

The Barnes County Park Board met in regular session on Thursday, October 13, 2016. The following were present: Bobby Koeplin, Kerry Johnson, Mike Metcalf, Bill Carlbom, John Froelich, and Andre Delorme. Scott Tichy was unable to attend. Also present was Faye Rockswold.

Park Board Chairman Bobby Koeplin called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m., and the agenda was reviewed and additions were made. Bill Carlbom moved to approve the agenda, Kerry Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Froelich moved to approve the September 8, 2016 minutes; Bill Carlbom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reimbursements have been received for the paving and Rural Water projects. Bill Carlbom moved to accept the September year-to-date financials as presented; Mike Metcalf seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Grant Updates: Submitted/pending: SERVE grant - \$5,000 was applied for; \$2,500 was received. The ND Community Foundation \$2,000 grant application was denied. Eagles Aerie 2192 - have received a total of \$2,000 to date; had requested \$5,000.

Old Business: 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Event final income & expenses were discussed – there are still a couple of outstanding bills, but it appears the net profit will be around \$2,000, which will go towards playground improvements. Privies have been ordered for June 1, 2017 delivery. The steel for replacement of the fiberglass skylights for the park shop has been ordered. The culvert at Little Yellowstone has been removed and new one placed to drain the water away from the north electrical sites. Additional playground equipment options were shared and numbers will be forthcoming.

New Business: Parks Update was given. Year-to-date total registrations - \$37,898.81 and firewood sales are at \$3,931. Two old wooden outhouses at Clausen Springs have been removed. The cost of firewood is going up \$.30/bundle for 2017; the board agreed to leave the charge to the campers at \$5.00 per bundle for 2017. The board discussed how to handle Group Campsites next year, as well as possible changes to the reservation system. The computer class at VCSU is considering a project, updating the parks' reservation system. Reservations will be taken from April 9<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>; the rest of the year will be first come, first served. Phone recording and website will be updated to reflect the changes. The computer will be stored at the Courthouse, due to lack of heating at the park shop. Refunds should not be made to campers' credit cards; this should be handled through the County system, using a voucher to get a check cut and mailed out to the camper. Mike Metcalf moved to approve a membership in the North Dakota Recreation & Park Association at a cost of \$170 per year; John Froelich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PENDING/OTHER: Clausen Springs shelter drain tile \$4,380.39; Side by Side \$8,400; Pending playground spec and bids; Revising job descriptions.

John Froelich moved to adjourn; Mike Metcalf seconded the motion. Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned.

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Beth M Didier  
Barnes County Auditor

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Bobby Koeplin, Chairman  
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