



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, January 22, 2020

5:30 PM

Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation Center
5201 Fen Oak Drive - Room A/B
Madison WI 53718

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A. Call To Order

Present: 4 - NANCY BOGUE, STEFANIE BROUWER, DAVE RIPP and TOM THORESEN

Excused: 2 - ANALIESE EICHER and DANIEL WISNIEWSKI

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

Youth Governance Program member present: Ziggy Bjurlin

Staff Present: Darren Marsh, Sharene Smith, Chris James, Lael Pascual

Others Present: None

Meeting called to order by Chair RIPP at 5:30 pm.

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) PC MINUTES_1-8-20
[MIN-416](#)

Attachments: [2019 MIN-416](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Minutes of January 8, 2020 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0, YGP: 1/0

C. Fund Transfers - None

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

EICHER arrived at 5:34 pm.

Present: 5 - NANCY BOGUE, STEFANIE BROUWER, ANALIESE EICHER, DAVE RIPP and
TOM THORESEN

Excused: 1 - DANIEL WISNIEWSKI

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

[2019
ACT-305](#) CONSERVATION GRANT-GROUNDSWELL CONSERVANCY FOR LOWER
MUD LAKE (69 ACRES)-BROST

Attachments: [2019 ACT-305 Map](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, to support the grant request with service fee. The motion carried by a voice vote: 5/0, YGP: 1/0

[2019
ACT-306](#) PARTNER PROJECT-GROUNDSWELL CONSERVANCY FOR HALFWAY
PRAIRIE CREEK(10 ACRES)-WOLF

Attachments: [2019 ACT-306 Map](#)

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by BOGUE, to make an offer on partner project. The motion carried by a voice vote: 5/0, YGP: 1/0

F. Presentations - None

G. Reports to Committee

1. Natural Areas Conservation Art Contest

Pascual provided an overview of the art contest to support the Natural Areas Program. Parks staff, Shane Otto and Lars Higdon thought an art contest was a good way to get the community engaged in the program. Information was distributed last year to art and science teachers of grades six through twelve in Dane County to gain interest. Three submissions will be chosen from the entries and a \$500 scholarship provide to those students. Pascual asked for a Park Commission member to help judge the artwork. BROUWER volunteered to assist.

2. Lussier Family Heritage Center Programming and Initiatives for 2020

Pascual provided an overview of 2019 programs and achievements in outdoor education and outreach directed from the Heritage Center. She then covered 2020 initiatives to expand programs including working with four community centers in the "Get Outdoors" program.

3. Lake Farm Solar Project

James discussed the William Lunney Lake Farm Park Solar Project that will be done in 2020 to collect solar energy that will cover the energy needs for the campground and Heritage Center.

4. Lower Yahara River Trail Phase #2 - 1-15-20 Public Information Meeting

James reviewed the information presented at a public information meeting on January 15, 2020 at the Town of Pleasant Springs. The planning process is anticipated to include a second public information meeting in July and be completed by December 2020.

5. Babcock Park - New Property Stabilization

James discussed conceptual plans to update and expand access to the Babcock County Park Lake Access Site. A consultant firm is anticipated to begin planning work in 2020, and will take into consideration the recently acquired properties and new access opportunities that were created to Lake Waubesa. Marsh provided pictures of the deconstruction of the buildings that were removed from the site.

H. Announcements

[2019 RPT-539](#)

PARKS ACTIVITY-EVENT SCHEDULE_LATE JAN-FEB 2020

Attachments: [2019 RPT-539](#)

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: February 12, 2020, 5:30 pm, Lyman F Anderson Ag & Conservation

J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

L. Closed Session

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by THORESEN, that the meeting enter into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0

Ayes: 5 - BOGUE, BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, Chair RIPP and First Vice Chair THORESEN

Excused: 1 - Second Vice Chair WISNIEWSKI

The 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.

M. Return to Open Session

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BOGUE, that the meeting exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote: 5/0

Ayes: 5 - BOGUE, BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, Chair RIPP and First Vice Chair THORESEN

Excused: 1 - Second Vice Chair WISNIEWSKI

N. Adjourn

A motion was made by EICHER, seconded by BROUWER, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 5/0, YGP: 1/0

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Darren Marsh. Minutes are subject to committee approval.