

Chickasaw County Conservation Board TWIN PONDS NATURE CENTER

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The Chickasaw County Conservation Board held its regular monthly meeting on May 6, 2024, at the Twin Ponds Nature Center. Members present: Ray Armbrecht, Jim Allison, Lori Carey, JoAnne Myrsiades, Mike Pickar and Director Chad Humpal. Employees present: Matt Crayne, Justin VanDriel, Caleb Ciavarelli. Guests: None

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

Agenda: Armbrecht asked for approval of the May 6, 2024 agenda.

Motion: Carey/ Myrsiades

To approve the May 6, 2024 agenda. (Carried unanimously)

Minutes: Armbrecht asked for approval of the minutes of the April 1, 2024, Board meeting.

Motion: Allison/Pickar

To approve the minutes of the April 1, 2024, Board meeting as presented. (Carried unanimously)

Claims: Claims for \$13,177.86 to be paid and claims in the amount of \$1,950.89 that were invoiced on April 12, 2024 were presented for review.

Motion: Pickar/Myrsiades

To approve claims for the amount of \$13,177.86 and \$1,950.89. (Carried unanimously)

Fiscal Year 2024 Budget & Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Proposal

Looked at FY24 remaining budget and discussions on FY25 budget.

Approve Conservation Aide Summer Hire

I have hired Tom Britt for the summer of 2024.

Motion: Pickar/Allison

To approve the hire of Tom Britt as Conservation Aide for the summer of 2024. To work from April 29, 2024, to September 13, 2024, at a wage of \$15.00/hour. (Carried unanimously)

Discuss and approve replacement doors @ Airport Lake shower house

Motion: Carey/ Myrsiades

To accept the quote of Babcock Services for \$8,950.00 to install 3 steel doors with new hardware and door closers at Airport Lake Campground. (Carried unanimously)

TPNC Pavilion/shelter

Open bids for concrete pad and approve purchase.

Quotes:

Jerry Tank Masonry: \$18,424.00

Babcock Services: \$19,585.00

L& C Builders: \$18,975.00

Motion: Carey/ Allison

To accept the quote of **Jerry Tank Masonry** for **\$18,424.00** to install a 38’x 46’ concrete pad at Twin Ponds Nature Center. (Carried unanimously)

DISCUSS CONTINUING PROJECTS AND DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Discuss Future agenda Items

No Comments

Crayne Report

Cleaned TPNC; feed animals and filled feeders; archery in NP; scheduled programs; wrote homes program; hosted hunter Ed refresher; burned Saude and HH; NP 3rd grade program; worked on ATLATL darts; NHMS PDL class; worked with Karl Fliris to open NC Sunday; worked on tanks for display; Fishing at Garnant NH; Kayaking at NH MS; helped with ne bees; 4th grade tree program for all of Chickasaw County.

Ciavarelli Report

Flagged tree plantings; put dock in at HW; quotes on forestry mulcher; cleaned and attached handle to septic filter; fixed fence Saude; put tree planter on; put burn units in gators; burned wildlife areas; started water systems at campgrounds; checked all electrical at campgrounds; planted 2 tree plantings and replaced dead trees at LWWA; hunter ed refresher; turned on water at campgrounds; picked up sticks and dumped trash at parks; mowed parks; planted food plot.

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Meetings this month

Chad - TIF – May 8, 2024
- Wapsi water samples May 6 and 20, 2024

Adjournment: Armbrecht asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Pickar/Carey
To adjourn the meeting at 7:07 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.