

The Barnes County Park Board met in regular session on Thursday, December 3, 2015. The following were present: Andre Delorme, Bill Carlblom, Bobby Koeplin, Mike Metcalf, John Froelich, and Scott Tichy. Kerry Johnson was unable to attend. Also present was Shawn Mayfield of Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson.

Park Board Chairman Bobby Koeplin called the meeting to order at 7:00 am. Mike Metcalf was introduced as the new Vice-Chairman. The agenda was reviewed. Scott Tichy moved to approve the agenda; Bill Carlblom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Froelich moved to approve the November 5, 2015 minutes; Bill Carlblom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FINANCIALS: Note: ND FEMA 3% match outstanding receivable \$9,803.43. Bill Carlblom moved to approve the November 2015 year to date financials; Andre Delorme seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORTS/UPDATES: Grant deadline for Land & Water and Recreational Trails is January 29th; Garrison is April 1st; and Heritage is March 1st.

OLD BUSINESS: Asphalt Special Road Project bids opening was held November 30th. The County Commission approved the 2016 Barnes County paving bids, which included projects in both County Parks. Bobby Koeplin to relay bids to ND Game and Fish, to determine if their match can still be used to make additional paving improvements, and/or have a thicker asphalt lift completed, to make the roadways last longer. Order of the updated registration envelopes is pending the arrival of the draft from North Dakota Envelope. John Froelich made a motion to order 5,000 envelopes in two different colors (3,000 orange envelopes for Clausen Springs and 2,000 yellow envelopes for Little Yellowstone) at a cost of \$245 per 1,000; Scott Tichy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Scott Tichy updated the group on options for the Playground Equipment Plan. Scott Tichy will lay out a plan and get some prices. He will also look at pricing for a soccer goal at Little Yellowstone.

OTHER: Parks had firewood sales of \$2,040 in 2015 and park truck mileage was 11,319 miles, down significantly from prior years. Preliminary discussion with respect to the Parks operating season: Currently April 9 through 3rd weekend of deer gun season; Discussed considering April 8 through October 31 or November 8 in 2016.

PENDING: Grants for a Concrete Privy at Clausen Springs, a Shower House at Little Yellowstone, and a Playground at Clausen Springs are pending. Park Board consensus for Bobby Koeplin to apply for applicable grants and leverage resources, understanding that matching funds needed, pending grant approval, will need to be approved by the Park Board and or County Commission. .

Other discussion included issues with the spring water collection sites.

John Froelich moved to adjourn; Scott Tichy seconded the motion. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 am.

Beth M Didier
Barnes County Auditor

Bobby Koeplin, Chairman
Barnes County Park Board