MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY May 15th, 2024, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BEARDSTOWN COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT, CASS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT 6PM.

Becky Jones called the meeting to order at 6:39pm and roll was taken. Commissioners present included: Becky Jones, Seth Coats, Mandy Hardwick, Travis Schroll, and Stacy Sloan. Megan Coats and Deion Summers also attended.

The minutes from the April 10th, 2024, meeting were approved on a motion by Travis Schroll and a second from Mandy Hardwick. The special meeting minutes from April 22nd, 2024, were approved on a motion by Travis Schroll and a second by Mandy Hardwick.

The financial report was approved on a motion by Seth Coats and a second from Travis Schroll.

Director’s Report –

* Kiwanis Club had a volunteer repair day at Kiwanis Park and repaired the fencing, dugouts and shelter.
* The JBS Soccer Complex parking lot project was completed by Wade Robertson.
* Pony league will be using Jones and Riverside fields for practice during the month of June.
* Summer Programs begin June 3rd
* The Park District received a bid on the electrical repairs needed at Rice concession from E & M
* The pool will open on May 27th, 2024
* Lifeguard certifications are taking place at IC
* Watering Rice, Lewis, Jones, and the Soccer field is a main focus for this summer.
* Banking – build a savings account at a different bank, possibly an out of town bank, with higher APY % to get better returns.

Topics Discussed/Voted on –

Director Summers has looked into trading our two diesel mowers for a new gas mower, the commissioners approved this.

The pool concessions needs a new HVAC system and the commissioners approved asking for TIF money for this project.

Lights for the dog park were discussed, possibly a dusk to dawn light.

Commissioner Sloan would like to be in charge of a fundraiser with a focus towards playground equipment.

Cell phones – The commissioners discussed adding a cell phone syphon of $25 a payroll for Megan and Josh.

The meeting was closed at 8:08pm.

The next regular meeting will held on June 12th, 2024 at 6pm.