

The monthly Joint Powers Board Meeting for the Mountain Plains Heritage Park was held at the Johnson County Library on April 12, 2017. President Christy Kessler called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with the following members in attendance: Rick Durfee, Megan Boggs, Frank Pratt and Vicky Gearhart.

Minutes from the November 2, 2016 meeting was reviewed with no additions or corrections. Rick made a motion to accept the minutes, Megan seconded.

Christy went over with the board members what bills she had paid from the past meeting to this meeting. There were no other bills that needed paid.

Discussion was held on various correspondences that had been received. Christy filled out the 2017 Census of Governments Survey of Public Employment & Payroll March 2017 - Special Districts and Local Agencies on April 12, 2017. A letter was received for preliminary budgets to be filed with the Department of Audit and the County Clerk by June 1, 2017 which Megan will get done.

Christy had given Steve Reimann the 1099-INT for 2016 form on January 17, 2017 and he sent it in. Christy called Weed & Pest and Back County Spraying for prices to spray the park. Rick made a motion to use Weed & Pest. Frank seconded. Zach Binant of NRCS looked at the park to see what trees would be the best to plant, his suggestion was Golden Willows. Megan made a motion to order 2 trees and Rick seconded. Christy had mailed a thank you note and pictures of the Hesse Cabin to the Surrena Foundation.

The upper park trail needs some repairs where the runoff water had washed part of the trail. John Zorbus came and looked along with Dan Rogers. Both parties will be submitting a bid for the repair. New trail mile markers will be built by Rick . Vicky made a suggestion that we need larger signs for "pick up dog litter" to be placed at the top and bottom of the trail. Megan and Vicky will look for signs and cost.

A cleanup work day was scheduled for May 13, 2017 at 8:00 am which will also be the location of our May board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted Vicky Gearhart