

Jefferson County
Parks Committee Minutes
Monday, July 8, 2019

Committee members: Tietz, Augie (Chair), Nass, Steve (Vice Chair), Morse, Ed (Secretary), Lund, Kirk, Johns, Jeff

1. **Call to order**
Tietz called the meeting to order at 8:37 am
2. **Roll call (establish a quorum)**
Parks Committee members present: Tietz, Johns, Morse, Nass (@ 12:00 pm)
Parks Committee members absent: Lund
Staff in attendance: Kevin Wiesmann, Megan Chentis
3. **Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law**
Staff certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law
4. **Approval of the agenda**
Agenda approved as written
5. **Communications**
None
6. **Public Comment** (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)
No Public Comment
7. **July Parks Tour**
 - a. **Rock River Landing**
Committee looked at site where pier will be located, talked about piles of top soil with huge amount of weeds growing out of them and possible solutions
 - b. **Pohlmann Park**
Wiesmann noted the playground is in good shape 2015 project, shelter replaced in 2013, discussed timber harvest and silo dilemma
 - c. **Joy Park**
Wiesmann discussed water access and what park is used for; good site for hunting geese
 - d. **Kanow Park**
Flooding in the park was discussed and possible solutions, ash trees discussed and possible solutions, shelter is big and in good condition
 - e. **Highway 16**
Flooding in the park was discussed and possible solutions, ash trees discussed and possible solutions, discussion of possible location of piers and parking
 - f. **Interurban Trail**
Ixonía stop- discussed future of the trail and plans to connect all the way to Oconomowoc, discussed local farmers disapproval and how to get equipment in to site for construction
Watertown- looked at new bridge, discussed possible need for fencing and weed spraying
 - g. **Cappie's Landing**
Looked at campsites; discussed turtles and other amphibians getting stuck where boats used to dock when it was the boat club and possible solution of opening the site up more
 - h. **Garman Nature Preserve**
Discussed work to control invasive plant species and restoration of native plant species
 - i. **Rock Lake Upper**
Discussed how this park is a little reversed as shelter is back further and playground is closer; hidden park but nice
 - j. **Rock Lake Lower**
Discussed partnership with the Town of Lake Mills on the pier/ landing but county owns park and parking; discussed public complaints of overcrowding of parking lot and want of someone to control
 - k. **Rock River Park**
Discussed money donated to make boat launch and pier better; discussed access to park problem as you can barely see oncoming traffic and possible solution

I. **Dog Park**

Discussed the 4 different areas, discussed new boardwalk for the lower portion, discussed possible lure course and hoping to bring in organizations to hold classes

8. **Adjourn**

Lund/Johns motion to adjourn at 12:45 pm. Motion passes 5/0

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