

**AGENDA**  
**PARKS POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, November 9, 2023**  
**Location: Timberlake Campground, Brandon MS**

1. Approval of Parks Policy Committee minutes of September 14, 2023.
2. Director's Campground and Parks Report for October 2023 – *Separate Handout* (Craig Hunt)
3. Update on Flag Island (Adam Choate)
4. Discussion of Damaged Timber (Adam Choate)

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
PARKS POLICY COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023  
TIMBERLAKE CAMPGROUND**

Members Present: Phillip Crosby, Kenny Latham, John Pittman, Don Thompson and Jack Winstead

Members Absent: Bruce Brackin, Lonnie Johnson

Others Present: Kenny Windham, Randy McIntosh, John Sigman, Jill McMurtrey, Adam Choate, Philip Huskey, Craig Hunt, Tammie Ballard, Mark Beyea, Karan Brister, Trevell Dixon, Marcial Forester, Kelsey Powell

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m. by Parks Policy Chairman Kenny Latham.

Chairman Latham asked for a review of the meeting minutes of August 10, 2023.

Mr. Phillip Crosby made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2023. Mr. John Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Crosby, Latham, Pittman, Thompson and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Latham asked for the next item.

Mr. Craig Hunt reviewed the campground and parks report for August 2023 with the committee.

Chairman Latham asked for the next item.

Mr. Mark Beyea requested approval for engineering contract from Neel-Schaffer for electrical improvements to resolve low voltage problems in Timberlake Campground.

Mr. Billy Cook asked if it may be in our best interest to install a second pipe for future use.

Mr. Jack Winstead made a motion to approve the engineering contract for electrical improvements to resolve low voltage problems in Timberlake Campground, as recommended by staff pending attorney review. Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Crosby, Latham, Pittman, Thompson and Winstead. Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Latham asked for the next item.

Mr. Mark Beyea requested approval of slope erosion repairs at Coal Bluff.

Mr. John Pittman made a motion to approve slope erosion repairs at Coal Bluff, as recommended by staff. Mr. Phillip Crosby seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Crosby, Latham, Pittman, Thompson and Winstead.  
Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Latham asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Don Thompson made a motion to adjourn and Mr. John Pittman seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows: For: Crosby, Latham, Pittman, Thompson and Winstead.  
Against: None. Abstain: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

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Kenny Latham, Chairman

# Memo

**To:** Adam Choate, Mark Beyea

**From:** Rick Hollis

**Subject:** Pine Damaged Timber

**Date:** 11/16/2023

Due to drought conditions, pine trees in our area have started displaying signs of mortality. Upon inspection, the trees are showing signs of insect, southern pine beetle, damage in many of the high use areas on

PRVWSD property. I conducted a visual tree inspection, and followed it up with an actual damaged tree count, by area. Evaluation of the areas are based on current actual number and a projected final number, based on 30% anticipated spread rate.

The collected data is as follows:

|                                | ACTUAL #  | PROJECTED # |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| <b>TIMBERLAKE CAMPGROUND</b>   | 78        | 101         |
| <b>BOBBY CLEVELAND PARK</b>    | 124       | 161         |
| <b>PELAHATCHIE PARK</b>        | 233       | 302         |
| <b>OLD TRACE</b>               | 58        | 75          |
| <b>LEAKE COUNTY WATER PARK</b> | 14        | 18          |
| <b>COAL BLUFF</b>              | 10        | 13          |
| <b>SPILLWAY ROAD</b>           | <u>56</u> | <u>72</u>   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                   | 573       | 742         |

I am currently pursuing estimates for the removal of the diseased timber. Two options are available. Option one, have the timber removed by a tree service. Option two, find a logging operation to remove the timber.

Option one, quicker, more efficient on the cleanup, and they assume the liability of damage. Option two, if available, treat the areas as a timber sale. Disadvantages of this option, no value to the harvested timber, bug damaged wood not accepted at most mill locations, not as clean of a site when finished, use of heavy equipment, which can cause rutting, damage to the asphalt surrounding the harvest areas, power line damage and the need to exclude pedestrians during the harvest. Option two could be more cost efficient per application but could not be used in Timberlake Campground.

I have obtained a quote from Morgan Tree Service to harvest the pine bug infested trees in Timberlake campground, Bobby Cleveland Park, Pelahatchie Shore Park, and Old Trace for a total of **\$100,000.00**. This will include the harvest and removal of the bug pine timber but not grinding of the stumps in the four facilities listed.

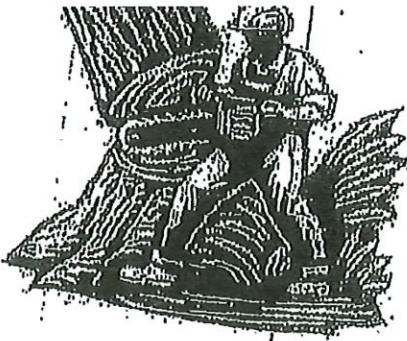
It is my recommendation to pursue option one. To allow Morgan Brothers Tree Service to remove the pine bug wood timber in the four facilities listed above.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Rick Hollis  
PRVWSD Forestry Supervisor  
769-231-7460

Quote

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# MORGAN TREE SERVICE

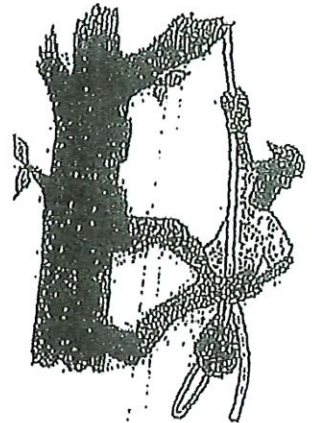
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Joseph Morgan  
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## CUSTOMER INFORMATION

PRINSD  
Limb Lake Campground, Old Trace Park,  
Pelahatchie Park, Bobby Cleveland Park

| SERVICE TYPE   | QUANTITY | ESTIMATE      |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| TREE REMOVAL   | 493.00   | \$ 100,000.00 |
| STUMPS GRINDED |          |               |
| TREE TOPPED    |          |               |
| TREE TRIMMED   |          |               |
| OTHER          |          |               |
| TOTAL ESTIMATE |          | \$ 100,000.00 |

SIGNATURE Joseph Morgan

DATE 11-6-2023