



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, June 12, 2019

5:30 PM

Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation Center

5201 Fen Oak Drive - Room 121

Madison WI 53718

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A. Call To Order

Present: 6 - DAVE RIPP, WILLIAM LUNNEY, DANIEL WISNIEWSKI, TOM THORESEN,
NANCY BOGUE and STEFANIE BROUWER

Excused: 1 - ANALIESE EICHER

Youth Governance Program Member: Ziggy Bjurlin

Staff Present: Laura Hicklin, Darren Marsh, Sharene Smith, Sara Rigelman

Others Present: Judie Pfeifer

Meeting called to order by Chair LUNNEY at 5:37 pm.

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#)
[MIN-062](#) PC MINUTES_5-22-19

Attachments: [2019 MIN-062_PC Minutes_5-22-19.pdf](#)

A motion was made by BOGUE, seconded by BROUWER, that the minutes of May 22, 2019 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 6/0, YGP: 1/0

C. Fund Transfers - None

Chair LUNNEY recused himself from the referral item and left the room. Vice Chair RIPP assumed leadership of the meeting.

Present: 5 - DAVE RIPP, DANIEL WISNIEWSKI, TOM THORESEN, NANCY BOGUE and
STEFANIE BROUWER

Excused: 2 - WILLIAM LUNNEY and ANALIESE EICHER

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

[2019
RES-080](#) DEDICATION OF THE WILLIAM G. LUNNEY LAKE FARM COUNTY
PARK

Sponsors: EICHER, BAYRD, BOLLIG, BUCKINGHAM, CHAWLA, CHENOWETH, CLAUSIUS,
DANNER, DOWNING, ERICKSON, KIEFER, KILMER, KNOLL, KRAUSE, KUHN, LEVIN,
McCARVILLE, MILES, NELSON, PETERS, RATCLIFF, RIPP, RUSK, SALOV,
SCHAUER, SCHWELLENBACH, STUBBS, VELDRAN, WEGLEITNER, YOUNG and
RITT

Attachments: [2019 RES-080](#)
[2019 RES-080 Fiscal Note](#)

*Members of the Park Commission shared the following remarks on Bill's 30-year tenure
as Park Commission Chair:*

- Dane County has been very well served by Bill LUNNEY. He's very deserving of the dedication of the William G. Lunney Lake Farm County Park. As Park Commission chair, one of his many strengths was giving the public their due and respect.*
- LUNNEY is known for the different roles he's had in conservation serving on numerous boards. You rarely see someone have such a long and impactful role in conservation. He has many accomplishments and leaves a marvelous legacy.*
- LUNNEY brings energy to all of the Park Commission meetings and sincerely cares about the issues at hand. He runs the meetings very well and is extremely organized and well prepared.*
- LUNNEY has an amazing and very detailed knowledge base that is going to be hard to replace.*

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Resolution be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 5/0, YGP: 1/0

LUNNEY returned to the meeting and resumed his Chair role.

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NANCY BOGUE and STEFANIE BROUWER

Excused: 1 - ANALIESE EICHER

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

[2019
ACT-065](#)

DE MINIMIS DETERMINATION - WIS 19

Attachments: [2019 ACT-065 WIS 19 De minimis Determination.pdf](#)

Marsh reviewed WisDOT's Section 4(f) De minimis documentation for the STH 19 road corridor safety improvements related to Indian Lake and Halfway Prairie Park properties that would be impacted by the road project. WisDOT has proposed to mitigate impacts to the park and improve pedestrian safety by providing an underpass. The underpass would accommodate use of the Ice Age National Scenic Trail and park patrons crossing STH 19. WisDOT's design for the underpass includes a 90" corrugated culvert. WisDOT provided a cost estimate for culvert design and an estimate for a concrete box culvert that could be considered if additional funds from Dane County or other partners could be secured.

Park Commission reviewed the current proposal and asked staff to meet with WisDOT planners to reevaluate the current design, including items concerning lighting, aesthetics, maintenance and safety. The Commission also asked staff to look into Dane County and WisDot contributing 50/50 for a box culvert.

This Action Item was not acted on

F. Presentations - none**G. Reports to Committee****1. Indian Lake Chapel - Fence Replacement Donation Project**

Marsh provided an overview of the history and significance of the Indian Lake Chapel, including the Endres family who built the chapel in 1857. A few of the Endres family members have made a donation to replace and upgrade the old painted fence around the chapel. The proposed fence is a wrought iron fence that will match the historic character of the chapel. Marsh is working with the County Historical Society for approvals for the project. LUNNEY indicated that he would like to send a letter to the family thanking them for their donation.

2. Black Earth Wildlife Area - Utility Corridor

Marsh provided an update on the County's position on the proposed Cardinal Hickory Creek Transmission Corridor that will impact the Black Earth Wildlife Area Sunnyside Unit. The County's position is that the new transmission corridor should be located south of Hwy 14, following the transportation corridor. The current line that traverses over the bluff should be relocated to the new corridor and existing corridor should be restored back to a natural condition.

H. Announcements

- LUNNEY announced his retirement as Park Commission Chair effective June 30th. He thanked everyone at the meeting for their hard work and commitment to conservation, noting each of their unique qualities that they brought to their work.
- LUNNEY indicated that the Foundation for Dane County Parks received an \$8,000 grant from the Madison Community Foundation for developing accessible fishing and boating improvements throughout the Dane County Park system.

- 6/7/19 *VIntr Restoration Workday, McCarthy, 9-noon - DC Park Staff*
- 6/7/19 *Prairie & Pollinator Workday, LFHC, 9-noon - FOCSRA*
- 6/8/19 *Friends of Anderson Workday, 8-11 am - Friends of Anderson*
- 6/11/19 *Tunes on Tuesday, Pheasant Branch, 6-8 pm - Friends of Pheasant Branch*
- 6/11/19 *VIntr Workday, Walking Iron, 9:00-noon DC Park Staff*
- 6/11/19 *VIntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30-noon - Friends of Donald Park*
- 6/12/19 *FFA Conference - DC Parks Staff*
- 6/14/19 *VIntr Restoration Workday, Indian Lake, 9-noon - DC Parks Staff*
- 6/15/19 *Prairie Chase Run, Pheasant Branch, 8:00-12:30 - Friends of PB*
- 6/15/19 *Schumacher Farm Music Festival 3-8 pm - Friends of Schumacher*
- 6/15/19 *Workday Sugar River, Ziegler Property -SW Trout Unlimited*
- 6/16/19 *Friends of Stewart Workday*
- 6/16/19 *Father's Day Picnic, Donald Park - Friends of Donald Park*
- 6/17/19 *Pheasant Branch Board of Director Meeting 5:15 pm*
- 6/18/19 *Weeds & Wildflower, Prairie Moraine, 9-noon - DC Parks Staff*
- 6/18/19 *Tunes on Tuesday, Pheasant Branch, 6-8 pm - Friends of Pheasant Branch*
- 6/18/19 *Friends of Donald Park Board of Directors Meeting*
- 6/18/19 *VIntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30- noon - Friends of Donald Park*
- 6/19/19 *Friends of Anderson Board Meeting, Oregon Town Hall, 7pm*
- 6/19/19 *FOCSRA Board Meeting, 4:30-6 pm, LFHC*
- 6/20/19 *Jenni & Kyle Fishing Day - DC Park Staff*
- 6/20/19 *Master Naturalist Train, Pheasant Branch, 4-8 pm - Friends of PB*
- 6/20/19 *Pheasant Branch Conservancy Day 6:30-7:30 pm - Friends of PB*
- 6/21/19 *VIntr Workday, Stewart, end of Blue View. 9am-noon -DC Parks Staff*
- 6/21/19 *Prairie Restore & Pollinator Workday, LFHC, 9-noon - FOCSRA*
- 6/22/19 *Barn Dance at Silverwood, 5 pm -Friends of Silverwood*
- 6/25/19 *Tunes on Tuesday, Pheasant Branch - 6-8 pm - Friends of Pheasant Branch*

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Change to Summer Parks Tour Schedule

[2019
DISC-008](#)

2019 PARKS SUMMER TOUR SCHEDULE - REVISED

Attachments: [2019 DISC-008 2019 Park Tours Revised 2.pdf](#)

J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

none

K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

none

L. Adjourn

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 6/0, YGP: 1/0

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sara Rigelman. Minutes are subject to committee approval.