County Park Commission Meeting August 5th, 2025

The board of Sheridan County Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. County Park Commissioners present were Tina Majors, Amanda Bott, Shannon Dieterle, Sandra Felchle and Roddy Schilling. Others present were Samantha Roubal, County Park Manager and Allan Tinker, McClusky Gazette Editor

Chairperson Majors called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting was sent by mail and email. It was moved by County Park Commissioner Felchle to approve the minutes as is, seconded by County Park Commissioner Bott. Upon roll call vote – Felchle – yes, Bott – yes, Dieterle – yes, Schilling – yes, Majors – yes Motion carried.

The approval letter from the Federal Highway Adm. for the Hoffer Lake paved access road to be signed off on was discussed again in length wandering what the future maintenance costs would be to the County Park and Mountain City unorganized rd. district. The approval letter was held off from approving until further info comes back from the Federal Hwy. Adm. on 55 speed limit and thicker pavement to 4 inches or more. Also GDCD was not heard back from on sharing any costs for future maintenance of paved access road to Hoffer Lake.

Majors inquired about the GDCD 75% grant due Sept 1st if a application was ready to send in for playground equipment. Bott will work on GDCD grant application. The fundraising sign was received and Samantha Roubal has it at Hoffer Lake to be installed with a lockbox by it for the donations to be deposited in. Bott will also work on grant application to be sent in September.

Roubal stated that the Dixon riding mower is broke down and is using the County Shop Bad Boy riding mower for the rest of the season. The Auditor reported there is state bid prices on riding mowers now to check out also. Roubal reported that the north (Skunk) lake has Blue-Green Algae, so far Hoffer Lake is ok. The dumpsters were moved and the security cameras are working great now also. An issue with dogs at the campground was caught on the security camera that was discussed with the dog’s owner. Some breakers need to be changed out in the horseshoe and same with some water values. Troy Stein has offered more sand to be donated to be laid by the road crew when they can on the east side of the beach. Next year Roubal would like Ecolab to help with removal of gophers in the campground. The Mid-Summer fest activities for Friday night August 1st at the 4-H building went well.

It was moved by County Park Commissioner Felchle that the following bills were approved except for the Verizon bill will be looked into further for the security cameras hotspot, seconded by County Park Commissioner Bott. Upon roll call vote: Felchle – yes, Bott – yes, Schilling – yes, Dieterle – yes, Majors – yes Motion carried.

Bentz Supply Store,$284.72; Ecolab Pest,$198.06; Flyway 200, $504.97; McLean-Sheridan Rural Water Board, $269.37; Verizon Wireless, $39.51; VISA, $120.00;

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025.

The meeting adjourned.

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Special County Park Commission Meeting August 20, 2025

The Board of Sheridan County Park Commissioners met at 9:30 a.m. in special session. County Park Commissioners present physically were Tina Majors, Amanda Bott, Shannon Dieterle. On conference call was County Park Commissioners Sandra Felchle and Roddy Schilling. Others present were Allan Tinker, McClusky Gazette Editor, on Teams call was Jill Locken, Nathan Mascarenas and Darin Lockhart, all FHWA reps.

Majors called the meeting to order. The purpose of the special meeting was to consider approval of the paving of the access road to Hoffer Lake Recreation Area.

Jill Locken reviewed the project from the beginning in 2021 and reported on the updates since conception. $360,000 has been spent in designing so far to date with Federal Lands Assistance Program (FLAP). A 4” asphalt lift and 6” aggregate gravel lift is included in current 95% design of blueprints. 25 mph through the campground and 55 mph otherwise was also in the design. No chip seal included due to a couple years later is done. The road design is for a 25 year life span with the truck and vehicle survey that was completed.

The County Park Board members stated their concerns of future pavement maintenance. GDCD has been contacted and they stated no grant funds are available for road maintenance. Mountain City Rd. District is where the access road goes thru and is unorganized that is up to the 2nd Dist. County Commission District budget control that has limited funding. However; flex twp. road funding can be applied for also possibly in the future.

Locken stated the approval letter needs to be received by Wednesday, August 27th to her in order to continue with the contractor bidding process.

Under serious consideration, the board voted 5-0 to decline paving the access road to Hoffer Lake Recreation Area due to the long-term financial burden associated with maintaining a paved road. Upon roll call vote - Schilling – no, Felchle – no, Dieterle – no, Bott – no, Majors – no

The meeting adjourned.

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