

Starke County Park Board Minutes
August 8th, 2017

1. Roll Call
 1. Present: Chris, Debbie, Rose, Roger
 2. Absent: Butch
2. July 11th SCPB Minutes
 1. Passed 4-0
3. Starke County Forest
 1. Mr. Wakeland spoke of the repairs needed on the road through the forest. He said sand would not fix the problem and said, the Starke Co. Highway Sup. suggested asking the county for funding to use stone as a repair. He spoke that funds up to \$20,000 may be possible.
 2. Timber was marked for harvest on 8-8-17, though number have not yet been ran. This summer harvest shows many benefits over traditional winter timber harvest times. It may be possible to open bids in October. Typical bids require 25% down and 75% due at logging.
 3. A motion was made and a vote passed 4-0, To allow a 7 & 13 acre patch to of timber to go out for bidding.
 4. The SCPB was billed for the trapping of 2 beavers in the County Forest, totaling \$150. the bill will be turned in to the auditors office.
4. Beach and Campground update
 1. Conversations held on the seawall and foundation problems of the beach house. Rick showed blueprints of the building and explained how the maintenance that has not been completed is causing the problems. It was explained that glacial stone should be placed along the base of the wall to prevent further damage to the structure. Debbie said, She was very concerned for several reasons about the tenet and employees. Roger said, we're working on it.
5. Grant Update from Carola Heiltedt
 1. The grant was not delivered in time, it part from lack of local funding.
 2. The site that was suggested for a river access point was discussed. The site is not as parking friendly as wanted. It was discussed that as we move forward, we should look for a site that is more accessible to vehicles.