Anderson Island Park & Recreation District

Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting of January 15, 2025

Commissioners Present: Rick Anderson, Elizabeth Emerick, John Larsen Lane Sample and Belen Schneider. Guests: Michelle Ames, Dale Goodin and Co Goodin. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM at the Anderson Island Library by Chair Belen Schneider. The minutes of December 18, 2024, were reviewed and it was moved by Lane and seconded by Elizabeth to approve them as corrected. Motion was unanimously approved. The Financial Officer's report for December, 2024, was not available.

Park Reports: Dale reported ongoing cleanup of downed trees and storm damage in several parks.

Wide Awake Hollow and Tom White Park: Lightbulbs were changed and moss killer was applied to the roof of the Old Schoolhouse. Building may need a new roof.

Montalvo Park and Cammon Park: No report.

Andy's Wildlife Park: No further report.

Idie Ulsh Park: No further report.

Lowell Johnson Park and Tom's Park: No further report.

Jacobs Point: No report. St. Anne's Park: No report.

Andrew Anderson Marine Park: No further report.

Johnson's Landing: Bollards will be installed in the next few weeks.

Guthrie Center: No further report.

Old Business

- Cheryl Babo

Lane presented an Action Plan for Youth Sailing eligibility. Island residents will have first priority. Kurt Sample is taking the lead on this program. Registration fees will be nominal, \$40-\$100. Partial to full scholarships will be available. A 9HP electric motor is needed. Track Upgrade project contractor representative Reed McNeil visited the island. The project will take 6-8 weeks this summer. The storage compound at the back of the Guthrie property will require a slab and a retaining wall, planned for installation this coming spring. Doug Emerick is still working on locating the drain field. Elizabeth noted that we lose the deposit on our permit in early February. The energy consultant will visit Saturday, January 18.

New Business

Michelle Ames presented the Anderson Island Fitness Center's long-range plans for the Guthrie Center. Plans include a community space for exercise and classes focusing on adult learning, such as pilates, yoga and zumba. A budget is in the works for additional costs and improvements. They are looking into the availability of grants. The board asked her for a Letter of Intent and their ideas for the structure of the lease. Given the time necessary to get permits and accomplish the refurbishing of the space, a time-line of sometime in mid-2026 is foreseen. AIFC would like to work with Elizabeth regarding the scope of improvements. A suggestion from Sara Mossman to have swimming lessons was considered with the tentative conclusion that it will have to be coordinated and managed by volunteers. Rick will consult with Eric Quinn regarding a possible land swap involving the Park Board and the Cemetery Association.

At 8:00 PM it was moved by Belen and seconded by Rick to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.