

Meeting Minutes April 1, 2026

**Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:335m by Kenkel

**Board Members Present:**

Kenkel, Behrens, Filloon, Wacha (Zoom) Dunning (Zoom)

**Staff Present:**

Behrens, Horne

**Public Comment:** None

**Information Items:**

Maintenance Report:

Maintenance Supervisor Horne provided the maintenance report for the month of March.

Naturalist Report:

Director Behrens provided the Naturalist report for education and outreach for the month of March.

Director Report:

Director Behrens provided his report for the month of March.

**Action Items:**

Campground Opening and Pricing:

Director Behrens proposed opening campground on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 for this years camping season, with no adjustment to prices, since all utilities could be turned on. No objections to proposed opening date.

TF Clark Shelter Repairs:

Director Behrens and Horne explained contractor hunting has been difficult for some projects. One bid has been received for renovation of the TF Clark shelter roof. Director Behrens and Horne stated they would continue to hunt for additional bids, if any and requested the Board approve a maximum spending limit on the project. Motion by Wacha to approve up to \$13,000 in total for labor and materials for the TF Clark Shelter repair, to wait an additional 15 more days from the date of this meeting for any other bids to arrive, and for the Director to move forward with whatever bid is least and under \$13,000. Second by Kenkel. All voting aye. Motion passed.

**Discussion:**

Nature Center Makeover during April:

Director Behrens reported again that contractors have been difficult to find or get to provide bids for certain projects, including the lobby front desk wall renovation and was hopeful to find a contractor to complete the job by the end of April before rentals started to use the building. Director Behrens suggested doing some of the repairs in house and had priced out anticipated supply needs. Motion by Kenkel to approve \$5000 spending limit for material and labor for the Lobby Wall renovation. Seconded by Behrens. All voting aye. Motion passes.

Seasonal Posting:

Director Behrens provided updates on seasonal conservation aide applications and job posting closure. Director Behrens requested moving forward with preferred, qualified candidates following posting closure mid April, prior to the next May Conservation Board meeting. Motion by Filloon to support the Director hiring two seasonal staff following the Job posting expiration date of April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Fall Fest Dates:

Director Behrens suggested October 4<sup>th</sup> from 1-5pm as the 2026 Fall Fest date, adhering to keeping the event on the first Sunday of October. No objections by the Board.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Behrens to approve the Meeting Minutes and Claims for March 2026. Seconded by Filloon. All voting in favor. Motion passes.

**Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn by Kenkel. Seconded by Wacha. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.