



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee Park Commission

Wednesday, August 24, 2016

5:30 PM

Lyman Anderson Agricultural Center
5201 Fen Oak Drive - Room 121
Madison, WI 53718

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A. Call To Order

Present: 4 - DAVE RIPP, WILLIAM LUNNEY, MARY SCHLAEFER and TOM THORESEN

Excused: 3 - CHRISTINE HAAG, DANIEL WISNIEWSKI and GEORGE GILLIS

Supervisor Gillis was not present at the beginning of the meeting but was present as noted below.

Staff Present: Darren Marsh, Chris James, Sara Rigelman

Meeting called to order by Chair Lunney at 5:30 p.m.

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2016](#) 2016 MIN-203_7-27-16 PC Minutes
[MIN-203](#)

Attachments: [2016 MIN-203_7-27-16 PC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by RIPP, seconded by THORESEN, that the Minutes of the July 27, 2016 meeting be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: 4/0

Ayes: 4 - Supervisor RIPP, LUNNEY, SCHLAEFER and THORESEN

Excused: 3 - HAAG, WISNIEWSKI and Supervisor GILLIS

C. Fund Transfers - None

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

Supervisor Gillis arrived at 5:35 p.m.

Present: 5 - DAVE RIPP, WILLIAM LUNNEY, MARY SCHLAEFER, TOM THORESEN and GEORGE GILLIS

Excused: 2 - CHRISTINE HAAG and DANIEL WISNIEWSKI

[2016 RES-215](#) AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND AT THE FALK WELLS SUGAR RIVER WILDLIFE AREA

Sponsors: DOWNING, BOLLIG, CHENOWETH, CLAUSIUS, de FELICE, DYE, ERICKSON, JONES, KILMER, KOLAR, KRAUSE, LEVIN, MATANO, McCARVILLE, NELSON, O'LOUGHLIN, PERTL, RIPP, RITT, RUSK, SALOV, SCHAUER, SCHMIDT, STUBBS, WEGLEITNER, WILLIAMS and YOUNG

Attachments: [2016 RES-215](#)
[2016 RES-215 Fiscal Note](#)
[2016 RES 215 Map](#)

A motion was made by RIPP, seconded by SCHLAEFER, that this Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor RIPP, LUNNEY, SCHLAEFER, THORESEN and Supervisor GILLIS

Excused: 2 - HAAG and WISNIEWSKI

[2016 RES-216](#) AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER FROM THE SUGAR RIVER NRA DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT

Sponsors: RIPP and DOWNING

Attachments: [2016 RES-216](#)
[2016 RES-216 Fiscal Note](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by GILLIS, that this Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor RIPP, LUNNEY, SCHLAEFER, THORESEN and Supervisor GILLIS

Excused: 2 - HAAG and WISNIEWSKI

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

F. Presentations

G. Reports to Committee

1. Mendota County Park Master Plan

James provided an overview of an informational meeting Park staff held on August 17th where draft recommendations for the Mendota County Park Master Plan were presented. Proposed improvements to the park include internal walking trails, expanded playground areas, improving regional connectivity to the park, additional stormwater treatment areas and replacing the existing shelter near the beach.

2. Donald Park Entrance - Greeting Center

Rigelman provided the Commission with an update of an upcoming planning process that will investigate a future welcome center and trailhead area at Donald County Park at the former Hitchcock farmstead.

3. Capital City Trail Pavement Replacement Projects

Rigelman informed the Commission of a phased pavement restoration project for the Capital City Trail that is anticipated to begin in 2017.

4. 2017 Park Fee Adjustments

Marsh provided an overview of 2017 adjustments to the Dane County Parks fee schedule. Minor increases are being proposed in some park program areas to help offset increasing operating expenses. A public hearing to further review and take comments on the proposed changes to fees will be held at the next Park Commission meeting on September 14th.

5. Healthy Parks Tour

Chair Bill Lunney informed the Commission of the latest Healthy Parks Tour stop held at the Jenni and Kyle Reserve in the Capital Springs Recreation Area on August 20th. The Tour will conclude with a celebration at the Lussier Family Heritage Center on September 7th from 5-7 p.m.

H. Announcements

*8/25/16 Volunteer Appreciation Picnic - Lake Farm Shelter #2 - DC Park Staff
8/26/16 Blue Bird Volunteers' Year End Picnic - Pop's Knoll - Friends of Donald Park
8/27/16 Solar Sun Viewing w/ Bob Terrell FOCSRA - 10 am- noon - backup 8/28
8/30/16 ESD Freshman Summit - Silverwood - Friends of Silverwood
9/1/16 Fire Building Workshop - Friends of Schumacher Farm
9/1/16 READI Seed Collection - E-way
9/1/16 Prairie Seed Collection - E-way
9/7/16 Friends of Dane County Parks Endowment Fundraiser - Heritage Center
9/8/16 Prairie Seed Collection - Yahara Heights
9/10/16 Farm to Table - Fundraiser Dinner (tentative) - Friends of Silverwood
9/10/16 Capital Springs Bus Tour - FOCSRA
9/11/16 Heritage Fest - Friends of Schumacher Farm
9/21/16 Fish, Crystal, Mud Lake Public Information Meeting*

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting - September 14, 2016 at Lyman Anderson Conservation Center

J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

none

K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

none

L. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chris James. Minutes subject to committee approval.