



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Park Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

5:30 PM

Walking Iron County Park
6064 Beckman Rd, Mazomanie

A. Call To Order

Chair Ripp called the Park Commission meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Youth Governance Member Excused: Emily Cai.

Staff Present: Joleen Stinson, Sharene Smith, Shane Otto.

Others Present: Supervisor Doolan, Greg Brecka, Wisconsin DOT.

Present: 4 - DAVE RIPP, TOM THORESEN, GRACE MORAN and STEFANIE BROUWER

Excused: 3 - ANALIESE EICHER, KRISTIE GOFORTH and NANCY BOGUE

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#)

[MIN-068](#)

Minutes of the Wednesday, May 11, 2022 Park Commission

Attachments: [2022 MIN-068 PC MINUTES 5-11-22](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

C. Fund Transfers - None

Chair Ripp requested to move the WIS-19 Proposed Indian Lake County Park Pedestrian Underpass to the top of the agenda. There was unanimous consent by Park Commission members.

D. Items Requiring Committee Action

1. WIS-19 Proposed Indian Lake County Park Pedestrian Underpass

Greg Brecka from the DOT gave an overview of the WIS-19 underpass planning to date. DOT structural engineers designing the decorative concrete masonry endwalls recently provided a cost estimate for endwalls at \$170,000. This is not a cost shared item, so that cost would be Dane County's. If the County would prefer the standard aluminum endwalls, then DOT would pay for the entire installation. The Park Commission discussed different aesthetic treatment options that Dane County Parks could consider after the road construction is completed, which will require a DOT maintenance agreement.

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the DOT continue with the pedestrian underpass design with metal endwalls instead of a more decorative stone or concrete treatment. Further direction included requesting powder coating cost estimates and to move forward if they come back within the \$20,000 budget per the 1/5/2021 State/Municipal Financial Agreement (attached). The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

[2022
RPT-092](#)

DOT Hwy 19 Underpass Documents

Attachments: [DOT Hwy 19 Underpass Documents](#)

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. [2022 RES-025](#) ESTABLISHING A POLICY REQUIRING GENDER-INCLUSIVE RESTROOMS IN COUNTY FACILITIES

Sponsors: RATCLIFF, MCGINNITY, PALM, SCHAUER, ROSE, ERICKSON, RITT, HUELSEMANN, WRIGHT, SMITH, CHAWLA, HATCHER, EICHER, BOLLIG, JOERS, ANDRAE, DOYLE, BARE, KIGEYA, WEGLEITNER, CASTILLO and DOOLAN

Attachments: [2022 RES-025](#)
[2022 RES-025 FISCAL NOTE](#)

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by MORAN, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

2. [2022 RES-038](#) ACCEPTANCE OF NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT GRANT SUB-AWARD FROM DUCKS UNLIMITED INC - GREAT LAKES MALLARDS

Sponsors: RIPP, ERICKSON, DOOLAN, ENGELBERGER, RATCLIFF and RITT

Attachments: [2022 RES-038](#)
[2022 RES-038 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by MORAN, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

3. [2022 RES-039](#) ACCEPTANCE OF NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT GRANT SUB-AWARD FROM DUCKS UNLIMITED INC

Sponsors: RIPP, ERICKSON, DOOLAN, ENGELBERGER, JOERS, RATCLIFF and RITT

Attachments: [2022 RES-039](#)
[2022 RES-039 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by MORAN, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

4. [2022 RES-042](#) DANE COUNTY CONSERVATION FUND GRANT AWARD TO ICE AGE TRAIL ALLIANCE (LANGE)

Sponsors: RIPP, DOOLAN, ERICKSON, ENGELBERGER, ANDRAE, JOERS, RATCLIFF and RITT

Attachments: [2022 RES-042](#)
[2022 RES-042 MAP Overview](#)
[2022 RES-042 MAP IATA Lange DCCF](#)
[2022 RES-042 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by THORESEN, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

5. [2022 RES-043](#) AUTHORIZING DONATION OF FUNDS FOR ACCESSIBLE WATER IMPROVEMENTS

Sponsors: RIPP, DOOLAN, ERICKSON, ENGELBERGER, JOERS, RATCLIFF, MCGINNITY and RITT

Attachments: [2022 RES-043](#)
[2022 RES-043 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by MORAN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

6. [2022 RES-045](#) ACCEPTANCE OF NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION FUNDS

Sponsors: RIPP, DOOLAN, ENGELBERGER and RATCLIFF

Attachments: [2022 RES-045](#)
[2022 RES-045 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by MORAN, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

7. [2022 RES-048](#) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND WATERFOWL STAMP FUNDS FROM THE WI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR WETLAND RESTORATIONS

Sponsors: RIPP, DOOLAN, ERICKSON, ENGELBERGER, RATCLIFF and RITT

Attachments: [2022 RES-048](#)
[2022 RES-048 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by **BROUWER**, seconded by **MORAN**, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

F. Presentations

1. Walking Iron County Park Prairie and Oak Savanna Restoration

Walking Iron County Park is a special property that includes a remnant sand prairie with diverse and unique species. The property was historically stewarded by The Prairie Enthusiasts. Dane County's land management team is restoring a prairie and oak savanna complex, expanding out from the remnant. Shane Otto detailed the restoration process in each unit from the last several years and highlighted several species and wildlife benefits.

[2021 RPT-464](#) Walking Iron County Park Restoration Units

Attachments: [Walking Iron County Park Restoration Units](#)

G. Reports to Committee - None

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

June 8 - Heritage Center lower level / hybrid virtual
June 22 - Stewart Lake County Park

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda - None

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law - None

K. Closed Session

A motion was made by **BROUWER**, seconded by **MORAN**, that the Park Commission Meeting enter into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Chair RIPP, First Vice Chair THORESEN, MORAN and BROUWER

Excused: 3 - Supervisor EICHER, GOFORTH and BOGUE

CLOSED SESSION: The Park Commission entered into closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e): The Commission may go into closed session for the purposes of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

L. Return to Open Session

A motion was made by **BROUWER**, seconded by **THORESEN**, that the Park Commission Meeting exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Chair RIPP, First Vice Chair THORESEN, MORAN and BROUWER

Excused: 3 - Supervisor EICHER, GOFORTH and BOGUE

M. Adjourn

A motion was made by **MORAN**, seconded by **BROUWER**, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote 4-0.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Joleen Stinson, pending Park Commission approval.

N. Optional Tour of Park Restoration Work