

## **Big Prairie Township Parks Commission**

Tuesday June 15, 2021

**Meeting Called to Order:** 2 P.M.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:** Clark, Ruehmeier, Ryman, Tucker and VanDam present.

**Public Input:** Echo Bristol – Laura Bristol (Aunt) – Mr. Bristol presented his side of the incident that occurred on or about May 30, 2021. Showed photos of transients' camping gear on the Bristol lot. Denied using vulgar language and gestures towards any persons nor were children present at any time (that he could recall). Laura stated she was uncomfortable to stay on the lot by herself. Board to review and address Mr. Bristols' request to reinstate him as a seasonal. Per the last meeting, Mr. Bristol was banned from BPT Parks for three (3) years.

Also present for meeting was; Mike Long and Mike Martinez – no comments.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Tucker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruehmeier to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by VanDam, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tucker to approve the minutes from June 1, 2021 as written. Motion carried.

**Camp Host:** BB – Trailer Park – New Host – no report.

**Board Reports:** Chairman – states County Parks are overwhelmed with Gypsy Moth caterpillars as well.

Vice Chairman – a commercial grade fish cleaning sink would like to be donated to BPTPC in return for a One (1) year season pass. Board discussed and agreed to the donation for a one year pass one time.

Secretary – 0

Treasurer – Ross Accounting - work continues to produce a monthly budget that is real time.

**Treasurer Report:** May 28 – June 3, 2021 = \$29,707.47. June 4-10, 2021 = \$19,421.40. Total = \$49,128.87.

Motion by Ryman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tucker to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Present and Pay Bills:** Motion by VanDam, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruehmeier to pay the bills as follows: Gross Payroll week ending June 10, 2021 = \$23,458.62. Bills = \$16,679.01. Motion carried.

**Maintenance Report:** BB – Brine roads this week. Full hook sites – Lots are approx. 35x45, pedestal (13) estimate is \$37,620.00 from High Point Electric. Second estimate was requested but retracted.

The Point – bathhouse area – in need of stumps ground.

Greg continues for locate mover for the new cabin from Fremont to BB.

Oxbow – JD Builders – Office addition - 12x15 (two walls), concrete floor, 2 – 24x48 windows, French door, T-11 insulation, window trim and place rubber flooring in chicken coop area. \$14,500.00.

Outside of Oxbow Office – 12” Cedar Base and windows, \$2,850.00.

Board discussed and is moving forward with Oxbow Office project.

Both Parks – Exit gates – One each park will begin ground work and install in the fall. These are electric with battery backup. Manual open/lock if needed. 2.5 second delay to open. Remote. Two (2) \$3,300.00.

**Office Report:** Self-Parking envelopes have been ordered.

2022 Seasonal Lot lottery is set for Saturday September 25, 2021.

Tucker to place call to Loretta Workema – requested to speak to a board member before the 2022 Seasonal lottery.

Incident – police report obtained. Teresa to contact both parties to inform of next issue or violation they will be asked to leave.

Incident - #23 – Seasonal– no police report – Teresa to warn parties, next incident and they will be asked to leave.

Teresa and Greg to relabel lot maps of both parks as Riverfront, Riverview, Wooded or other before board considers annual increase of charges.

Community Dock Renter – after trying to tie boat to dock in different combinations the renter asked for prorated refund. Board approved prorated refund minus a \$25 admin fee.

Camp guest asked to be a vendor within the park. Per rules, not allowed and board agreed to remain firm.

Seasonal Guest – due to minimal lot change after 2021 lottery, guests have determined the site doesn't work for them after all. Board approved prorated refund minus a \$100.00 admin fee. Next guest on the wait list to be notified of the opening of said lot.

Oxbow launch will be closed MON – THUR next week 7a.m. – 4 p.m. due to Consumers use.

Ron Page – requested the removal of letter from file. Board agreed to leave letter in file.

**Old Business:** Increase of Lot price – Due to pending information regarding Hardy Dam construction project board is **considering** the following: Increase if water is **NOT** lowered for 2022 and no increase if water **IS** lowered for 2022 camping season.

**New Business:** Echo Bristol – after reviewing statements from other campers and incident reports from employees, it is in the best interest of our guests and employees that previous ban from using our parks for three (3) years stands. Board stands firm and Teresa to contact with decision.

**Miscellaneous:** Chairman – John Clark announced he is resigning from BPTPC effective immediately. Mr. Clark recommended Reuben Tucker to be nominated for the vacant position upon the next meeting. Mr. Clark was thanked for his time put into this board and bringing it to what it is today.

**Adjournment:** Motion by VanDam, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruehmeier to adjourn this meeting at 4:09 P.M. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting is Tuesday June 29, 2021 – 2 P.M. @ Big Prairie Township Hall.

Submitted for Approval

Colleen Ryman

Secretary

Approved June 29, 2021