

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Armstrong, Matthews, Peluso, Bitner (by phone), and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioners Behm and Dethloff absent.

Motion by Comm. Armstrong, 2nd by Comm. Peluso to approve the September 15, 2021, meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Madam Chairman Jones informed the Commission that Commissioner Dethloff will be resigning effective October 18, 2021, and Jones said the county is seeking applicants for her replacement.

Bismarck Parks and Recreation Director Randy Bina has retired effective October 1, 2021, and Madam Chairman Jones complemented his letter to the board.

David Mayer with Bismarck Parks and Recreation gave a general update, the river is very low, and the fish cleaning stations are closed. The gardens at the Missouri Valley Complex have been cleaned up for the season. Mayer mentioned boat ramps at Kneifel and Kimbal need repair and if the river level remains low in the spring it would be a great opportunity for the repairs to be made.

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Armstrong, Matthews, Peluso, Bitner, Behm, and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioner Dethloff present at 5:05p.m.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Bitner to approve the August 16, 2021, meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

ND Game and Fish ANS Coordinator Ben Holen talked about the ANS (aquatic nuisance species) in the lakes and expressed public awareness about ANS, and actions that prevent their spread. Currently limited to 7 in North Dakota and the goal is to not let it spread. Invasive Carp to Zebra Mussels are the concerning ones. Boaters need to clean their water vessels with hot water, drain and dry them.

David Mayer with Bismarck Parks and Recreation gave a boat ramp update, the river is currently down 5' and the docks are pushed into the water as far as possible and will remain in the waters as long as they are able to. Also, the fish cleaning stations are still open.

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
August 16, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Armstrong, Matthews, Peluso, Bitner, Behm, and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioner Dethloff absent.

Motion by Comm. Bitner, 2nd by Comm. Armstrong to approve the June 21, 2021 meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Bismarck Parks and Recreation, David Mayer mentioned it would be nice to extend the water lines from the south end to the north end for watering at the garden area at the Missouri Valley Complex. Mayer has reached out to two contractors for quotes to trench in two lines, approximately 140 feet, and their prices are \$8,150.00 and \$8,350.00. Madam Chairman Jones said there is money in the budget for the project.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Behm to extend the water lines at the gardens at the Missouri Valley Complex. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Madam Chairman Jones gave an update on the County Parks indicating that camping is down this year, Mitchell Lake being the hot spot. Comm. Peluso update on Kniefel Boat landing; dredging that was done in the fall of 2020 appears to be holding up, doesn't seem to have much silting.

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
June 21, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Matthews, Dethloff, Behm, Peluso, Bitner, and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioner Armstrong absent.

Motion by Comm. Matthews, 2nd by Comm. Behm to approve the May 17, 2021 meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Madam Chairman Jones informed the commissioners that the sign at the Missouri Valley Fairgrounds was not working properly, and replacement would cost somewhere around \$74,000.00 to \$84,000.00. No action was taken.

Motion by Comm. Mathews, 2nd by Comm. Peluso to demolish the older of the two shelters at Steckel Landing and pass on the approved grant to rebuild a new one, and hold off with building a new replacement shelter until next year when building material costs are lower. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Madam Chairman Jones mentioned that the folks at Mitchell Lake are cleaning up the area and enjoying the beach.

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Matthews, Dethloff, Behm, Peluso, Armstrong, and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioner Bitner present via Zoom.

Motion by Comm. Armstrong, 2nd by Comm. Peluso to approve the April 19, 2021 meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Bitner, 2nd by Comm. Armstrong to allow Mr. Williams and community to make a beach at Mitchell Lake. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Behm to continue with the Park District to control the weeds at the boat landings. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

The Ground Lease will be continued to the June 21, 2021 meeting.

Bismarck Parks and Recreation, David Mayer mentioned the Grant that was applied for to replace the second shelter at Steckel Landing has been approved. Motion by Comm. Matthews, 2nd by Comm. Behm to delay responding to Garrison Diversion Conservancy District on the replacement of the second picnic shelter at Steckel Landing until there is more information on the total cost or whether there is a need to replace the structure.

Black Rhino Airsoft, LLC owners Taylor and Jessica Kindseth explained their activity and was asking for the allowance to utilize an area at the Missouri Valley Fairgrounds property for their activity with a lease agreement. After discussion it was noted that the organization would need to obtain a special use permit from the City of Bismarck. The Commissioners agreed to have Taylor and Jessica obtain the special use permit for the City of Bismarck and then return to the County Commission in the future for further discussion and possible approval of a lease agreement for the use of the land.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Armstrong to accept the 10-year Lease Agreement with an annual increase between the Bismarck Motocross Association and Burleigh County for the use of the land at the Missouri Valley Fair Grounds. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

After discussion on the cost sharing of a building at the Missouri Valley Fairgrounds for the use of the Bismarck Motocross Association (BMA) the Commission decided that BMA President Steve Anderson have discussions with their board and return to the June meeting for further discussion.

Meeting adjourned.

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
April 19, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Matthews, Dethloff, Behm, Peluso, and Madam Chairman Jones present, Commissioner Bitner absent.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Armstrong to approve the March 1, 2021 meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Madam Chairman Jones gave a spring update on the County parks; Mitchell Lake, Driscoll Sibley Park, Steckel Park, Kniefel Boat Landing, Kimball Bottoms, McLean Bottoms, and Swenson Park, indicating they are ready for use.

There was no Other Business for the Burleigh County Park Board.

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Park Board adjourned

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman

**BURLEIGH COUNTY PARK BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
March 1, 2021**

5:00 p.m.

Madam Chairman Jones called the Burleigh County Park Board meeting to order.

A roll call of members; Commissioners, Bitner, Matthews, Dethloff, Behm, Peluso, and Madam Chairman Jones Present.

Motion by Comm. Peluso, 2nd by Comm. Bitner to approve the November 16, 2020 meeting minutes and bills as presented. All members present voted "AYE." Motion carried.

Dave Mayer, Bismarck Parks and Rec, mentioned the construction of one of the two shelters at the Wilton Boat ramp in 2020 looks great, and informed the Commissioners of a Grant available through the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District (the Grant would pay 25% of the project) to replace the second shelter at the Wilton Boat Ramp which is in rough shape. Dave mentioned replacing the second shelter was not in the budget but there are available funds to entertain the project, and ask for approval to apply for the grant, with no commitment to move forward with the project. Motion by Comm. Behm, 2nd by Comm. Dethloff to apply for the Grant with the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District for the reconstruction of the second shelter at the Wilton Boat Ramp. Commissioners Behm, Dethloff, Matthews, Bitner, and Madam Chairman Jones voted "AYE", Commissioner Peluso voted "NAY", motion carried.

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Park Board adjourned

Leo Vetter, Auditor/Treasurer

Kathleen Jones, Madam Chairman