educating non-equestrians about etiquette around horses.
2. **Park Entrance Signage** –Gildea went over two designs that were found in the Agenda packet. The parks board unanimously agreed to move forward with design 1. Gildea will get mock –ups and quotes for every park.
3. **Park Fee Structure Review -**
 - a. Pavilion (1/2 day vs full day)
 - b. Season Pass
 - i. Separate boating vs equestrian pass
 - ii. Kayakers/canoes vs boats that use ramp

Gildea went over the current structure for both pavilion and season passes. They are not suggesting any changes to pavilion structure as the half days provide good customer service. Discussion occurred around how we could better track usage by separating the season pass so there is one for boating and one for equestrian trails.

Motion made by Brown, seconded by Metz to separate our current season pass, no longer having a season pass that covers both, and each boating and equestrian trail have its own season pass. The motion carried.

NOTICE OF PARK ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- **Vacancy: term expires 12/22**
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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: -None

ROUND TABLE:

Clark – Thank you for moving forward with disc golf course at Littlejohn Lake Park

Brown – Thank you for discussing equestrians vs. non-equestrians.

DeYoung – hope that as covid is settling we will see more civil attitudes out in our parks and campgrounds.

ADJOURNMENT: Next Meeting –June 7, 2022 @ 8:30 am in County Service Building
– Board Conference Room -3283 122nd Ave, Allegan, MI 49010

A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Metz to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am. The motion carried.