

**SCOTT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING
WEST LAKE PARK – HEADQUARTERS**



August 8, 2007

Board members present:

Rich Mohr
Skip O'Donnell
Gene Weis
Beth McAleer

Board members absent:

Carol Fennelly

Others present:

Roger A. Kean, Director
Marc Miller, Deputy Director
Barb Harden, Administrative Assistant
Dave Ong, Scott County Park Manager
Deidra Baker, Quad City Times
Jerry Jackson, QC All Breed Horse Assn.
Penny Roberts, QC All Breed Horse Assn.

MINUTES: The minutes of July 11, 2007 were reviewed for additions and/or corrections.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the minutes from the July meeting, seconded by Mr. Weis, all in favor and passed.

BILLS:

MOTION: A motion was made by Ms. McAleer to approve the bills from July as presented, seconded by Mr. Weis, all in favor and passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jerry Jackson and Penny Roberts representing the Quad City All Breed Horse Association asked the Board if trails at Scott County Park could be extended and improved for use by them and their horses. The Board stated that the trails at Scott County Park are not exclusive to any group and asked that their group put together a proposal of what they are requesting and present it at a future Board meeting. It was explained to the equestrian group that they will need to meet with other groups using the trails along with Scott County park management staff to come up with a plan for their usage of the trails.

BUSINESS:

Scheduling Joint Meeting with the Scott County Board of Supervisors

The date of November 14th was agreed upon.

2007 Scott County Park controlled Deer Hunt:

Marc reviewed the application and rules and regulations explaining that they were the same as last year except that the location to purchase the special deer license changed from B & B to Gander Mountain.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the 2007 Application and Rules and Regulations, seconded by Ms. McAleer, all in favor and passed.

Press Release on Closings of Pool, Beach and Paddle Boats for the Season:

This was an information item to let the Board know the timetable. The dates are determined by school openings and our ability to staff the areas. After the pool closing prep work will begin for the water slide.

Request from Kittan District of Illowa Council Boy Scouts to use West Lake Park:

This will be for their Cub Scout Fishing Derby on September 22, 2007. The Cub Scouts had this event last year also and did not cause the Park any problems.

MOTION: A motion was made by Mr. Weis to approve the use of West Lake Park for the Cub Scout's Fishing Derby on the date requested, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, all in favor and passed.

Request from Kittan District of Illowa Council Boy Scouts to use Scott County Park for their Cub Scout Day Camp:

This is their annual Cub Scout Day Camp which will be held Monday, June 23rd through Friday, June 27, 2008. This is a well-run program by the Scouts with sufficient adult supervision.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ms. McAleer to approve the use of Scott County Park for the Cub Scout Day Camp on the dates requested, seconded by Mr. Weis, all in favor and passed.

Request from Friends of Off Road Cycling for trail system improvements at Scott County Park:

This group presented information along with maps detailing the trails they would like to develop. The group has been meeting with Scott County Park Manager, Dave Ong and Deputy Director, Marc Miller regarding the enhancements they are proposing. The group understands that park trails cannot be used exclusively by their group and that they would need to work together with other groups who use the trails. Based on the information they presented and the willingness of the group to help maintain, develop and patrol the trails, it was recommended by the Scott County Park staff to approve the trail improvements.

MOTION: A motion was made by Ms. McAleer to approve the trail system improvements proposed by the Friends of Off Road Cycling with the understanding that they work closely with the Scott County park staff in developing the trails, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, all in favor and passed.

Golf Report:

The regular golf reports were in the Board's folders for their review.

Tour of Wapsi Center Residence:

After the business meeting, the Board went to the Wapsi Center to see the new home for the resident caretaker, Mark Cox. It is almost ready for occupancy and everyone was impressed with how nice it turned out and how it will serve our needs for many years.

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at the Scott County Conservation Board Office.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: A motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Weis, seconded by Ms. McAleer, all in favor and passed.

Chairman

Secretary/Treasurer