

The Cove, Gov. Sevier Parkway and Lonsdale on county agenda

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The storm damage at The Cove at Concord Park may be discussed when the Knox County Commission meets in work session next Monday at 5 p.m. in the City-County Building. The storm on May 27 downed trees, power lines, and damaged the playground at the popular West Knox County park.

A report on the expenses related to the storm damage may be given by the finance department. Early estimates just after the storm were for around \$150,000 or possibly higher. Knox County Parks and Recreation were hoping to cover the cost without asking for additional funds. Legacy Parks Foundation has established a fund for repairs there.

Responding to the downed power lines there, LCRB is establishing underground power lines to the park. The Cove was closed following the storm and during repairs there and a concert by a local band was cancelled.

The Knox County Parks and Recreation Department reopened The Cove Friday afternoon. The department is busy replacing benches, re-striping the parking lot, fixing fences, etc.

Commissioner John Schoonmaker is asking for a report from the Knox County Emergency Management about the response from the Emergency Management Agency to the storm damage.



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Stephanie Welch addresses supporters as the Island Home resident kicks off her campaign for Knoxville's First District City Council seat.

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