

**KINKAID-REED'S CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
CONSERVANCY COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2026**

The Conservancy Committee of the Kinkaid-Reed's Creek Conservancy District held its meeting on Wednesday, July 8th, 2026. Chairman Barone called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., at 1763 Water Plant Rd., Murphysboro, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:

Ken Carr	Present
David Ardrey	Absent
Michael Layne	Absent
Jay Ziegler	Present
Greg Legan	Present
Mike Barone	Present
Anthony Mileur	Present
JT Jenkins	Present

Also present: Carrie Likins and Bret Doerr.

Approval of Minutes for April 7, 2026: Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the minutes of May 7, 2026, Conservancy Committee meeting. Trustee Legan seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and Chairman Barone declared the motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

Deck/Shed Requests: None

Marina/Campground Update: Brett Doerr reported the 4th of July weekend went well and the fireworks display was very successful. Mr. Doerr reported that Tim is back at work and on light duty after missing about a month of work due to an illness. Mr. Doerr stated that Tim was able to return to work on the 4th of July and his return has helped tremendously. Mr. Doerr stated that he has received many requests for the boat shop to be open again, and marina staff have been cleaning out the boat shop in preparation for potential tenant use in the future. Mr. Doerr stated he has made a list of surplus items he would like to get rid of in the shop. Mr. Doerr stated that he has trimmed up the trees around the marina patio, which has increased the breeze off of the lake and opened up the view of the lake as well. Mr. Doerr stated that Blue Ridge Docks should be on-site next week to begin the dock repairs.

Pressure Washer: Manager Jenkins reported the committee members have a quote of a pressure washer at the cost of approximately \$1,000 for the marina in their packet from the Northern Tools website. Manager Jenkins stated that this is the exact same pressure washer that the water plant owns and will work well for the marina's needs. Manager Jenkins stated this pressure washer would be used on the docks, buildings, and other surfaces around the marina.

Trustee Legan asked whether Board approval is required for purchases above a certain amount, or whether budgeted items may be purchased as needed. Manager Jenkins stated that an item like the pressure washer could likely be purchased with the Manager's approval and would not require Board approval. Manager Jenkins stated that he had been asked to add the item to the agenda because it had been discussed and tabled a couple of years ago, though purchases costing several thousand dollars are typically brought to the Board for approval. Chairman Barone stated that the Board has a District Manager and Marina Manager with authority to approve these types of routine maintenance purchases. All committee members agreed. Trustee Ziegler made a motion to recommend the purchase of the pressure washer to the Board for approval. Trustee Carr seconded the motion. All members present

voted "Aye," and Chairman Mileur declared the motion carried.

New Business:

Surplus Items at the Marina: Brett Doerr stated the majority of the surplus items came from the marina building and were taken out and stored in the boat shop when Slips Hideaway was doing renovations to the building. Mr. Doerr stated many of these items are old restaurant equipment that does not work. Mr. Doerr stated there is also a large working walk-in refrigerator and an old pump truck that does not run. Mr. Doerr stated he has made a list of these surplus items for the Committee. Mr. Doerr stated that he is asking for permission to get rid of the surplus items. Chairman Barone stated the Committee would leave it to Manager Jenkins and Brett to dispose of these items by selling what they can and disposing of the items that cannot be sold.

Marina Truck: Manager Jenkins stated that the marina is currently using the old water plant Superintendent's truck. Manager Jenkins stated that last year a new transmission had to be put into the marina's truck costing a few thousand dollars and now the truck is not in operation again due to another problem. Manager Jenkins stated he does not see a reason to keep spending money on this truck. Manager Jenkins stated that one option would be to purchase a new vehicle for the District Manager, and that vehicle cost would be split between the District, Water Plant, and Marina funds. Manager Jenkins stated that the District and Water Plant did not budget for a new vehicle this year because it was not needed at the time. Manager Jenkins stated that the Marina has budgeted for a new truck for the past couple of years.

Manager Jenkins stated another option would be to purchase a used truck for the Marina since it is in their budget. Mr. Jenkins stated the Committee members have a picture of a used truck in their packets that he found today that is for sale at a dealership in Carmi for \$12,995. Manager Jenkins reported it is a 2010 Ford F150 with 59,000 miles on it and only one owner.

Chairman Barone stated that his suggestion is that the District Manager purchases a new vehicle and the current Manager's truck would go to the Marina. Chairman Barone stated that if the marina purchases that used truck in Carmi, it could have issues immediately and with the current Manager's truck we know what we have. Chairman Barone stated that he knows that Jackson County recently bought a Bronco at Vogler Ford for less than \$30,000. Manager Jenkins stated the budgets could be revised to include the purchase of a new truck under capital expenditures. The Committee members agreed to authorize Manager Jenkins to look into options for a new truck for the District Manager to bring back to the Board at the next meeting.

OTHER MATTERS TO DISCUSS: Trustee Carr asked Mr. Doerr how the campground and boat slip waiting list works at the Marina. Mr. Doerr explained the annual waiting list is compiled via email requests that start on November 8th each year, and the order of the list goes by the date and time stamp of the request. Mr. Doerr stated this list is only used for that particular year and starts over again each year on November 8th. Trustee Carr stated that painting parking spot lines in the marina parking lot would be beneficial. Mr. Doerr stated that on busy weekends the parking lot can get packed, and he agrees the designated parking lines would be a good idea. Mr. Doerr stated he would also like to expand the parking lot by Ed Bottom Campground as well and add designated parking spots. Mr. Doerr stated that parking lot gets crowded due to customers using the installed charging stations.

Chairman Barone states it would be a good idea for the marina staff to wear shirts with the Kinkaid logo and staff acknowledgement to improve visibility to customers. Mr. Doerr stated that is an item on his list of things to do and he will prioritize that. Chairman Barone stated he was camping at the marina over the holiday weekend and would like to compliment the marina staff. Chairman Barone stated that the area was well maintained and clean.

ADJOURNMENT: There being nothing further to discuss Trustee Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and Chairman Barone declared the motion carried.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C. Carr", is written above a horizontal line.

SECRETARY