

Trempealeau County Parks Committee Minutes

February 4, 2015

1. **Call to Order:** Parks meeting was called to order by Chair Jeanne Nutter at 5:01 pm in the Wisconsin Room of the Government Center in Whitehall, Wisconsin.
2. **Roll Call:** Members present: Jeanne Nutter, Vilas Hanson, Paul Syverson, Olin Fimreite, Lynda Byrne and Bob Pietrek. Also present were Joan Hanson, Steve Waldera, Duane and Rian Radtke.
3. **Approval of Agenda: Motion by Olin Fimreite to approve Parks Agenda, seconded by Lynda Byrne. Motion carried.**
4. **Minutes of Previous Parks Committee Meeting: Motion by Lynda Byrne to approve previous Parks Committee minutes, seconded by Vilas Hanson. Motion carried.**
5. **Snowmobile Coordinator Report:** Stacy Sylla, Coordinator, was not present to update committee on the Status of snowmobile trails, Rian Radtke was present and gave a short update of the license agreement with Hi-Crush. Nothing back yet. Steve Waldera from the Little Britches Rodeo Club came to ask the possibility if they could use the arena area and camping for a rodeo. He talked about the "Little Britches Rodeo". He is looking to have two (2) arenas. They would take the fence out at one end for bucking shoots and possibly put in metal gate panels. We will get Steve Jelen or Connie Guza to come to the next meeting. Also will be checking into the bleachers. Camping sites would be \$15 for non-electric and \$20 for electric. Question came up regarding alcohol was asked. They would have to obtain a permit from the Township. We will also check on the lights and get back to him. Bob Pietrek will go with him to inspect the area.
6. **Ordinance Regarding Management and Use of Park:** Corporation Counsel Rian Radtke came back to Committee to discuss the Park Ordinance. He did some research and feels if the Committee wants him to investigate further, he would. The Committee did think he had to. As to the Schedule of Deposits, they came up with \$100, \$150, \$300 and \$500 as options. Rian explained what those amounts would be with fees/court costs. They would be \$263.50, \$326.50, \$515.50 and \$767.50 respectively. Bob Pietrek thought they should be higher. Law Enforcement needs to be involved, so we need to update the ordinance. Once adopted we would post it. The Committee decided to leave the rest of the ordinance alone and just put in the schedule of deposits and also ask for restitution. Motion by Bob Pietrek and seconded by Vilas Hanson that we set the deposit at \$300. Motion Carried. This will be on the February County Board. Rian also talked about Concealed Carry.
7. **County Owned Parcels:** Paul contacted the Land records Department and had maps showing County owned land. There basically were not any suitable parcels.

- 8. Farm Progress Days Park Update:** We are still pushing for “real toilets” and also to **Check into a storm shelter.**
- 9. Pietrek Park Update;**
- A. Park Maintenance Update:** Bob Pietrek said we have a good park and should be looking for grants. Stacy is looking and will check further. Duane said he talked to someone about grants, but Stacy does that. Also with the threat of the Emerold Ash Bore, we should be careful regarding firewood at the Park. We will have a sign made the says only approved firewood is allowed. We will check with the Forester.
 - B. Camping Expansion/Electricity:** Paul will talk to Jacobson Electric about his estimate and also to Slaby and see if they could be present for the next meeting.
 - C. Water Test/Chemical Treatment/Water Softener:** We will be getting a water softener. Cost will be about \$360.00.
 - 1. Committee will discuss the usage of the hydrant at our April meeting.
 - 2. No update yet from Meghan Spredemann.
 - D. Park User Fees:** Fees were discussed. **Motion by Lynda Byrne and seconded by Olin Fimreite to leave camping fees as is at \$15 and \$20 and to change Shelters fees to \$150 and a \$100 deposit for the Don Kloss (Upper) Shelter and \$50 for half and \$100 for whole and a \$100 deposit for the lower shelter. Motion Carried.**
- 10. Finance Report/CAPX2020 Funding:** No report as of yet on CAPX2020. The Finance Reports were presented. For January, 2015 Expense Budget is \$56,847.33 of which \$366.53 has been expended. The 2015 Revenue Budget is \$10,000 of which \$6.66 has been received.
- 11. Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 5pm in the Wisconsin Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center in Whitehall, Wisconsin.
- 12. Adjourn: Motion by Lynda Byrne and seconded by Jeanne Nutter to adjourn. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.

Paul L. Syverson, Secretary