



ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Highways & Parks

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Public Works Committee Meeting – Parks & Highway
Tuesday, January 11, 2022 – 8:00 a.m.
Public Works Department – Committee Room
3715 Newville Road
Janesville, WI 53545

Call to Order. Chair Richard called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Richard, Mulligan, Rashkin and Yeomans.

Committee Members Absent. Supervisor Mawhinney.

Staff Members:

Duane Jorgenson	Director of Public Works
John Traynor	Parks Manager
Amy Friend	Community Coordinator
Amy Hartley	Secretary II
Josh Smith	Administrator
Terri Carlson	Risk Manager
Rich Greenlee	Corporation Counsel
Rich Bostwick	County Board Chair
Shirley Williams	County Board Supervisor

Others Present:

Floyd Finney	Parks Advisory Board
Dean Paynter	Parks Advisory Board
Tom Presny	Parks Advisory Board
Carolyn Brandeen	Citizen

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the agenda as presented, seconded by Supervisor Rashkin. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes for Parks and Highway from December 14, 2021. Supervisor Rashkin moved approval of the minutes from December 14, 2021, seconded by Supervisor Mulligan. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. None.

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Parks Advisory Board Communications. Mr. Presny, Mr. Paynter and Mr. Finney expressed excitement and support the Parks Department in its pursuit of the purchase of Camp Indian Trails and look forward to what this endeavor entails.

PARKS BUSINESS

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

Acceptance of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Outdoor Recreation Aids Grant RTP-1051-2ND Funds. Supervisor Rashkin moved approval of the Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Mulligan. Mr. Traynor explained the Resolution and answered questions from the Committee. ADOPTED.

Authorizing Purchase of Camp Indian Trails Using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding and Amending the 2022 Budget. Supervisor Rashkin moved approval of the Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor discussed the process of obtaining the park and answered questions from the Committee. ADOPTED.

Parks Manager Report – See Attached. Mr. Traynor provided information on the items listed in his report and answered questions from the Committee.

Parks General

Winter is Here – Reminder of Plowing Schedule – park plowing is done the following weekday after snowfall.

Working on Brushing Issues – over 50 trees cut in Ice Age Park; found sand dumped in tree line from sand bags.

Snow Shoe Rentals Reminder – it's the season for snow shoe rental!

Permits are Now Available for 2022: boat launch, metal detection, firewood and volunteer permits.

Camp Indian Trails Update

Dam Transfer Status – Posting Requirement – DNR is processing. Mr. Greenlee explained the process.

Upcoming Steps in the Process - five inspections have been completed.

Lee Park

Forestry Head Work Has Started – Wood Available – when wood is available for permit holders, the gates will be opened for access to the wood.

Park is Closed for the Winter.

Indianford Park

Well Issues Update – RCHD – well is out of compliance based on latest test results. Reviewing remedy of moving or capping well.

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Powerhouse Repairs Update – work has started.

Gibbs Lake Park

Candlelight Hike January 22, 2022 – weather permitting.

Ice Fishing and Fish Crib Update – last years' cribs are working well based on feedback from visitors. Additional cribs will be placed this season.

Carver-Roehl Park

Vandalism – Repairs Update – incorrect bathroom doors received for Carver-Roehl, however, they fit the restrooms at Royce Dallman Park. A new order for doors has been placed for the restrooms at Carver-Roehl.

Portable Toilets Being Removed – toilets removed due to vandalism.

Rental and Revenue Finals for 2021

174 Total Rentals for 2021 Up from 89 In 2020 and 145 in 2019.

Total Of \$22,875 Collected in Rental Fees, Up from \$10,450 in 2020 and \$14,940 in 2019.

Community Coordinator Report – See Attached. Ms. Friend presented a Power Point about November and December events in the parks and reviewed her report.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

Authorizing Purchase of FASTER Asset Solutions Upgrade for Use by the Rock County Department of Public Works for Fleet Management. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the Resolution, seconded by Supervisor Mulligan. Mr. Jorgenson explained the Resolution and answered questions from the Committee. ADOPTED.

Next Meeting Date and Time.

Parks Meeting - Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Highway Meeting - Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Rashkin moved adjournment at 8:44 a.m., seconded by Supervisor Yeomans. ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Hartley, Secretary II