Shelby County Park District

Board Meeting

Meeting 7/1/2025

Cara Kellersmith\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_ Noah Ganson \_\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_\_ Kyle Doak\_\_\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_\_

Others in attendance: Dee Monnin, Brian Monnin, Carol Hemmert

**Renner Sanctuary:**

Mowed and Maintained by Brian Monnin. Thank you, Brian!

**Hardin Park:** Park maintained mowed and maintained by Carol Hemmer. Thank you, Carol!

**Lockington Dam:** Park Maintained. Mowed and maintained by Carol Hemmert = thank you!

**Bornhorst Woods:** Mowed and maintained by Noah and Cara

**New Business:**

**Renner Sanctuary:**  Still waiting on the tree to be removed…waiting for the area to dry up so the trucks can get in.

**Bornhorst Woods**

* Cara is in the process of building a picnic table for Bornhorst.

Once the park dries up a little, Kaia Kellersmith will be installing her new trail sign for the cemetery.

The graveyard was cleaned up several weeks ago and two trees that had fallen were removed from path. There is still one tree left that was too large for the chainsaws we had with us. We will meet up there again soon to remove it from the path.

Jim Bornhorst informed us of curling on the leaves of the trees along the entrance of the park. The extension office sent someone up to look and the trees. They said the curling was due to overspray from the fields. She indicated that the conditions this past spring has made this a more common occurrence than normal. She noted that the secondary leaves emerging from the oaks all looked healthy, so she was hopeful the trees would pull through. Jim spoke with the local farmer about the issue. Thank you, Jim!

Cara will meet with Joe Bornhorst in mid-July about some ideas he has for the cemetery.

Jim Bornhorst would like to add more oaks to complete the canopy at Bornhorst. We spoke with an arborist to determine optimal distance between the trees for this type of canopy. It looks like we could plant between and still be within those parameters. Discuss.

**Lockington Dam:** A large limb fell at Lockington. Alex Kellersmith and Cara went down and used a chainsaw to cut it into pieces and remove it.

Carol have been mowing the park. Thank you for all you do to help our community!

HARDIN PARK: We had a huge tree split and fall with the last storm that went through. Brian Monnin removed a large portion of the fallen tree. There was a huge split that we worried about falling on a neighboring house. Bruce Metz with the Shelby County Commissioners worked with us to remove the tree using a tree service. Huge thank you to both Brian and Bruce for your quick response and work removing the tree.

**Other Business**

Brian and Noah are met at the Dam to service the lawn mower. Thank you!

Farmer’s Merchant Bank and FOP account…new fee will be applied if we do not change the type of account. Carol is going to find out more information. Any new information?

Rent – needs deposited. Kyle will deposit the rent check.

Mailbox needs renewed. Dee Monnin said she would go pay it. Cara moves to reimburse Dee Monnin for the cost of renewing our PO box for the year. Kyle seconds the motion. Dee will provide a receipt to be submitted.

**Any other business? Carol spoke about getting electricity into the barn and we went in and made notes of where we would like to place outlets and lights.**

**Next meeting: Tuesday, July 29th 6:30 pm at Culvers in Sidney**