

**KINKAID-REED'S CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Wednesday, August 14, 2024**

The Board of Trustees of the Kinkaid-Reed's Creek Conservancy District held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 14, 2024. President Barone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at 1763 Water Plant Rd., Murphysboro, Illinois.

ROLL CALL:	Lisa Byrd	Absent
	David Ardrey	Present
	Nate Westphal	Absent
	Jay Ziegler	Present
	Greg Legan	Present
	Tony Mileur	Present
	Mike Barone	Present

Also Present: Scott Wilmouth, Carrie Likins, JT Jenkins, Jim Pribble, Ed Heller, Gary Raines, Butch Cheatham, Lou Strack, Charlie Neace, Brian Pigg, Jeri Eicher, Margaret Anderson, and Tim Mitchell.

MINUTES: Approval of Board meeting minutes for July 10, 2024. Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes of July 10, 2024. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." President Barone declared the motion carried.

Public Comment: None

KINKAID-REED'S CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

OLD BUSINESS:

Conservancy Committee Report:

Fish Tournament Requests and Fish Tournament Regulations: None

Deck/Shed Requests: Trustee Mileur reported there was one shed request from the annual camper at site CA37 that meets the requirements of the shed policy. Trustee Mileur stated the Conservancy Committee met and recommends to the Board the approval of the shed request from CA37. Trustee Ziegler made a motion to approve the shed request from CA37, and Trustee Legan seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and President Barone declared the motion carried.

Annual Camper Poker Run Approval: Trustee Mileur stated the Conservancy Committee met and recommends approving the annual camper poker run. President Barone stated this event raises money and food for the Murphysboro Food Pantry and has been a very successful event the last few years. Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the annual camper poker run. Trustee Legan seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and President Barone declared the motion carried.

Boat Shop Building Proposal: Manager Wilmouth reported this item has been tabled in Conservancy Committee pending further information.

Marina/Campground:

Marina Report – Jim Pribble: Mr. Pribble reported between rain for several days and one of the lawn mowers being out of commission for a while, the grass at the marina grounds got a little tall. Mr. Pribble stated the company that always serviced their mowers is going out of business so that also caused a delay for the repairs, but he has found another business to service them and now they are back on track with mowing the grounds. Mr. Pribble stated both of the transient campgrounds are at capacity for the upcoming Labor Day weekend. Mr. Pribble thanked Gary Raines, Butch Cheatham and Manager Wilmouth for all the hard work they put in to get the new playground installed and open.

Discussion/Action Regarding Marina Overdose Incident: Mr. Tim Mitchell introduced himself and stated he is the owner of Universal Glass and part owner of First Southern Bank and has been at Kinkaid Village Marina since 1995. Mr. Mitchell stated he has four slips at the marina. Mr. Mitchell stated his girlfriend owns a pharmacy in Anna and did not have an overdose. Mr. Mitchell stated they are not sure what happened but think she had a stroke. Mr. Mitchell stated she was never taken to the hospital or picked up by an ambulance at the marina. Mr. Mitchell stated earlier that day they went to Cape Girardeau and had lunch, then arrived at the marina about 5:00 and watched a movie until about 7:00. Mr. Mitchell stated they then walked down to visit with Guy Douglas, Jeff Baine, and several other house boaters. Mr. Mitchell stated the letter he got from Mr. Heller is totally false and there is no truth to any of it. Mr. Mitchell stated his girlfriend and him are not sure what happened to her that night, but it has happened three times in the last seven months. Mr. Mitchell stated they don't know why Narcan was forced on her, and that she was never put in an ambulance and taken to the hospital. Mr. Mitchell stated 30 minutes later his girlfriend got up and walked down the dock on her own.

Trustee Barone stated the District heard about an incident at the marina and has an obligation to look into the matter. Trustee Barone stated because there could be a liability issue, the matter was referred to legal counsel. Mr. Heller stated the marina manager was told a number of things about the event that evening by people who were present at the time. Mr. Heller stated the same people who were witnesses to the event and told Jim Pribble what happened, will not verify that information now. Mr. Heller stated this is one of those situations where the District does not have any verifiable information to take any action on this matter at this time.

Master Plan Update: Nothing to report.

OSLAD Grant:

Final Pay Request – Burkey Excavating, LLC: Manager Wilmouth reported this is the final pay request from Burkey Excavating, LLC for \$67,922.52, which is part of the original contract and the change order to include the concrete work for the new playground. Trustee Ardrey made a motion to approve the final pay request from Burkey Excavating, LLC. Trustee Ziegler seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey	Yes
Jay Ziegler	Yes
Greg Legan	Yes
Tony Mileur	Yes
Mike Barone	Yes

President Barone declared the motion carried.

Manager's Report: Manager Wilmouth reported the ADA compliant portion of the playground is complete except for the grass seeding and strawing. Manager Wilmouth reported he is still waiting on the wood chips for the non-ADA compliant swing set. Manager Wilmouth stated these last few items

should be completed next week. Mr. Wilmouth stated he would like to thank Butch Cheatham, Gary Raines, Bruce Dallas and Kevin Stratton for volunteering their time to help install the new ADA compliant playground.

New Business:

Legal Report: Nothing to report.

Kinkaid-Area Watershed Project – Gary Raines Presentation: Engineer Gary Raines introduced Dr. Lou Strack to everyone in the room and stated Mr. Strack founded the Kinkaid Area Water Shed Project in 1998 and prior to that he was responsible for the Friends of Lake Kinkaid group. Mr. Raines stated himself and Mr. Strack have been analyzing the various water quality data that has been collected over the years by Manager Wilmouth, his predecessors, and the Illinois EPA. Mr. Raines stated he will be talking about some of the things that caused their early concern along with the continuing concern with Kinkaid Lake and the Watershed. Mr. Raines stated lake sedimentation is always inevitable anytime there is a lake formed by damming a moving stream. Mr. Raines stated that sedimentation was already known to be a factor when Kinkaid Lake was built. Mr. Raines showed a map of the lake on a projection screen to the audience and stated the current area of the lake is around 2,350 acres. Mr. Raines stated the next graph shows the watershed slopes and a slope that is greater than 15% shows the land is falling off at a rate greater than 15 feet vertically per 100 feet horizontal, which takes in the shoreline. Mr. Raines stated some sedimentation in the lake is due to the slope. Mr. Lou Strack stated Kinkaid Lake has lost nine miles of shoreline since the lake was first built. Mr. Strack stated due to sedimentation the lake has probably lost about 40% of its original water holding capacity. Mr. Raines stated he is not exactly sure what the exact percentage of water holding capacity has been lost. Mr. Raines reported each tributary coming into the lake can be a source of sedimentation. Mr. Raines showed an image from 1993 and pointed to the Port of Ava and stated it was an open and a thriving marina at that time. Mr. Raines stated the Port of Ava was closed due to sedimentation around 1997. Mr. Raines reported a sedimentation survey done in 2003 shows sediment did not quite reach the shores of the beach at the Johnson Creek Complex, but shortly after the beach was closed due to sedimentation. Mr. Raines reported in 2019 a dredging project opened up a boat channel to the Johnson Creek Boat ramp.

Mr. Raines reported the Kinkaid Area Watershed Project founded by Mr. Strack in 1998 is a private, not for profit corporation comprised of all volunteers with a mission statement of maintaining and improving the water quality of Kinkaid Lake, and to ensure that Kinkaid Lake remains a quality water supply. Mr. Raines reported the group was formed when there was grant funding available at the time for citizen groups. Mr. Strack stated the grant program was called Conservation 2000 and made grant money available to organizations like KAWP. Mr. Strack stated they were able to get several of those grants to use for their work on Kinkaid Lake, however the Conservation 2000 program ended in 2007. Mr. Raines reported various studies and results from those studies that were possible due to these grants over the years. Mr. Raines stated they will be giving another presentation at next month's meeting that will summarize the Watershed projects over the years, the sources of funding for those projects, and the water quality of Kinkaid Lake.

USFS – Margaret Anderson: Margaret Anderson reported that she is working on completing the Watershed Restoration Action Plan. Ms. Anderson stated the USFS has had some gulleys surveyed and that project will be going out for bid this fall.

FINANCE CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Finance Chairman Recommendation

District Account Balances Approval and District Budget vs. Actual Report Approval: Trustee Legan made a motion to approve both the District Account Balances and the District Budget vs. Actual Report. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and President Barone declared the motion carried.

Approval of District Bills: Trustee Legan made a motion to approve the District Bills and Trustee Ardrey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Dave Ardrey	Yes
Jay Ziegler	Yes
Greg Legan	Yes
Tony Mileur	Yes
Mike Barone	Yes

President Barone declared the motion carried.

KINKAID AREA WATER SYSTEM

OLD BUSINESS:

Legal Report: Nothing to report.

Manager's Report: Manager Wilmouth reported the second high service pump has been repaired and re-installed. Manager Wilmouth stated the high service pump is already saving energy and lowering costs. Manager Wilmouth stated the third high service pump has been pulled and will be taken to get refurbished as well.

New Business:

Tap Requests: Manager Wilmouth reported there is one tap request located at 228 Cedar Road in Murphysboro, and he recommends the approval of that tap request. Trustee Mileur made a motion to approve the tap request for 228 Cedar Road, and Trustee Legan seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye," and President Barone declared the motion carried.

FINANCE CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Finance Chairman Recommendation

Water System Account Balances Approval and Water System Budget vs. Actual Report Approval: Trustee Ardrey made a motion to approve both the Water System Account Balances and Water System Budget vs. Actual Report. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." President Barone declared the motion carried.

Approval of Water System Bills: Trustee Legan made a motion to approve the Water system bills. Trustee Mileur seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

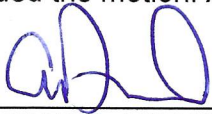
Dave Ardrey	Yes
Jay Ziegler	Yes
Greg Legan	Yes
Tony Mileur	Yes
Mike Barone	Yes

President Barone declared the motion carried.

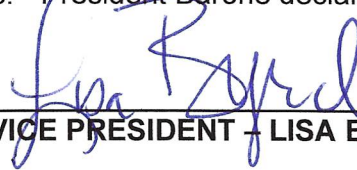
OTHER MATTERS TO DISCUSS: Nothing to Discuss

ADJOURNMENT:

President Barone asked for a motion to adjourn until next month's regular Board meeting scheduled for September 11, 2024. Trustee Mileur made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Trustee Ardrey seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye." President Barone declared the motion carried.



SECRETARY- ANTHONY MILEUR



VICE PRESIDENT - LISA BYRD