

Seneca County Park District Board of Park Commissioners

September 13, 2022 – 2:30PM

Fruth Wetland Nature Preserve, 10130 W SR 18, Fostoria, OH

(Followed by a tour of Fruth Wetland Nature Preserve)

Meeting Minutes

Lee Martin called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM.

Roll Call:	Jakob Boehler	<u>present</u>	Sarah Betts	<u>present</u>
	Lori Hall	<u>present</u>	Shelly Smola	<u>present</u>
	Lee Martin	<u>present</u>		
	Jacob Price	<u>absent</u>		
	Janet Shutt	<u>present</u>		

Staff & Guests: Linda Rose, Catherine Gase

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Janet Shutt to approve the meeting agenda & the minutes of the 8/9/22 regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Jakob Boehler, and was approved unanimously by roll call vote of members present.

Financial Reports: A motion to approve the financial statements was made by Lori Hall and seconded by Jakob Boehler. Motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote of members present.

Executive Director's Report presented by Sarah Betts (see attachment for full report).

- Sarah handed out her written report at the meeting.
- Around 200 people attended the grand opening of Opportunity Park.
- The Abbotts Bridge River Access at Steyer Nature Preserve is nearing completion, and a slide show was available at the meeting for viewing the site progress.
- The construction of the four bay garage at Fruth Wetland Nature Preserve has been delayed until the beginning of October.

Programs Report presented by Linda Rose

- Park programs continue to go well.
- 147 kids participated in 2022 summer camps, coming from 15 towns and 5 counties.
- The OCVN program has begun and has 5 participants.
- October through January programs have been finalized and the program guide has been published.
- Several special events are planned for fall/winter, including participation in Hoot in the Park, the Tiffin Seneca Heritage Festival and the Tiffin Holiday Parade.

Operations & Natural Resources Report (see attachment for full report).

- There were no additions to the written report.

Public Comment: Catherine Gase reported that the Friends organization continues to receive donations through charitable programs through retailers such as Kroger and Amazon. The Friends will be paying for any unsold Storybook Trail stations and Sarah confirmed the number would be finalized this week.

Unfinished Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

