

JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Jefferson County Courthouse

320 S Main Street, Rm 202

Jefferson WI 53538

January 7, 2013, @ 1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland, Mike Kelly, Rick Kuhlman, Steve Nass, Augie Tietz

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Borland at 1:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee members present included: Borland, Kelly, Kuhlman, Nass and Tietz. Others present: Joe Nehmer, Gary Petre, John Molinaro, Jane Stanger, Kim Buchholz, Phil Ristow, Kevin Wiesmann, David Habeck, Patricia Cicero, Rob Klotz, Brian Christenson, Rob Montgomery and Bill O'Connor.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law – In compliance

4. Review of the Agenda – Approved

5. Public Comment

Stanger read a note from a land owner on Lamp Road commenting on the great job the Parks Department is doing maintaining Altpeter Park and the flood mitigation properties on Lamp Road.

6. Approval of the December 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Kuhlman, to approve the December 3, 2012 meeting minutes. Carried 5-0.

7. Communications

- a. View Mason Log Home Condition Report Online
- b. Cabin Dismantling
- c. Rock Lake Improvement Group Hears a Report by UW Students
- d. Waterloo Historical Society donation for signage at Garman Mounds
- e. WISDOT email of December 13, 2012 re: Surplus Land West of Jefferson 21.8 acres
- f. Bike Path Donation
- g. Mason Log Home to Become a Museum
- h. Youth Hunt
- i. Log Home Restores a Sense of Place, History – Milwaukee Journal

8. Discussion and possible decision on request for temporary construction staging at the old "Lamp" property – Town of Sumner

Rob Montgomery from Montgomery Associates asked permission to stage equipment on the old Lamp property while they dredge a small area on Lake Koshkonong to stabilize a nearby wetland shoreline. The area is presently being used for parking trailers and cars by snowmobilers, fisherman and motorcycles. Montgomery stated the project is authorized as a joint Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Rock-Koshkonong Lake District (WDNR/RKLD) project

under state manual code approval and is funded in part with a WDNR Lake Protection Grant. The Army Corp of Engineers has also issued a permit for the project. Zoning Permits have been obtained. The project will take approximately 2 months to complete.

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Tietz, to approve use of the Lamp property to stage equipment on during the project. Motion carried 5-0.

9. Discussion and possible decision on resolution for Rock River Shoreline Restoration
Buchholz reported that last year we applied for a grant to redo the shoreline at Rock River Park. We were awarded the grant. Recently we went out to bid for the project. We received 14 bids. Chils, owned by Rodney & Kathy Zerner out of Eagle, came in as the low bid. The estimated grant project was for \$26,716 of which the state portion is 75% and the county is 25%.

Motion made by Nass, seconded by Kuhlman, to approve the acceptance of the bid. Carried 5-0.

The resolution will go to the County Board at the February Meeting.

10. Discussion and possible decision on amending hunting, trapping and firearms section of Park Ordinance Section 8.06 (1)

Ristow discussed the changes proposed to the Park Ordinance Section 8.06 (1) amending the hunting, trapping and firearms section of the ordinance. A discussion ensued.

Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Tietz, to present this ordinance to the County Board in February. Carried 5-0.

11. Update on Watertown-Waterloo Bike Trail

Nehmer reported that Smith JJR Group will be in the City of Watertown on Wednesday to present final draft to the Steering Committee and at the public. Meeting. Steering Committee will be from 5:00 – 6:00 pm at the Watertown Senior Cente. The public meeting to follow from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Tietz added that this is the final step in this process to getting the trail done and planned. The next step will be getting some costs and applying for grants.

12. Update on GHA Project

Nehmer reported he was out with DNR staff looking at a potential acquisition for GHA.

Molinaro discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that was signed by the County Board but has not been signed by the DNR. It seems this has stalled because of the Act 168 and changes may have to be done on the MOU to reflect Act 168. The committee discussed what options they could possibly take to get the MOU completed.

Nehmer reported there is a small group within the DNR that is working on the Holzhueter Master Plan. They hope to have it done by the end March.

13. Set Tentative Meeting Dates/Times for: February 4, 2013 at 1:00 pm

Glen will not be at Feb. Meeting

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 2:06 p.m. made by Kuhlman, seconded by Nass. Motion carried 5-0.