

Seneca County Park District Board of Park Commissioners

July 16, 2021 – 9AM
Fruth Wetland Nature Preserve

Meeting Minutes

Lori Hall called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

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

Old Business:

Staff Appreciation Bonus: Lori Hall brought up the discussion of awarding staff with an appreciation bonus as other agencies and business have done. This matter had been discussed previously in executive session at the regular meeting held on July 13, but needed further information gathered before the Board could take action, but there was urgency to take action quickly to include with the upcoming payroll deadline.

The COVID-19 pandemic created many challenges for everyone, including the management and operations of the parks. She felt the dedication and commitment of park staff to maintain operational services for the public deserved recognition and listed suggested increments for each person as follows:

Sarah Betts	\$2,000
Angie Ford	\$1,000
Troy Gibson	\$2,000
Gary McClure	\$1,000
Linda Rose	\$2,000
Shelly Smola	\$1,000
Tammy Vargo	\$1,000

The other Board members concurred and expressed their appreciation to all park staff. Funding will come out of the regular park budget, as some discretionary funding was approved in the 2021 Budget that the Board passed in November 2020.

A motion was made by Lee Martin to proceed with bonus distribution immediately, seconded by Jakob. A roll call vote was taken, and approved unanimously.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Bill McAllister, seconded by Janet Shutt, and was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 AM.

Next Meeting:

Aug 10 2:30 PM Fruth Wetland Nature Preserve

Respectfully Submitted by: Sarah Betts, acting secretary