

Parks Committee Agenda
Jefferson County
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Avenue, Room 202
Jefferson, WI 53549

Date: Monday, June 5, 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Committee members: Foelker, Matt
Kelly, Mike
Nass, Steve
Payne, Laura
Tietz, Augie

1. Call to order
2. Roll call (establish a quorum)
3. Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Approval of Park Committee minutes for May 1, 2017 and May 3, 2017
6. Communications
7. Public comment (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)
8. Discussion and Possible Action on Request by UW-Whitewater to Monitor Chemical Communications of Canids
9. Discussion and Possible Action on Participating as a Pilot Community Setting Priorities and Management for the use of Acquired Flood Lands
10. Discussion and Possible Action on Glacial Drumlin State Trail to Cambridge Connector Trail Selection & Implementation Plan
11. Discussion and Possible Action on acquiring WisDOT HWY 16 Wayside
12. Report from the Jefferson County Historical Site Preservation Council
13. Discussion on the Interurban Trail Project
14. Discussion on the Carlin Weld Open
15. Discussion on the Grand Opening of the Rock River Trail
16. Discussion on Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) –Friends of GHA
17. Review of Financial Statements (April, 2017) and Department Update – Parks Department
18. Adjourn

Next scheduled meetings: July 3, 2017
August 7, 2017
September 4, 2017
October 2, 2017

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Parks Committee Minutes
Jefferson County
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#5

Date: Monday, May 1, 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Committee members: Foelker, Matt
Kelly, Mike
Nass, Steve
Payne, Laura
Tietz, Augie

1. Call to order

Tietz called the meeting to order at 9:30am

2. Roll call (establish a quorum)

Present: Tietz, Foelker, Kelly, Payne (@ 9:36am), Nass (@ 9:40am)

Absent: None

Others Present: Nehmer, Nimm, Hutter, Wiesmann, Wehmeier, Ward

3. Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law

Meeting was posted and noticed according to law.

4. Approval of the agenda

Agenda approved as written. #8 tabled.

5. Approval of Park Committee minutes for April 10, 2017

Foelker/Kelly motion to approve the minutes. Motion passes 3/0.

6. Communications

Communications were included in the packet for review.

Carlin Weld disc golf tournament this weekend.

7. Public comment (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)

None

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Request by UW-Whitewater to Monitor Chemical Communications of Canids

Item removed from agenda.

9. Discussion and Possible Action on Glacial Drumlin State Trail to Cambridge Connector Trail Selection & Implementation Plan

Nehmer – Cambridge news called about the status of the proposed connector trail between Cambridge and the Glacial Drumlin Trail. The proposal/plan is approx. 10 years old and focuses on a desire to connect the Village to the Drumlin Trail. This project is identified in the GHA plan. The Village has completed the trail through the Village. The trail currently runs on the west side of Koshkonong Creek, through the Village park, across Hwy 12, through low volume roads to HWY 18, it crosses HWY 18 with marked crossings and a light, runs north of HWY 18 by laundry/motel and into a cul-de-sac flange where it ends. There have been many ideas on how to make the connection. Nothing has been done north of cul-de-sac flange. There was a meeting in Cambridge (last week) to discuss. The group is looking to meet again to find an opportunity to move forward. There is a possibility for state Stewardship funds and Dane county Stewardship funds. There might be a request for a minimal financial contribution from Jefferson County and a general request for “support.”

Payne/Nass motion to support the project connection. Motion passes on a 5/0 voice vote.

10. **Discussion and Possible Action on Dedicating the proceeds from Brew with a View (June, 2017) to the Jefferson County Parks Endowment Fund**
 Nehmer – Supervisor Nass proposal. Last year’s BWAV donations were dedicated to the Interurban Trail. Nass feels it appropriate to make this dedication. NRF reports showed two donations to the Endowment Fund from Supervisor Nass.
 Foelker/Kelly motion to dedicate the proceeds from the June, 2017 Brew with a View to the National Resources Foundation. Motion passes 5/0.
Wehmeier – the funds are physically in another location, held in trust to benefact the parks system. Proceeds used to reinvest the funds.
11. **Discussion on Jefferson County Bicycle Club financial donations to Jefferson County**
 Nehmer – on-going generosity of the bicycle club to Jefferson County. May need engineering plan/proposal to repair the Glacial River Trail (south of Fort Atkinson).
12. **Discussion and Possible Action on Pohlmann Park Silo**
 Wehmeier – the question has been asked to Nehmer is ‘what is the plan for post repair to insure sign-off that the silo is safe’? We must make sure that the proposed repair covers the liability of faulty repair.
 Tietz – structural engineer approval?
 Wehmeier – liability associated with repair and should be inspected by a structural engineer.
 Payne – can we inspect after repair?
 Wehmeier – what happens if it is repaired @ \$2,000 and then is still not safe?
 Tietz – we would have to hire structural engineer. Set funding aside?
 Wehmeier – Nehmer and Wehmeier can set aside funds in budget to cover the structural review. Committee needs to know that if we repair as proposed the project is not necessarily complete.
13. **Discussion on Historical Boards at Korth Park**
 Nehmer – there is an agreement to put up photo boards on the history of the Korth property at the park. Nehmer and Wiesmann met with the Korth family several times. Designer is creating two 3’x3’ boards, at our expense. Concept would go onto west concrete block wall, under large eave.
 Wiesmann – interpretative panels can be designed to prevent sun fading and vandalism.
14. **Discussion on the Garman Nature Preserve Sign Plan and Garman Vegetative Restoration and Management Plan**
 Nehmer – a payment has been received from the Fox Valley Community Foundation for the plans. Plans will be completed and then the projects will begin implementation with funding from the foundation.
 Tietz – questioned if the foundation will support the project implementation and maintenance.
15. **Discussion on the Food Truck Sales at County Parks**
 Nehmer – met with Town of Lake Mills Chairperson to discuss food truck on trial basis near Lower Rock Lake Park. Idea is well received and will go to the Town Board.
16. **Discussion on the Interurban Trail Project**
 Nehmer – grant application has been submitted to the Greater Watertown Health Foundation. Surveying is approximately 90% completed and is waiting on water levels to recede.
17. **Discussion on Event Planning for the Grand Opening of the Rock River Trail**
 Nehmer – general celebration in Beloit Saturday, June 3, 2017.
 Wiesmann – June 3 paddle is questionable based on today’s water levels.
 Tietz – Rock River Shoot Out Tournament that weekend in Watertown – softball tournament.
18. **Discussion on Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) –Friends of GHA**
 Fuller – distributed the trees from the RRTI give-away.
19. **Review of Financial Statements (February & March 2017) and Department Update – Parks Department**
 Nehmer – all is in order. Recent change at HR committee 1,000 hour and seasonal workers. Changes precipitated by

wages that were insufficient to attract qualified candidates.

20. **Adjourn**

Foelker/Kelly motion to adjourn at 10:22am. Motion passes 5/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary S. Nimm, Program Assistant

Parks Committee Minutes
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#5

Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Committee members: Foelker, Matt
Kelly, Mike
Nass, Steve
Payne, Laura
Tietz, Augie

1. **Call to order**

Tietz called the meeting to order at 8:30am

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

Present: Foelker, Payne, Tietz, Nass

Others Present: Nehmer, Wiesmann, Nimm, Ward

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

Meeting was posted and noticed according to law.

4. **Approval of the agenda**

Nass/Foelker motion to approve the agenda. Motion passes 4/0.

5. **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.

6. **Site Inspections – Flood Mitigation Properties**

The committee drove past and conducted visual inspections of the Flood Mitigation Properties at locations listed:

- a. Riverside Drive
- b. Vet's Lane
- c. Blackhawk Island Road
- d. Lamp Road
- e. Oxbow Bend

7. **Adjourn**

Nass/Payne motion to adjourn at 10:54am. Motion passes 4/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary S. Nimm, Program Assistant

GOP measure would sell public land to create merit scholarships for state students #6

Jason Stein and Karen Herzog, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Published 10:06 a.m. CT May 9, 2017 | Updated 5:49 p.m. CT May 9, 2017



(Photo: Journal Sentinel files)

MADISON - The state would sell more than 70,000 acres of public land and use the money to create merit scholarships for Wisconsin students attending college in the University of Wisconsin System, under legislation announced by three GOP officials Tuesday.

The so-called "Wisconsin Merit Scholarships" would be awarded to state students who earn good grades and score high on standardized tests, rather than students who most need financial aid to attend college. The state's flagship campus, UW-Madison, in recent years has stepped up efforts to recruit top Wisconsin students, rather than lose them to other states where they may be likelier to work after graduation.

The complex plan would not privatize the public land. Instead, it would have one state agency borrow money to buy land that another state agency owns outright.

Then the state would invest the proceeds of the land sale — essentially the money that the state had borrowed to pay itself — and use the earnings to fund the scholarships.

There were immediate unanswered questions about the proposal, including how much it would cost taxpayers in interest on the loans and whether the state lands, which include swamps, are really worth \$80 million.

"These scholarships can go on forever," said Assembly Speaker Pro Tempore Tyler August (R-Lake Geneva), one of the three conservative officials proposing the legislation.

August put forward the bill Tuesday with Sen. Steve Nass (R-Whitewater) and state Treasurer Matt Adamczyk, winning immediate backing from UW System President Ray Cross.

Under the plan, the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands would sell about 76,000 acres of land it owns in the northern half of the state, with the lion's share in Forest and Oneida counties. The board manages these properties to earn money for public education through timber and land sales as well as to provide access to the public to hunt, hike and fish.

The lands wouldn't become private, however, because they would be sold to the state Department of Natural Resources through the state's Knowles-Nelson Stewardship land purchase program, which would pay about \$10 million a year over eight years to buy them. That program, which is funded through state borrowing, is designed to promote both conservation and public access for recreation.

The stewardship program has a budget of about \$33 million that would drop to \$10 million a year. Those funds would go to buy land from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands.

"This ends the stewardship program as we know it," said George Meyer, executive director of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and former DNR secretary.

Adamczyk sits on the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands along with Secretary of State Doug La Follette and Attorney General Brad Schimel. Adamczyk said the state should only have one agency overseeing the lands rather than two.

"It makes more sense for the DNR to manage the land," he said.

None of the bill's sponsors could say how much it would cost the state in interest on the loans to buy the land. The loans would not be new, however, since they would come out of the loans and land purchases that the stewardship program is already making.

\$5,000 scholarships

Money from about 6,000 of the board's acres would go into a board fund for K-12 schools and the rest would go to a fund for the UW System. Under the bill, the board would invest UW's money and would, in theory, have enough from the earnings to eventually to give out roughly \$5 million a year in scholarships — that's 1,000 scholarships of \$5,000 each — to students based on their grades and scores on standardized tests like the ACT.

That pleased Cross of the UW System, who said state universities struggle to attract the best students because the state currently offers little in the way of merit scholarships.

"This is really creative. We didn't think of this. We wish we had," Cross said of the bill.

The proposal surprised the staff of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, even though Adamczyk sits on the board.

The agency's executive director, Jonathan Barry, said that the board has already sold thousands of acres to the DNR but that he was skeptical that the agency could get the most money for the land by selling it all to the DNR. He was also skeptical that the lands were worth \$80 million, or more than \$1,000 an acre, saying that while timber lands could fetch that much he wasn't sure that swamp land would.

"We'll have to study this," Barry said.

DNR spokesman Jim Dick also said his agency hadn't reviewed the bill and would have to wait to do so before weighing in on it if the agency does comment at all.

The bill's sponsors touted the idea of targeting aid toward the best students, saying other states are poaching some of Wisconsin's brightest high school graduates by offering attractive scholarship packages.

"This is something I've long wanted to do: help everyone," Nass, the GOP senator, said. "It's going to be based on merit."

UW-Madison in recent years has beefed up efforts to recruit top high school graduates after facing criticism for focusing too much on going after out-of-state residents who pay top tuition, rather than courting Wisconsin's best and brightest.

The focus on merit, rather than financial need, already is generating pushback.

"Giving some rich kid who's had every advantage imaginable \$5,000 that could go to someone where it might make the difference between whether they are the first member of their family to go to college or not, is a complete failure of priorities by the authors of this scheme," said Scot Ross, executive director of One Wisconsin Now, a liberal organization that lobbies for relieving student loan debt.

UW System spokeswoman Stephanie Marquis said the Wisconsin Merit Scholarships "do not take one single dollar away from need-based financial aid," but would be on top of the need-based Wisconsin Grant program and federal financial aid for low-income students.

"This is about retaining the state's best and brightest," Marquis said.

Lee Bergquist of the Journal Sentinel staff contributed to this report.

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Hearty Gardens - Dorothy Carnes Park East

A community garden project

"There can be no other occupation like gardening in which, if you were to creep up behind someone at their work, you would find them smiling." ~Mirabel Osler

It's that time of the year when gardeners' heads and hearts start to envision the coming season of mouth-watering produce, bounteous flowers, and fresh fruits. The Jefferson County Parks Department is offering a number of garden plots to members of the community again this

year at Dorothy Carnes County Park. The garden is located at the park's east entrance off Banker Road and Jones Lane north of Fort Atkinson.

There are two plot sizes available:

10-foot x 10-foot @ \$12.50

10-foot x 20-foot @ \$25.00

Priority will go to those utilizing organic gardening practices.

The gardening area features a tool shed, shared gardening tools, access to water, and an abundance of gardening knowledge

passed along from gardener to gardener. The plots go fast, so don't wait; rent yours today. Gardeners of all skill levels are encouraged to rent a plot. Anyone interested in renting a garden should either stop by the Jefferson County Parks Department office at: 311 South Center Avenue, Room 204, Jefferson, WI 53549
email: jeffcoparks@jeffersoncountywi.gov for more information.

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Lure coursing event set at county dog park

JOHNSON CREEK — A lure coursing event, hosted by the Friends of the Jefferson County Dog Park, will be held on Saturday, May 13, and Sunday, May 14, from 8 a.m. until noon at the Jefferson County Dog Park, just south of Johnson Creek.

Area 1 lure coursing was developed in the early 1970s as a sport for sighthounds, but any dog, big or small, that likes to chase will love lure coursing.

Racing across a field, free as the wind, in the quest of an artificial lure — it doesn't get any better than that!

Jim Perry, dog training expert, will explain how lure coursing works and then the fun begins as one's dog is welcome to try out this fun activity.

This event is free to dogs with a 2017 Jefferson County Dog Park tag or a day pass receipt (for the day attending). Small dogs are welcome.

Any questions, contact the Parks Department at (920) 674-7260 or email dogpark@jeffersoncountywi.gov.

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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER**Research Participant Information and Consent Form****Study:** Urine marking by dogs at the Jefferson County Dog Park**Contact:** Dr. Anneke Lisberg (phone: (414) 899-4645, email: lisberga@uww.edu)**DESCRIPTION OF THE RESEARCH**

As a dog owner/custodian you are invited to participate in a research study about social signals and urine marking in domestic dogs. Previous work suggests that dogs may use urine marking and mark sniffing to learn about new dogs and help safely establish new relationships. The purpose of the research is to better understand how dogs evaluate urine marks, and the roles of urine marking and related behaviors before and during social introductions. As a volunteer dog owner, you will be present at all times and you may choose to terminate your participation for any reason. Participation should be interesting & enjoyable for you & your dog!

Your dog may be audio and video taped during participation in this research. Recordings will be used primarily to collect detailed data on the dogs' behavior, but some portions of the videos may be used in talks regarding the findings of this study and will therefore be viewed by other researchers and interested members of the general public.

WHAT WILL MY PARTICIPATION INVOLVE?

- We may **photograph or videotape the behavior of your dog(s)**
- You will also be asked a few basic questions about your dogs (their age, sex etc.), which will help us better interpret our results.
- This is your dog, your visit & **you can intervene or leave at any time**. We want to learn more about what your dog normally does in the park, so there is no need to change anything on our behalf. If you would normally intervene or remove your dog from any situation, please do not hesitate to do so today.
- While we are not able to compensate volunteers monetarily, we deeply appreciate your interest & time. We couldn't do our work without volunteers like you.

ARE THERE ANY RISKS TO ME OR MY DOG?

Since your dog will be doing what he/she normally does at the park, we anticipate **no additional risk** due to study participation. Our project has been approved for ethical animal treatment and scientific validity by the UWW animal care and use committee.

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

- Feel free to ask any questions about the research at any time!
- You may also **contact Dr. Anneke Lisberg at (414) 899-4645 or via email: lisberga@uww.edu**

Your participation is completely voluntary. If you change your mind **you may end your participation at any time**. Your signature indicates that you have read this consent form, have had an opportunity to ask any questions about your participation and voluntarily consent to participate. You will receive a copy of this form for your records. **Thank you!**

Signature: _____ **date:** _____

Study Objectives:

Previous work in our lab suggests that dogs, unlike several other mammalian species, appear to detect and differentiate both the top and bottom components of "over-marks," scent marks in which one animal marks on top of another's scent mark. Our previous experiment used artificial placement of dog urine into "bottom" and "top" components of the over-mark, with the top scent partially overlapping and interrupting the bottom scent. Our first objective (**experiment 1**) is to quantify the area of overlap in naturally occurring overmarks to compare them to previous and future study designs. Essentially, we want to know how completely and accurately overmarks cover the original marks.

While analyzing the video data from our original studies on overmarks, we noticed dogs making a nose-sweeping motion up and down the wooden stakes on which our "over-marks" were set. Our second objective (**experiment 2**) is to determine if the sweeping is used to differentiate between the relative placements of the two scents of an over-mark (does it help them differentiate the two marks as distinct scents and/or figure out "who's on top?"). Also, we want to know if the dog is spending more time on the top (or bottom) scent, which would suggest they are paying attention to the relative placement and attaching greater emphasis or significance to one of the scents based on placement. This could indicate, for example, that the "top scent" dog is being perceived as more socially significant.

In our previous observations of dogs in dog parks, we also saw numerous occasions in which dogs would break away from social interactions (greetings/play etc.) to sniff the ground and urinate. Often this seemed to indicate a break from or termination of the interaction. Based on these observations we hypothesize that ground-sniffing and this "social urination" may serve in part as a means of de-escalating tense, charged or potentially higher-risk social interactions. Our third objective (**experiment 3**) is to use video of dogs interacting at the park to test this hypothesis.

Behavioral studies:

No dogs will be transported or housed at UW-Whitewater. All dogs are privately-owned animals volunteered for the study by owners, urine collection and experiments will occur at dogs' homes and/or at dogs parks.

Urine Collection: (30 dogs)

To obtain the urine used in Experiments 1 & 2, we will drive to the homes of privately-owned neutered male dogs volunteered for the study by their owners and collect urine non-invasively (in a cup), then freeze the urine for later use.

All three of the experiments below will be conducted at the **Jefferson County Dog Park** in Wisconsin.

Experiment 1:

(60 dogs: subjects recruited and urine marks photographed at dog park)

We will try several approaches to determine the most effective way of determining the boundaries of individual marks in an over-mark. We will **photograph fresh urine marks before and after they are over-marked** on existing structures in the dog park (trees, posts, etc.) We will also photograph **marks that we place on cardboard or existing structures** (trees & posts) in the dog park before and after they are over-marked, varying time to dry to maximize visibility of the second mark. From the photographs we will determine the amount of overlap created in a natural over-mark.

Experiment 2:

(60 dogs: 30 male and 30 female dogs: subjects recruited & tested at dog park)

We will **apply pre-collected urine samples** (see above) to wooden stakes or cardboard strips at the dog park. Stakes/strips will either have:

- Urine from 2 different dogs presented in an "over-mark" (with one urine sample placed over and dripping through/ interrupting the bottom urine sample)
- Urine from 1 dog presented in an "over-mark" (with the same configuration as above)
- Urine from 2 different dogs presented side-by-side

Dogs volunteered for the study will be videotaped as they sniff the stakes/strips and the video will later be scored to assess:

- the number of nose sweeps up and down the stake
- relative amount of time with nose over top vs. bottom mark

Experiment 3:

(60 dogs: males and females, subjects recruited and tested at dog park.)

Our objective for experiment #3 is to collect **video of group play at the park** to determine whether:

- 1) sniffing or urinating by one dog leads to/precedes a break in interactions
- 2) whether sniffing or urination by one dog triggers similar behaviors in others, and
- 3) whether behaviors associated with stress/high arousal (raised hair, tense bodies etc.) decrease following such interruptions.

We will recruit subjects via the owners already present at the dog park and will record social interactions between small groups of dogs (2-5 dogs) to allow later analyses via video.

Proposed Projects: Jefferson County Dog Park

Anneke Lisberg, PhD
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Background

- Associate Professor (Biological Sciences)
 - University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (2009-present)
- MS (Entomology)
 - University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2003
- PhD (Zoology)
 - University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2008
 - Urine marking and investigation among unfamiliar dogs: assessing competition and avoiding risk

Past research: publications

- **Basic behavioral patterns of urine investigation**
 - Males, females, gonadectomized, intact
 - Everybody sniffs, except...neutered males don't care much about female urine
 - Lisberg, A. and C. Snowdon. 2009. The effects of sex, gonadectomy, and status on investigation patterns of unfamiliar conspecific urine in dogs (*Canis familiaris*). *Animal Behaviour* 77: 1147-1154.
- **Countermarking**
 - **Over-marking (OM) & adjacent-marking (AM)**
 - Probably different signals: different sex & status patterns of use
 - **Dog park behaviors: Entryway marking**
 - Males and females equally likely to mark
 - Males mark more times
 - High tailed (status) dogs mark a lot more than low tailed dogs (both sexes!)
 - "Hot spots"
 - Lisberg, A.E. and C. T. Snowdon. 2011. Effects of sex, social status and gonadectomy on countermarking by domestic dogs, *Canis familiaris*. *Animal Behaviour* 81: 757-764.

Current research: preparing to submit

- If over-marks (or countermarks) indicate high status...Does status have a “smell”?
 - Data suggest yes...but that other aspects of mark matter too
 - Some suggestion that dogs over-mark cautiously/conservatively
- Over-marking likely a status signal...so what does “top mark” do?
 - Dogs can recognize both the top & bottom scents
 - Bottom scent not hidden
 - This is different from most other species tested (rodents)!
 - BUT...does top vs. bottom placement matter?

Proposed research:

- Planning for summer 2017 +
- 1 year likely, possibly longer
- Happy to hear concerns (if any!)
- Safety & comfort of dogs & people → research should be fun for participants
- Three total projects:
 - Expt 1: Over-mark mapping: to what extent do top-marks cover bottom-marks?
 - Expt 2: Over-mark investigation: function of nose-sweeps & relative attention to top vs. bottom mark
 - Expt 3: Social ground-sniffing (& urination)...a social de-escalator?

Expt 1: Over-mark mapping

- What we'd do:
 - Photos of marks & over-marks
 - May use existing structures (posts) &/or bring in substrates (cardboard)
 - May apply urine to substrates to trigger future marks
- Considerations:
 - Verbal consent vs. forms
 - Urine sources (neutered males, collected from homes)
 - Up-to-date on vaccines, known sources
 - Badges or shirts on researchers to help identify
 - Others?

Expt 2: Over-mark investigation

- What we'd do:
 - Create “over-marks” on substrates (wooden stakes, cardboard)
 - Video recordings of dogs sniffing and marking on/near the marks
- Considerations:
 - Verbal consent vs. forms
 - Urine sources (neutered males, collected from homes)
 - Up-to-date on vaccines, known sources
 - Badges or shirts on researchers to help identify
 - Owners not videotaped (other than in background)
 - Others?

Expt 3: Social ground-sniffing

- What we'd do:
 - Video recordings of dogs playing off-leash
 - Groups of 3-5 (as they naturally occur)
 - Specific behaviors (ground-sniffing, play behaviors, activity levels & others) assessed from recordings
- Considerations:
 - Verbal consent vs. forms
 - Badges or shirts on researchers to help identify
 - Owners not purposely videotaped
 - Reporting concerns from park end?
 - Others?

Why Jefferson County?

- Overall popularity
- Open entryway → time to sniff!
- Sufficient size to “opt out” of study
- Location near UWW → student researchers
- Community:
 - Better experience for volunteers & their dogs
 - Time & space to choose
 - Referrals

Thank you!



<http://www.uww.edu/cls/cls-directory/profile?id=lisberga>

Making the Most of Floodplain Buyouts in Kenosha County

A project of the Environmental Law Institute
and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The Environmental Law Institute (ELI) and University of North Carolina (UNC) are working with communities across the country to identify and highlight examples of local floodplain buyout programs that are making the most of acquired properties, including Kenosha County (see <https://www.eli.org/land-biodiversity/floodplain-buyouts>). Based on the success of these communities, we have developed practical and implementable recommendations for other places on how to optimize use and management of buyout properties to provide habitat and community amenities while also improving community resilience.

With funding from the New York Community Trust, ELI and UNC are in the process of selecting a few pilot communities where we would work with local officials and neighbors in a process of setting priorities for using the acquired lands and in developing a funding strategy. Kenosha County's proactive identification of potential acquisitions makes it unique among most floodplain buyout programs across the country and, thus, a valuable example for other communities. Working with the County, our project team can help identify and further develop opportunities for using the County's more than 100 acquired properties, engage potential project partners that can help ensure long-term success, and find potential funding sources to make it all happen. The results of our work will provide a model for the rest of the county.

Specifically, we can provide the following:

- Prepare illustrative maps of the buyout areas; demonstrating current use, existing infrastructure, natural features, and the location of all buyout properties in relation to wetland habitats, wildlife habitat, and habitat protection and restoration priorities. The maps will also include existing and planned community facilities and programs (e.g., recreational, cultural, natural) in the vicinity of the buyout area.
- Review goals, objectives, restrictions from local regulations, policies, and plans that may affect use of the land.
- Organize and host, with input from the County, a meeting with community officials, conservation professionals (state agencies and local non-profits), local community groups, and neighbors to discuss the acquired properties and preferred options for future use.
- Identify potential funders and work to engage them in the process.
- After the workshop, develop a brief report of the findings; illustrating potential management/use opportunities for the site and identifying potential funding sources for implementation. We will provide the findings to potential funders as appropriate.
- Highlight Kenosha County as a model example community to other communities across the country.

Mary Nimm

From: Mary Nimm
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:33 AM
To: Joe Nehmer; Brian Udovich; Benjamin Wehmeier
Subject: HWY 16 Wayside

I received a call today from Tom VanBeek at WisDOT. Tom is offering us the HWY 16 Wayside if we want it. I told him I would put the offer in front of you and then it would probably have to go to committees after that. I also told him we would get back to him mid-June.

Sincerely,

Mary S. Nimm

Program Assistant
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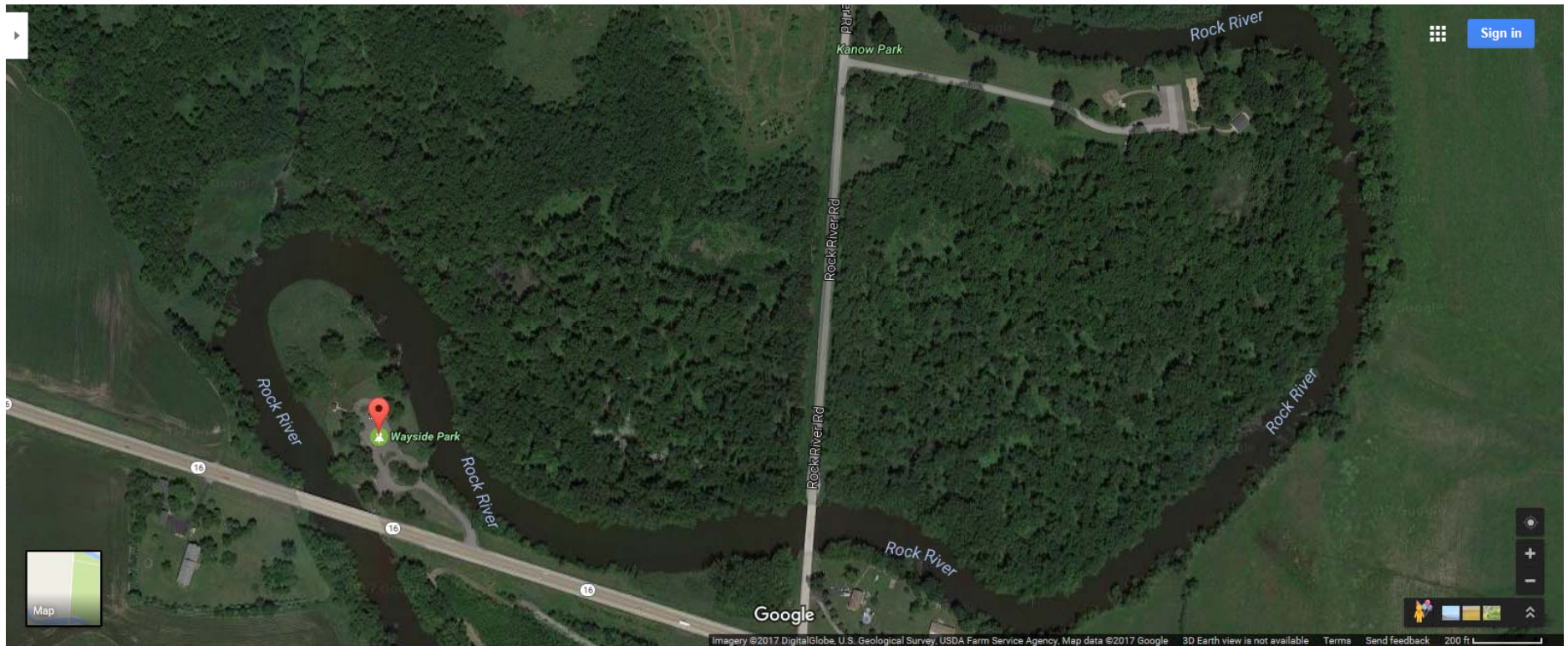
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*"Keep close to Nature's heart... and break clear away, once in a while, and climb a mountain or spend a week in the woods. Wash your spirit clean."
~ John Muir*

HWY 16 Wayside









Mary Nimm

From: Mike Harrington <mike@thediscgolfexperience.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 12:47 PM
To: Mary Nimm
Subject: RE: Tee-signs

Hello Mary,

Yes . . . it was awesome. We sold out at 1:30 AM at 45 people and everyone showed up. We grilled burgers and brats in between round 1 and round 2, we had a closest to the pin contest each round for each division. I gave away 5 trophies (1 to the winner of each division) and everyone had a really good time. Many of those people were playing it for the first time and they thanked me for putting on a tournament there as they never would have probably know about the course or travelled to play it. SO I have to thank you for letting me give it a shot, it was definitely a success!

I would like to offer for the county to cash both of the \$50 checks. I know you only required me to cover the pavilion rental but I want to show you that I want to continue to work with you towards the improvements/additions we discussed and am willing to do more than just the minimum to make that happen. We won't bring in enough money if I simply do the minimum each time. I also did have someone come forward at the tourney (wasn't even playing but he wanted to check out the event because he plays there a lot) and he pledged a significant portion of money to be used towards concrete tee-pads if/when you decide that might be appropriate. I know you have heard it from me before but the loose gravel is so inconsistent and leaves a potential for significant injuries. I'm not sure if Jefferson County can be held liable for an injury in their parks or if they have "recreational immunity" like I have heard in other municipalities but those tees are not very safe. I allowed people to throw from the grass next to 6 of the 9 tees because I didn't want their impression to be ruined by the condition of those tees or someone to get hurt during my event. This would be the first thing that most of these disc golfers would like to see done. I am also happy to make other recommendations for improvements if you will listen to them. I just want to see this course be the best it can, hopefully have more events in the future to show more people how great it is as it is . . .and with improvements and additions how much better it might be too. Please don't take any of this in a negative way . . . it is all about trying to help out the county. The design of the course is awesome and I would love to meet the designer if he still works at the county. I'm not sure if he is a disc golfer or not . . .either way it is a great course with nice variety and some really challenging throws. . . all things that make for an enjoyable tournament and even casual rounds.

P.S. The tee-signs were replaced before the event which was very helpful for our navigation so thank you for the quick response to that issue.

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From: Mary Nimm [<mailto:maryn@jeffersoncountywi.gov>]
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 3:55 PM
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Cc: Joe Nehmer
Subject: RE: Tee-signs

Hi Mike!

Jefferson County
Parks Totals

Date Ran 5/22/2017
Period 4
Year 2017

Business Unit	Description	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Prorated Variance	Total Budget	Annual Remaining	Percentage Of Budget
1801 Parks	Revenue	(64,365.34)	(63,235.00)	(259,032.66)	(252,940.00)	(6,092.66)	(758,820.00)	(499,787.34)	34.14%
	Expenditures	59,883.97	72,342.38	211,089.13	289,369.51	(78,280.38)	868,108.54	657,019.41	24.32%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		(4,481.37)	9,107.38	(47,943.53)	36,429.51	(84,373.04)	109,288.54	157,232.07	0.00%
1806 Carol Liddle	Revenue	(44.00)	(25.00)	(159.56)	(100.00)	(59.56)	(300.00)	(140.44)	53.19%
	Expenditures	-	6,855.63	-	27,422.52	(27,422.52)	82,267.56	82,267.56	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		(44.00)	6,830.63	(159.56)	27,322.52	(27,482.08)	81,967.56	82,127.12	0.00%
1809 Carlin Weld	Revenue	(54.40)	-	(54.40)	-	(54.40)	-	54.40	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	1,746.78	-	6,987.12	(6,987.12)	20,961.36	20,961.36	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		(54.40)	1,746.78	(54.40)	6,987.12	(7,041.52)	20,961.36	21,015.76	0.00%
1811 Korth Park	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
1812 Carnes Park	Revenue	-	(1,938.00)	(11,724.42)	(7,752.00)	(3,972.42)	(23,256.00)	(11,531.58)	50.41%
	Expenditures	138.00	13,343.22	169.59	53,372.87	(53,203.28)	160,118.62	159,949.03	0.11%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		138.00	11,405.22	(11,554.83)	45,620.87	(57,175.70)	136,862.62	148,417.45	0.00%
1813 Park Buildings	Revenue	(1,357.17)	(1,357.17)	(5,428.68)	(5,428.67)	(0.01)	(16,286.00)	(10,857.32)	33.33%
	Expenditures	935.66	1,357.17	4,967.15	5,428.67	(461.52)	16,286.00	11,318.85	30.50%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		(421.51)	(0.00)	(461.53)	(0.00)	(461.53)	-	461.53	0.00%
1814 Garman Nature	Revenue	(4,220.00)	-	(4,220.00)	-	(4,220.00)	-	4,220.00	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	27.42	-	109.67	(109.67)	329.00	329.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	0.02	-	0.06	(0.06)	0.19	0.19	0.00%
Total		(4,220.00)	27.43	(4,220.00)	109.73	(4,329.73)	329.19	4,549.19	0.00%
1816 Glacial Heritage	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	264.07	1,350.75	264.07	5,403.00	(5,138.93)	16,209.00	15,944.93	1.63%
	Other Finances	-	208.33	-	833.33	(833.33)	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00%
Total		264.07	1,559.08	264.07	6,236.33	(5,972.26)	18,709.00	18,444.93	0.00%
1821 Snowmobile Trails	Revenue	-	(3,806.25)	-	(15,225.00)	15,225.00	(45,675.00)	(45,675.00)	0.00%
	Expenditures	-	3,806.25	-	15,225.00	(15,225.00)	45,675.00	45,675.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
1824 Bike Trail	Revenue	(813.42)	(854.17)	(829.30)	(3,416.67)	2,587.37	(10,250.00)	(9,420.70)	8.09%
	Expenditures	-	10,100.08	-	40,400.33	(40,400.33)	121,201.00	121,201.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	(7,258.17)	-	(29,032.69)	29,032.69	(87,098.07)	(87,098.07)	0.00%
Total		(813.42)	1,987.74	(829.30)	7,950.98	(8,780.28)	23,852.93	24,682.23	0.00%
1826 Dog Park	Revenue	(7,084.08)	(3,166.67)	(22,248.42)	(12,666.67)	(9,581.75)	(38,000.00)	(15,751.58)	58.55%
	Expenditures	1,281.29	7,687.25	4,059.96	30,749.00	(26,689.04)	92,247.00	88,187.04	4.40%
	Other Finances	-	2,088.74	-	8,354.97	(8,354.97)	25,064.91	25,064.91	0.00%
Total		(5,802.79)	6,609.33	(18,188.46)	26,437.30	(44,625.76)	79,311.91	97,500.37	0.00%
1840 Groundskeeping	Revenue	(5,017.13)	(4,386.67)	(11,570.53)	(17,546.67)	5,976.14	(52,640.00)	(41,069.47)	21.98%
	Expenditures	3,098.07	4,386.67	12,118.21	17,546.67	(5,428.46)	52,640.00	40,521.79	23.02%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Total		(1,919.06)	-	547.68	-	547.68	-	(547.68)	0.00%
Total All Business Units	Revenue	(82,955.54)	(78,768.92)	(315,267.97)	(315,075.67)	(192.30)	(945,227.00)	(629,959.03)	33.35%
	Expenditures	65,601.06	123,003.59	232,668.11	492,014.36	(259,346.25)	1,476,043.08	1,243,374.97	15.76%
	Other Finances	-	(4,961.08)	-	(19,844.32)	19,844.32	(59,532.97)	(59,532.97)	0.00%
Grand Total Parks		(17,354.48)	39,273.59	(82,599.86)	157,094.37	(239,694.23)	471,283.11	553,882.97	-17.53%