

Booth Lake Memorial Park Minutes
Wednesday, September 27, 2023
Meeting held at the Village Hall - Room B
2015 Energy Drive, East Troy, WI

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kendall at 6:30 P.M. In attendance were Kim Buchanan & Chad Wales – Town of East Troy; Joe Wisniewski & (Chase Browne absent) – Village of East Troy; John Kendall & Jerry Arntson - Town of Troy. Also present was Shawn and Bonnie Merath.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from the August 16, 2023, meeting were presented. Vice Chairman Wales made a motion to approve the minutes. Treasurer Buchanan seconded, and motion passed.

Treasurer Buchanan presented the Treasurer's report for August 2023. Chairman Kendall made a motion to approve the August 2023 Treasurer's report, accounts payable checks 5685-5694 for expenses and payroll checks 4456-4503. Board Member Arntson seconded and the motion passed.

Caretaker Update: Bonnie and Shawn provided an update regarding the Park Operations. The weather has not cooperated so the Park has been slow. Music in the Park this Friday - promoting it on Facebook and other social media. Melanie will donate to help pay for the wash machine. Shawn: Had to replace the lights in the upper pavilion. Cheaper to install LED lights. No problems with the septic at the bathhouse. Pump out in the spring, pull 90% out. Cut the root outside, re-concrete, tar, to save the tank. Picking up acorns, lawn work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Policy on Airbnb/campgrounds: The Board discussed options to address non-residents attending the Park. It was suggested that the non-resident has to provide the rental agreement and the Park would charge double for the day pass. Bonnie to find out the list of Airbnb's at all 3 communities before the next Board meeting.

-Halloween party for the public: Bonnie presented a flier for the event. Saturday, October 21st, 12 to 6pm. Face painting, bags tournament, chili cookoff, games, food, located at the VFW Pavilion.

-The need to purchase a new leaf blower: Tabled for 2024

-Shawn presented two bids for a whole-house generator. One bid is from VP Plus for \$15,558 and the other bid is from Adams for \$13,889.19. Shawn recommends Adams for the best value (price + service).

NEW BUSINESS

-Possible swim event to increase revenue presented by John Ejnik. 2.5K, 5K and 10K, event would last until 2pm. Could be up to 1,000 swimmers as the event evolves. People will come

from all over, may need to stay the night, local brewer, local food and other services. Madison, Chicago, Green Bay, MKE. Booth Lake has really good water for the event. Ideal location, conditions are great, raise money for the Park, local HS could help. Memorial Day, weekend before. \$2K to \$5K benefit to the Park. Kendall stated we have to run it past the Booth Lake District. Official timing, awards TBD, COI is required. Looking to secure a site/venue. Need 15 to 20 lifeguards. Put on agenda for next month.

-Treasurer presented the 2024 proposed budget. Chairman Kendall made a motion to approve the 2024 budget with expected revenue of \$180,500 expected expenses of \$175,450. Board Member Arntson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Merath: Russ Keske's wife passed away. John will donate \$1,000 to the Park in memory of his wife.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chairman Kendall to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Wales seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Wisniewski - Secretary