Shelby County park District

Board Meeting

Meeting 2/23/2021

Cara Kellersmith\_\_\_\_\_\_x\_\_\_\_\_ Jessie McCoy\_\_\_\_x\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jacqui Cisco \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

Old Business:

* Tax bills were paid for the year.
* CAUV evaluation was submitted.
* Lockington Dam:
  + Lease: Submitted a letter of written intent to Roxanne Farrier through e-mail. We discussed wanting to continue our lease on the lower portion of the Dam, but no longer wanting to lease the top portion of the Lockington Dam. This letter was submitted prior to the February 1st date.
    - * + We looked at the covered area and decided best means of fixing the covered eating area and leaving it in good shape for our community was to put on a metal roof.
        + Noah said he is able to help us get the roofing material needed.

Jessie and Noah will arrange purchase of roofing materials.

Group agreed to meet on March 20th to fix roof.

Backup day is March 27th.

New Business:

Congratulations to Jessie McCoy on his swearing in and another 3 years of leadership as a Shelby County Park Commissioner! We appreciate you, Jessie, and all you do to help your community!

Hardin Park:

* What are the main needs for Hardin Park for 2021?
  + Houston Environmental Club – wants to know we need help with.
    - Carol suggested repairing the corner of the building that was damaged and re-staining the shelter house.
    - We also need to repair and put up new information in Hardin Park’s display board.

Lockington Dam:

* Need to have covered picnic area completed by the end of March, as it will be inspected in April.
* Need to determine a weekend when we can meet and put roof on

Repairs will occur March 20th, weather permitting.

Renner Sanctuary:

* + Alex Kellersmith spoke to us at the last meeting about his Eagle Scout Project and wanted to know how he could help the Shelby County Park District. We decided a barn would best serve our current needs. Alex met with Dee Monnin to go over some ideas for barn designs, which he shared with the group tonight.
    - Alex showed us the design for 18 ‘ X 24’ barn that has an 8’ covered overhang along one side.
      * We discussed building permit – Carol is checking on township’s permit process.
      * We discussed if we wanted to use gravel or concrete for base.
        + We will look at cost difference and make a decision in the future.
  + Bornhorst Woods:
    - There was a $500 donation that will be used to better Bornhorst Woods – thank you for the kind donation!
      * Ideas of where it can be used: A new display board, a plaque to go with the trees, benches along the trail.

Other Business:

Houston Environmental Club and the Houston FFA would like to volunteer to help clean up our parks this spring. The Houston FFA won a grant to help with construction of things like picnic tables etc. They are currently waiting to see if the price of lumber decreases so they can do more with the grant money. We need to discuss when would be a good time for the workday. School is out in May, so late April or early May? Thoughts:

* Everyone agreed that later in the spring would be better. We will talk it over with advisors and determine a date that works best for the student groups.

We discussed the purchase of both a small and a large chainsaw to replace those taken in the burglary at the Dam.

Jessie will get estimates for a 16” and a 20” chainsaws to replace those taken during the break in.

* + We will move to approve the purchase at the next meeting.

Cara moves to approve the reimbursement of the roofing material and hardware needed to fix covered eating area at Dam ($487.00) to Noah upon purchase. Jessie seconds the motion.

**Next Meeting: March 30th at 6:30 p.m. at the Lockington Dam Barn**