

## St. Clair Township Park Committee Meeting Minutes 10/10/2023

Meeting to order 7:00pm

Present: Bob Buechler, Brian Dulski, Don Wallace, Shelly Korves, Tonda VanHoos

Guest: none

Tonda motion to approve minutes, Second Don, Approved

Public Comment:

- none

Centennial Park:

- Open house went well. About 100 attendees in and out. Well received by guests. Kids enjoyed playground.
- Swansea requested and article for Swansea Report re open house.
- Richland Creek Association felt the event went well for them too.
- MEPRD grant reimbursement applied for and to be received soon.
- Don to contact Illinois State Forester to identify a few types of trees so we can install some signage.
- State funds have been earmarked for township parks in fiscal 25. Small covered picnic tables, informational sign, additional parking.

Loop Creek:

- KDG miscalculations on the pickle ball court project cost the township about \$40,000 in lost grant revenue. KDG did not offer any concessions.
- Supervisor to review to see if KDG has existing contract and consider utilizing other firms for future projects as a result of poor execution of Loop Creek Pickle Ball project.
- St. Clair Parks Recreation grant submitted.
- Discussion on how to proceed, but no determination because we do not have the numbers to make a decision.
- No vandalism since bathroom reopened.

Wolf Branch/Whiteside/High Mount:

- Busses continue to block tennis parking lot at Wolf Branch. Supervisor to call school.
- Nets replaced.
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Park Programming

- Endangered Wolf Center to host an educational offering in Sept 21, 2024. Supervisor to secure.
- Butterfly House

- World Bird Sanctuary
- Movie in the park
- Tye Dye Iguana
- Illinois River Watch

Good of the Order:

- Consider Union school for promotion of programming

Shelly motion to adjourn, Tonda seconded, passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:37pm.