

**CASS COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
T.K. Lawless Park
Cassopolis, MI, MI 49031
February 13, 2020**

9:02 a.m. – CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Commissioner Claire

INVOCATION – Director Wyman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –

ROLL CALL –

Director Wyman – P	Annie File - P	
Thomas Atkinson – A	Hailey Harman – P	Lyndon Parrish - P
Bruce Campbell –A	David Kring - A	Robert Parrish - P
Kevin Claire - P	Fritz Kucklick - P	Jamie Stafne - P

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER: Lyndon Parrish

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner File
Second: Commissioner Kucklick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Motion: Commissioner Kucklick
Second: Commissioner File

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS –

County Administrator Carmen

PUBLIC COMMENT –

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

1. Dark Skies – after meeting

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Director Wyman

1. Was presented
2. Reconfigure hill – Cassopolis school had a great time
3. Jody is a great addition, goes above and beyond

BUDGET – Director Wyman

1. Was presented
2. In good shape; come up with capital purchases/plan
3. 5-year rec plan this year
4. Portable power washer

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Dark Skies Update, Commissioner Parrish
 - a. Bill 4740 / Rep. Miller has gone through as is. Up for the 2nd reading, must sit for 2 weeks and then a 3rd reading, sit for 5 days, vote, then goes to Senate. Two committees say it looks great.
 - b. Had lots of coverage – radio, TV, newspapers
 - c. IDA tracks all incoming traffic on website, our website generated more traffic than any other park.
 - d. Requesting permission for Facebook page for Dark Skies and having Commissioner Parrish as admin.
2. Star Party
 - a. Commissioner Parrish talked to the Astronomical Society about increased numbers, how to split gate, what about setting telescopes up on the games field.
 - i. Society does not care for the idea due to camping, pavilion rental.
 - b. Commissioner Stafne encouraged Newberg Township meeting due to large gatherings ordinance.

- c. Sky lights reader bought by FOP must be done quarterly, take turns doing this, 2 hours after sunset, clear sky is best.
 - d. Logo contest to run through March 11 and choose the winner at the next meeting.
2. Video Presentation - postponed

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Website says 2nd Tuesdays for meetings

Adjournment

Motion: Commissioner Kucklick

Second: Commissioner Parrish

Respectfully submitted,

Hailey Harman

Secretary

Next regular meeting March 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Please call 445-4456 if you cannot attend.