



## **Minutes of the Board Meeting**

**Monday, September 11, 2017, 5:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Voting Members Present:** Daryl Cheeseman, Doris Lee Hale, Jim Halliwill, John Higgins, John Resseguie, Bob Spaulding & Sharon Zebrowski

**Absent:** Rick Moore, Heather Wing & Russ Yarger

**Others Present:** None

**Staff Present:** Dan Patton & Stacey Graham

**Approval of Agenda:** Resseguie moved to approve the Board agenda for September 11, 2017, and Higgins seconded. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Resseguie motioned to approve the minutes of August 14, 2017 and Higgins seconded. Motion carried.

**Limited Public Comment:** None

**Park Financial Report:** Graham presented the monthly financial report. Higgins motioned to accept the August, 2017 Park Expenditure and Revenue report and Resseguie seconded. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports & Updates:**

Park Update: Patton reported that Youth Outdoor Day had record crowds of well over 1,000 on 9/9. 780 children were registered. 50 people attended the Volunteer Dinner on September 5. Patton participated in the Commission on Aging Picnic in August. The Park loaned 6 picnic tables to the Patriot Day celebration in Hastings on 9/10. He also attended the BIE luncheon recently. He noted that committee meeting materials are now being included via email in the board packet.

Education & Collections Committee: Hale reported Committee met August 16 to discuss attendance of 128 children at the Park over the summer, from the YMCA Adventures Camp. The Park's education programs are now registered on the Barry County United Way website to possibly gain additional

volunteers. Barry County Artist's Exhibition registration ends 9/15. Committee also discussed acquisitions and denials to the collection. The deaccessions process was explained to Committee and items to be removed from the Park's collection were considered. Discussion on the Indian Landing Mission Site took place.

Facilities & Properties Committee: Cheeseman reported Committee met August 22 to discuss relocation of Park dumpsters to the new maintenance shop. Discussion also took place regarding general electricity needs at the Park, and electric needed to power Park campsites. An engineering study RFP may be sought. Solar power options will also be considered and are being investigated by Yarger. Discussion on a Park Campground occurred.

Executive Committee: Zebrowki reported the Committee met September 6 to discuss the equine activity application for Park shows. It is currently being reviewed by Lloyd Kilmer, Former Park Board Chair. Capital projects, sponsorship and fundraising were also discussed. A copy of the Park Director Board Description was distributed and reviewed with the Board. Advocacy within the community for the Park Director was encouraged. The Board commended Patton for his performance.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Limited Public Comment:** None

**Board Member Comments:** Hale praised the Park and Barry Conservation District for the recent positive outcomes on Outdoor Youth Day. Resseque noted that he heard in the community that inebriated Gas and Steam Club Members were operating equipment during the 46th annual Gas & Steam Engine Show July 7-8. That rumor was refuted by Park and Club staff. Beer and Wine permits have been available for purchase at private and Park events for several decades. Discussion on the Park smoking policy occurred.

Spaulding made the motion to adjourn, Halliwill seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, October 9, 2017 at the Upjohn House at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Patton

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