

Parks Committee Agenda
Jefferson County

Videoconference OR
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Ave, Rm 112
Jefferson, WI 53549

Date: Monday, June 1, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Committee Members: Greg David, Jeff Johns, Mike Kelly, Jeff Smith, Augie Tietz

1. **Call to order**

Wehmeier called the meeting to order @ 9:01am

2. **Roll call (establish a quorum)**

Parks Committee Present: David, Johns, Kelly (remote), Smith, Tietz

Parks Committee Absent:

Staff Present: Truman, Wehmeier, Wiesmann, Udovich

Others in Attendance: Nass, Frankie Fuller

3. **Election of Parks Committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary**

David/Johns motion to nominate Tietz as committee Chair. Motion passes 5/0.

David/Tietz motion to nominate Johns as Vice Chair. Motion passes 5/0.

Johns/Tietz motion to nominate David Secretary. Motion passes 5/0.

4. **Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law**

Wehmeier certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law

5. **Approval of the agenda**

Approved as written

6. **Approval of Park Committee Minutes for February 3, 2020**

Johns/David motion to approve the minutes from February 3, 2020. Motion passes 4/0. David abstains from voting.

7. **Communications**

No communications at this time

8. **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

9. Discussion and Orientation on the Services Offered by the Parks Department

a. Jefferson County Parks

i. Shelter Rentals

ii. Camping

b. Bicycle Trails

c. Water Trails

d. Flood Mitigation Properties

e. Glacial Heritage Area

f. State Natural Area

g. Facilities Maintenance

Truman

Wiesmann

10. Discussion on Parks Operations due to COVID-19

a. Dog Park

- b. Shelters
- c. Camping
- d. Office Hours
- e. Staffing

Wiesmann

Truman

David – vote against any types of restrictions because of COVID

11. Discussion and Possible Action on Banning Female Dogs in Heat from the Jefferson County Dog Park

Truman

David – draft ordinance change for next meeting

12. Discussion on Park, Recreation, Open Space Plan Process

Wiesmann

Truman

David – food parks in the county

13. Discussion on Draft Sign Plan for Garman Nature Preserve

Wiesmann – 106 Group,

14. Discussion on Rock River Landing

Wehmeier – update on status of the park. Grading and site prep is currently taking place. Public property should be ready by end of summer. Working on land swap with housing authority – the parking lot is on county property and would be exchanged for green space.

15. Discussion on Interurban Trail Segment Phase I

Tietz - Stop sign at River Road?

Truman – Asphalt bridge to River Road

16. Discussion on Interurban Trail Segment Phase II

Truman

Wehmeier – trail design 30%, culverts, wetlands, grade changes, DOT state/local

17. **Discussion on Garman Nature Preserve Sign Plan Project**

See item 13.

18. **Discussion on Historic Sites Preservation Council**

Nass – indicated that one member of the committee shall be present at the Historic Sites Preservation Council.

19. **Discussion on Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) – Friends of GHA**

Frankie – noted that the Bio Blitz was cancelled due to COVID-19 and the committee is looking at alternative ways to collect data at the park(s). Fuller would like to meet in the next few weeks with Wiesmann/Truman to discuss information collection. Fuller also questioned if volunteers can help with parks maintenance?

20. **Discussion on Projects and Capital Purchases for 2020**

Wiesmann – noted that the 5 year cap project list will included in the in Park Recreation Open Space Plan has been included for the committee's reference. It has also noted that selected 2020 Capital equipment purchases are on hold until otherwise approved by the county administrator and finance director.

Wehmeier – noted that the county is looking at ways to balance revenue losses.

21. Discussion on 2020 Parks Department Budget

Wehmeier

22. Adjourn

David/Johns 5/0 @ 10:30am

23. Next scheduled meetings: July 3, 2020

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