Shelby County Park District

Board Meeting

Meeting 5/28/2024

Cara Kellersmith\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_\_ Noah Ganson\_\_\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

**Renner Sanctuary:** Park maintained.

**Bornhorst Woods:** Park has been maintained.

**Hardin Park:** Park maintained. Carol, Cara, Alex Kellersmith, Kaia Kellersmith, Holly Heitman, and Blake Heitman met up at the park and weeded and mulched the park for the season. Thank you tof our volunteers!

**Lockington Dam:** Park Maintained.

**New Business:**

Commissioner Jessie McCoy has resigned from his role as Park Commission. Thank you, Jessie, for all you’ve done over the years to help our parks. Jessie served as a ‘Friend of the Parks’ prior to signing on as a Park Commissioner, He has helped the park system make great strides in bringing The Renner Sanctuary to fruition as a park. Jessie also spent a lot of time up at Bornhorst Woods making it a nice park for the public to explore. Thank you for your years of hard work, Jessie.

**Renner Sanctuary:**

Walk out and look for where we would like Kaia Kellersmith to put the natural playground for her Eagle Scout project.

* Need to coordinate a time to meet out and clear the area for the natural playground. We need to do that prior to the scouts coming out to work.
  + Jessie and Noah marked trees
  + Brian, Dee, Cara, and Kaia will be working on removing underbrush for Natural Playground area
* Tony Bornhorst had the county engineer look at the pond. It is leaking around the pipe and he will keep us updated on possible solutions for a fix.

**Bornhorst Woods**

Need to discuss a maintenance plan.

* Noah is going to take over the maintenance of the park. Cara and Noah will go up and assess any work that needs to be completed at Bornhorst

**Lockington Dam:** Any updates or needs?

* Need to spray the concrete picnic area
  + Cara will do this
* Need to remove the dirt and debris that has accumulated in parking lot
  + Carol and Cara will do this on Saturday

**Hardin Park: Any updates or needs?**

* Beds were weeded and mulched.
* Wood bees are becoming an issue.
  + More bee traps?

**Other Business**

Vera Kelly has decided to work on her Eagle Project at her church instead of the parks.

Approvals:

Carol to purchase wood for benches and picnic table

Old…need to collect the receipt from Carol: Cara moves to approve the purchase and subsequent reimbursement to the ‘Friends of the Park’ for the purchase of mulch not to exceed $150 from Roe for Hardin Park. Jessie seconds the motion.

* Noah and Cara will run it in to treasurer’s office this week.

Need to figure out how to get more people on the FOP to help maintain the parks….any ideas?

-school groups – Houston Environmental…Houston FFA

- Facebook and social media posts

- Dee will work to get more pictures and info out to the public.

Next Meeting: June 25th at 6:30 p.m. at the Renner Sanctuary