

*Chickasaw County Conservation Board*  
*TWIN PONDS NATURE CENTER*

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The Chickasaw County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on October 3, 2022 at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Members present: Jim Allison, Ray Armbrecht, Lori Carey, JoAnne Myrsiades, Mike Pickar and Director Chad Humpal. Employees present: Caleb Ciavarelli, Justin Van Driel, Matt Crayne. Guests: None.

Armbrecht called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Agenda:** Armbrecht asked for approval of the agenda.

**Motion:** Pickar/Allison

To approve the agenda. (Carried unanimously)

**Minutes:** Armbrecht asked for approval of the minutes of the September 7, 2022 Board meeting.

**Motion:** Carey/Myrsiades

To approve the minutes of the September 7, 2022, Board meeting as presented. (Carried unanimously)

**Claims:** Claims for \$4,906.67 to be paid and claims in the amount of \$2,318.49 that were invoiced on September 16, 2022 were presented for review.

**Motion:** Allison/Carey

To approve claims for the amount of \$4,906.67 and \$2,318.49. (Carried unanimously)

**Koenigsfeld Property**

Humpal gave an update on how the local funding was coming and that the plan is still to submit for the November Habitat Stamp Grant. Board is wonders if we need to put up no hunting signs for this upcoming hunting season. Humpal to contact INHF and see what they want to do.

**Stump Grinder**

Discussion on the purchase of a stump grinder for the track loader. Staff is going to look into it more over the winter.

**Board Member Term Expiration**

Lori Carey's term is up and she would like to be reappointed. She is going to fill out the paperwork for another 5-year term.

**Fall Conference**

Carey and Myrsiades had a couple comments and thought it was another enjoyable conference.

**Airport Lake Campground Development**

Open Quotes for Sewer lines and camping pads

**Sewer Quotes received from:**

Mick Gage Plumbing and Heating:

Campsites #20 - #31 \$13,824.00

Campsites #9 - #19 \$8,000.00

**Total \$21,824.00**

Mic's Plumbing and Heating:

Campsites #20 - #31 \$12,408.86

Campsites #9 - #19 \$9,668.61

**Total \$22,077.47**

**Motion:** Allison/Carey

To accept the quote of Mick Gage Plumbing and Heating for \$21,824.00 to install both sewer lines at Airport Lake Campground. (Carried unanimously)

**Camping Pads Quotes received from:**

L&C Builders: \$1,596.00 per Pad

Jerry Tank Masonry: \$1,920.00 per Pad

Babcock Services: \$2,040.00 per Pad

Darren Steinlage Construction: \$2,200.00 per Pad

Brummond Construction: \$2,640.00 per Pad

**Motion:** Myrsiades/Allison

To accept the quote form Jerry Tank Masonry for \$1,920.00 per pad to install 18 pads for a total of \$ 34,560.00 at Airport Lake Campground. (Carried unanimously)

**DISCUSS CONTINUING PROJECTS AND DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

**TPNC Basement Repairs**

Nothing New at this Time

**Haus Park Vortex Weir**

I have not done anything additional since last meeting.

Roof on Pump House at Split Rock

New roof has been installed.

Steel Building at the Heritage residence

Nothing new

Camera System for Twin Ponds Nature Center, Airport Lake and Split Rock Park

They have started installation at TPNC. They are waiting on the rest of the cameras to come in to finish the project.

Discuss Future agenda Items

No future agenda items were discussed

Crayne Report

Hunter Ed; fed animals and birds; cleaned TPNC; SF 5<sup>th</sup> grade program; cleaned animal tanks; office; program prep; Nashua 1<sup>st</sup> graders; checked water TP; NP 3<sup>rd</sup> graders monarchs; cleaned guns; homes programs and prep; NH 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip; camping money; district 2 meeting; worked on fishing poles; cleaned bee display; radio interview.

Ciavarelli Report

Mowed parks & wildlife areas; dumped trash; Removed tree-boat ramp; Fall Conference; weekend duty; Hunter Ed; fixed tire on mower; district 2 meeting; checked water AL; cleaned fire rings; roadside seed grant; new roof on pump house SR.

VanDriel Report

Mowed Parks; checked water; dumped trash; Removed tree-boat ramp; Fall Conference; weekend duty; mowed firebreaks; 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip; district 2 meeting; spray brush; cleaned fire rings; new roof on pump house SR.

Meetings this month

Humpal - Wapsi River samples October 17, 2022

- E-Commerce Summit in Hamilton County October 26,2022

Crayne and Humpal – Electric Vehicle event in Calmar October 13, 2022

VanDriel - New Employees workshop in Hamilton County October 25, 2022

**Adjournment:** Armbrecht asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:** Carey/Myrsiades

To adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. (Carried unanimously)

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*Mission Statement: The Mission of Chickasaw County Conservation is to enhance, promote, protect, preserve and reclaim Chickasaw County natural resources for the benefit, enjoyment & education of all Chickasaw County residents and visitors.*