

Morgan County Parks & Recreation Board (MCPRB)

Meeting Minutes: 01/19/2022

Appointed Members: (Term Expiration) P -Present / A – Absent

County Commission:

Joel Tuttle (Annual) P

Any Omps (April 2023?) A

Jason Didawick (01/01/2024) P

Board of Education:

Aaron Close (Annual) P

Open

Ryan Fincham (01/30/2022) P

Town of Bath:

Spencer Shives (06/30/2023) A

Joe Anderton (06/30/2021) P

Melissa Bartley (06/30/2022) P

The meeting was called to order by President Joel Tuttle at 7:04pm.

Aaron Close requested to add an agenda item:

The potential clearing of the 16-acre lot next to the baseball complex. Motion was made by Aaron Close and seconded by Jason Didawick.

Review / Approve Minutes – 08/18/2021 and 10/20/2021

The minutes were presented, reviewed, and approved. The motion was made by Aaron Close, and Joe Anderton seconded the motion.

Review / Approve Financials

The financials were presented, reviewed, and approved. (Moved Jason Didawick, Seconded – Joe Anderton)

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Biser Street Update:

The quote for the tree trimming (Mike Merchant) came back for \$3,000. A motion was made by Ryan Fincham and seconded by Jason Didawick to authorize and approve the payment.

GHS quoted \$3,000 to dig out ditch and place block walls up (24'). A motion was made by Aaron Close and was seconded by Joel Tuttle.

Aaron Close shared the possible option of adding a pump track to the Biser Street Park. He shared several examples and photos from one installed at Canaan Valley Resort. The county Commission will follow up to see what help will be provided by the company that removed the previous skate park. The board will then vote on next steps in the March Meeting.

Tennis Courts:

It was discussed having a porta-pot placed at the courts from June-November. A motion was made by Jason Didawick and seconded by Joe Anderton.

North Berkeley Park:

There was no clear update on the camera installation. The school board is currently working with the town and we can re-visit at our next meeting.

Biddy Buddy Update:

Dawn was asked by a concerned coach around the policy of coaches transporting children. It was recommended the coach advise parents they were not expected to transport players. Any further parent concerns can be addressed by our board.

Covid Exposure – changes in school guidelines. The school will no longer do contact tracing. Coaches are asked to remind parents that if their child is sick to keep them at home. If the parent states they are able to attend school we will take their word for it and allow the child to participate.

Little League:

The board discussed turning on the power on 02/28/2022. It was recommended to place a porta-pot at the fields for March and then open the main restrooms in April. This could prevent frozen pipes, etc. The main bathrooms and ball field lights will be turned on in April.

Parking lot- Melissa Bartley shared the little leagues concerns with the neighboring business (Mountaineer Auctions) using the field lots for overflow parking. President Joel Tuttle agreed to ask them not to use the ball field lots during the open baseball seasons.

Other Items:

Men's softball will start on 04/09/2022.

16 Acre Lot

Miller's pulpwood agreed to clear cut this lot for the wood. The board agreed to take no further action at this time.

Wizard's Game – Monday 03/14/2022

- 4H will run concessions

- Tennis will sell shirts / souvenirs
- Game will start at 7pm

Director's Update:

Dawn shared a flyer on the option of a mental health class.

President Joel Tuttle adjourned the meeting at 8:59pm.