

The regular meeting of the Calhoun County Parks Trustees Board was held on Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 6:04 p.m. in their office located at 13300 Fifteen Mile Road, Marshall, Michigan.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Eric Tobin, Chairman  
Commissioner Christopher Vreeland, Vice Chairman  
Commissioner Scott Brown, Member  
Commissioner Hugh Coward, Member  
Commissioner Charles Monaweck, Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kevin Henning, Managing Director  
Mary Jo Crumpton, Deputy Board Clerk  
General Public

Mrs. Crumpton, Deputy Board Clerk, called the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Parks Trustees Board to order at 6:04 p.m. for the 2010 selection of officers.

**Motion made by Commissioner Brown and supported by Commissioner Coward to nominate Commissioner Eric Tobin as Board Chairman for 2010. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Brown and supported by Commissioner Tobin to nominate Commissioner Christopher Vreeland as Board Vice Chairman for 2010. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

At this time, Mrs. Crumpton turned the meeting over to Chairman Tobin.

**Motion made by Commissioner Brown and supported by Commissioner Vreeland to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 2, 2009. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

#### **PRESENTATION BY WENDY GRAVES, SILVER LEAF RENAISSANCE FAIRE**

Wendy Graves, Silver Leaf Renaissance Faire, stated that this is the fifth year of the event in Emmett Township of Calhoun County, having moved from Kalamazoo County. SLRF plans to get more invested in the community and is promoting volunteerism at Kimball Pines Park. Ms. Graves added that SLRF has a non-profit side and one of their top priorities is to provide grants for Humanities students.

Currently, SLRF is working onsite at Kimball Pines to eliminate the poison ivy and improve the drainage.

Commissioner Tobin asked if the 2010 event dates were available. Ms. Graves replied that the event is held on weekends only beginning July 10<sup>th</sup> and running through August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Vreeland inquired about the jousting troupe. Ms. Graves replied that the international jousting troupe will be competing at the faire this year. Discussion continued.

Ms. Graves asked about the Special Use permit and submittal deadline. Mr. Henning replied that the permit should be submitted for inclusion on the May meeting agenda. The Board would also appreciate an update on the event at this meeting.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mrs. Crumpton read the communications as follows:

- a) Received the 2010 Parks Trustees Board Meeting Schedule

**MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Henning requested approval of the 2010 Parks Trustees Board Meeting Schedule.

**Motion made by Commissioner Vreeland and supported by Commissioner Coward to approve the 2010 Parks Trustees Board Meeting Schedule. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

Mr. Henning reported that he confirmed with the County Administrator that Parks is a contingency item on the County's budget and is funded at \$19,350. In 2009, \$11,270 was budgeted as a separate line item. Currently, the parks are closed, but the gates remain open.

Commissioner Brown asked if the cost of the audit is included in the \$19,350. Mr. Henning replied that Parks is budgeted at \$19,350 total and CCRC invoices the County monthly.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting of the Calhoun County Parks Trustees Board is scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., or following the 5:30 p.m. regular meeting of the Board of Calhoun County Road Commissioners.

There being no additional business before the Parks Trustees Board, Chairman Tobin adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Mary Jo Crumpton, Deputy Board Clerk

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Eric J. Tobin, Chairman