

Meeting of May 16<sup>th</sup>

**Members Present:**

Larry Schmitt, Walt Silvernale, Zack Phillips, Carol Buller, Dorothy Zook

**Members Absent:**

Norman Alexander, Jerry Vetter, Pat Jackson, Derrick Richling, Jim Lasiter

**Rangers Present:**

Kass Miller

**Minutes:** April 18, 2011 minutes were approved after correction of John Waltner is County Administrator not a commissioner.

**Special Use Permits:**

It is not a special use permit but at Eastlake on Saturday, May 21, 2011 and Sunday, May 22, 2011 there will be a bow tournament for carp. It is free and there are two categories, single and teams of two. Prizes will be given for the longest fish, the heaviest fish and the total weight of fish caught.

**Park Staff Reports:** Kass Miller

**Camp Hawk:** They are cutting and cleaning hedge trees. The shelter is being used 18 days out of this month. They are mowing and are planting some trees that have been donated.

**East Park:** They have five more pads to pour along the lake and that is all they will be able to complete this year. The dam has been inspected and the overall report is good. They have some trees to get off the dam and some ruts and holes to be filled. There are trees that need to be trimmed along the nature trail. Rangers will be working four 10 hour days. It was discussed the possibility of putting a camp host at the lake. Other discussion was the thought of closing the bait shop next year. The staff could use it for an office and there is enough room in the back to use as a machine shop. Mondays are the clean-up day for trash and fire pits after the weekend.

**West Park:** Lloyd is on leave with a hurt shoulder. Shannon is holding everything together. The new roof and guttering is done. This was paid for by the monies received from the pipeline company coming across the park land. There are some volunteers that will be painting the bridge and gazebo. All parks are doing the usual mowing and clean-up for the summer

**Committee Reports:**

**Hunting, Boating & Fishing:** The crappie are biting at Eastlake and some people have been catching bass and catfish. Larry asked about shocking the lake and Kass will follow-up on that for the next meeting. A 40# flat head was caught in the lake at West Park and overall fishing has been good there.

**Facilities Roads & Grounds:** Camping has been good. A camping club camped at Eastlake and rented the Volunteer hall for 3 days. There will be a benefit volleyball tournament at Camp Hawk and they will use the shelter. Considering, putting in sand volleyball courts to the east of the road coming into Camp Hawk on the other side of the tree line across from the shelter.

**Land, Park Use & Resource Management:** Carol rode Eastlake trails and they were mowed well and easy to follow. We need to start trimming limbs back to help keep it open for riding. Maybe on our workday next month, June 18<sup>th</sup> at Eastlake we can work on that. Duck and goose season was a success. The only slow time for that was during the holidays. The other hunting season for quail and pheasant was not good at all. The idea of opening up for turkey season and not doing the quail and pheasant is being considered.

**Old Business:**

Dave Welfelt and Brad Guhr, who attended the last park board meeting, have not met with Kass and Lloyd with a written proposal for helping clean the Osage Trail. A job description has been established for the SRS volunteers and is ready for people to use. A vote was taken for Park Board officers for year 2011-2012. Walt made a motion that the slate of nominees be accepted as presented. Dorothy seconded and the vote was unanimous to accept.

Officers are:

Chairman: Larry Schmitt  
Vice Chairman: Jerry Vetter  
Secretary: Pat Jackson

**New Business:**

Complaints of lack of cell phone service at Eastlake. What else can be done to encourage a tower in that area? It was requested we get a new list of the park board members and their information.

~~Work day: on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting at the bait shop.~~ No Work Day!

**Next meeting:** will be June 20<sup>th</sup> at Eastlake, Volunteer Hall.

Dorothy moved we adjourn and it was seconded by Walt. Motion carried.