

Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District
Security Commission Meeting
October 8th, 2024
“DRAFT MINUTES”

1. Members Present: Jim Maulden, Brian Clancy, Steve Burke, Tom Quill

2. Members Absent: Harry Sherman, Cathie Brown, Carrie Valvul

3. Also, Present:

a. Two freeholders in attendance (Nancy Quill (Ws98), and Brenda Maulden (SW264)); recording minutes for meeting.

4. Welcome: Mr. Clancy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

a. Commission would like to recognize Mrs. Brown for her service with Indiana Task Force One in currently being deployed to aid and serve victims of the recent flooding and hurricane in the southern states.

5. Agenda Modifications:

a. Mr. Maulden noted that he would like to add “CSCD Green Rule Book Review”, going over the first 5 pages of the rule book this meeting, for items pertaining to Security.

6. Approval of Minutes

a. The Commission reviewed the September Commission Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Mr. Maulden motioned to approve the September 10th, 2024 Security Commission Minutes, as submitted, seconded by Mr. Quill. Motion passed 4-0.

7. Freeholder Concerns:

a. Nancy Quill questioned a recent social media post she read pertaining to district speed limits. The post was about an unnamed freeholder who had a conversation with a Brown County Sheriff Deputy while the deputy was on patrol and parked at the beach. The freeholder had asked the deputy if our district speed limits are enforceable by the county sheriff deputies. There seemed to be some confusion with the deputy that they could not enforce our district speed limits as this was a private area. Mr. Quill stated that our district speed limits need to be enforced by law enforcement. Mr. Clancy stated that our district roads are county roads and that the speed limits would have had to have been approved by the county; thus, the limits need to be enforced. Mr. Burke added that some deputies do enforce the speed limit rules and some do not. Mr. Clancy said that he has no problem with going to the Sheriffs office and speaking directly with Sheriff Stogsdill for clarification and planned to do so before the next security meeting.

8. Freeholder Violation Concerns:

Mr. Kobets (WS-309), whom received a certified letter from CSCD of notice of 3 ticket violations resulting in boat sticker removal and suspension of lake privileges for 365 days was present and asked for leniency and removal of one or more violations.

The violations that resulted in suspension were received on: 06/18/24- Expired boat sticker, 08/09/24- No flag raised with person down in water, 08/10/24- No spotter for tubers in water. Mr. Kobets stated that he was aware of the first violation as he didn't come to the office prepared to take the boat safety test or have his wallet to pay for his stickers and had missed the deadline when he finally returned. The violation was received in the interim

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before he applied for the new boating stickers. Mr. Kobets stated that his son-in-law was the one driving the boat for the second and third violations, but Mr. Kobets was only informed by his son in-law of the second violation. Mr. Kobets was not aware of the third violation and suspension of lake privileges until he received the certified letter from the CSCD. Mr. Kobets said that he had a talk with his son in-law and has imposed a “no boat driving suspension” for his son in-law next summer, on his own. Mr. Kobets who was respectful and cordial, stated that he has owned his lake property for 27 years and said that he understands the safety rules are put in place for a reason, but feels that loss of privileges would be unfair to his extended family consisting of children, grandchildren and friends who frequently use the lake during the summer. Mr. Maulden, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Quill and Mr. Burke each responded to the seriousness of the violations and explained that plenty of notice and time were given to purchase stickers and that regarding the safety violations, that these were not only boat safety rules for CSCD, but state boating rules. Mr. Clancy stated that two of the questions pertaining to the violations were actually on the CSCD boat safety test and were also highlighted in the handout of the common Top Ten Rule Violations given to each freeholder when purchasing boat stickers and successfully passing the Boat Safety Course test. Mr. Clancy further explained that ultimately the freeholder is responsible for the actions and conduct of their guests. Mr. Kobets was advised that he may choose to go before the upcoming October CSCD Board meeting to petition the board for his appeal.

MOTION: Mr. Quill made a motion to recommend to the CSCD board that Mr. Kobets lose boating stickers and boating privileges for 365 days, seconded by Mr. Clancy. Motion passed 4-0.

9. Director of Finance & Admin Report:

a. Mrs. Bay prepared and distributed a summary report to Commission members prior to her planned absence of the October Security Commission meeting. The following topics were reviewed:

FOLLOW UP:

- Boat decals have been changed on the rhib boats to “CSCD Lake Patrol.
- Beach trash can with butt holders will be installed by the end of the week.
- Final Adoption of the 2025 Budget will be at next week’s Board Meeting on 10/15/2024.
- Repairs have been made to both the Cordry and Sweetwater boat docks.

STAFF:

- The wake boat demo for Boat Patrol happened at the end of September. Boat Patrol all agreed it was beneficial to see wake boats utilizing wake enhancing devices.
- Marinas are now closed until next season.
- Boat Patrol is done for the season.
- Beach Attendants will continue working reserved weekends only.
- The Beach shelter house will be winterized after the Haunted Trail.

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10. Old Business:

- a. ADA/Loading & Unloading Zone. Mr. Burke was tasked with researching reasonable solutions for designated parking/loading areas at the marinas for persons with mobility issues. Mr. Burke stated that labeling areas as “handicap” will cause more problems than the district is trying to solve in regards to federal ADA compliance. Mr. Burke made the suggestion that a freeholder in need of parking assistance, contact Boat Patrol to meet at the dock so the freeholder can assist and load the mobility restricted person(s) at the dock and then go park their vehicle. The commission decided to table this discussion until Mrs. Bay returns in order to get her recommendation on how to instruct Boat Patrol with supervising the transfer of persons with mobility issues, to a boat.
- a. Boat Patrol Cams Review: Mr. Maulden stated that he spoke with Mrs. Brown regarding the new cameras one day while she was on boat patrol duty. Mrs. Brown stated that she liked the display and playback of the camera, but having just received it, she was still familiarizing herself with it and had not had a chance to actually use it on the water.
- b. Buoy Numbers/Tape Review: This topic will be tabled until spring when the new buoys will be delivered.
- c. 2025 Budget Review: Commission members discussed creating a 5-year budget review plan. Mrs. Maulden invited commission members to attend an Ecology Commission 5-year budget planning session next spring as the sessions led by Jim Donnels are well organized and thoughtfully planned.
- d. Temporary Speed Bumps @ Grizzly: Mr. Maulden stated that the temporary speed bumps were a success with many drive residents commenting that they had noticed significantly slowed vehicles on the road. Mr. Maulden was tasked with contacting Smith Paving to get a quote for permanent “speed tables” for possible installation on other drives. Smith Paving quoted a price of \$450 for each speed table with a minimum order of 12. Plans to further discuss which roads, budgeting, and working with Roads Commission will be made at a later date.
- e. CSCD Green Rule Book Review: Commission followed review format of Ecology Commission by going over the first 5 pages of the rule book this month and highlighting items pertaining to Security. Each month the commission will set aside 15-20 minutes during the commission meeting to review the next 5 pages.

11. New Business

- a. None

12. Commission Member Concerns

- a. None

13. Adjourn (7:54 PM)

MOTION: Mr. Burke moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Quill. Motion passed unanimously.