



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Park Commission

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

5:30 PM

5201 Fen Oak Drive - Conference Room 121A
Madison WI 53718

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A. Call To Order

Present: 6 - KYLE RICHMOND, DAVE RIPP, WILLIAM LUNNEY, CHRISTINE HAAG, MARY SCHLAEFER and TOM THORESEN
Excused: 1 - DANIEL WISNIEWSKI

Schlaefer present at 5:50 PM

Sup Richmond present at 5:55 PM

Staff present: Chris James, Sue Jones, Sara Kwitek, Darren Marsh

Others present: Rebecca Power

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lunney at 5:40 PM (delay due to inclement weather)

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

C. Consideration of Minutes

2014 Park Commission Minutes of February 11, 2015
MIN-598

Attachments: [2-11-15PCM 2015 MIN-598.pdf](#)

A motion was made by RIPP, seconded by THORESEN, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried (4/0) by a voice vote.

D. Fund Transfers - None

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

F. Items Requiring Committee Action

Election of Officers

Postponed.

G. Presentations

Lakes & Watershed Commission -

Development of a Liaison or Subcommittee Related to County Natural Resource Issues

Powers discussed the results of the retreat that the Lakes and Watershed Commission sponsored earlier this year. The retreat was an effort to explore building relationships and improving communications between resource committees on common issues. Based on discussions with several Committees including EANR, there's been some agreement to move forward with a couple of recommendations.

- EANR has agreed to host a briefing for all Committees related to common issues. The goal is to provide a forum for staff to provide information to the Committees and the public related to specific topics vs. meeting with each Committee individually.*
- EANR, LCC and LWC were all in favor of naming liaisons to help improve communications and the efficiency of working on common issues.*

Park Commission discussion:

- Christine Haag, Supervisor Dave Ripp and Mary Schlaefter agreed to be the primary liaisons and Supervisor Kyle Richmond will assist as the alternate from the Park Commission.*
- The Commission recommended that the first task for the liaisons be to outline the purpose and objectives to be served by the group of liaisons.*

H. Reports to Committee

1. Draft 2015 Parks Work Plans

Park Planners Chris James and Sara Kwitek provided a brief recap of 2014 planning and development accomplishments and the draft 2015 work plan for park planning and development projects.

2. Volunteer Program - Status of Park Friends Group Agreement - Volunteer Education Series - Volunteer Appreciation

Lunney discussed a new program being developed by Rhea Stangel-Maier and Wayne Pauly to support park friends groups, volunteer and partners. The series is being called 2015 Volunteer Educational Training Series. Lunney stated that this is exactly the type of capacity building programs that the Friends of Dane County Parks should be sponsoring. He stated that he attended the discussion on herbicides and thought it was an excellent program.

3. 2015 State Budget - Department of Natural Resources Programs

No discussion.

4. Friends of Dane County Parks Endowment - Madison Community Foundation - Endowment Totals - Additional Donations - 2015 Endowment Action Plan

Staff are working with the Madison Community Foundation to provide year-end totals.

5. 2015 Land & Water Newsletters

No discussion.

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting date is March 11, 2015

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by RIPP, seconded by THORESEN, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.