



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, September 9, 2020

5:30 PM

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A. Call To Order

Present: 7 - NANCY BOGUE, STEFANIE BROUWER, ANALIESE EICHER, DAVE RIPP, TOM THORESEN, GRACE MORAN and KRISTIE GOFORTH

Youth Governance Program member present: Sam Kaufmann

Staff Present: Laura Hicklin, Darren Marsh, Alex DeSmidt, Sharene Smith

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

Introduction of new member Kristie GOFORTH

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#) PC MINUTES_8-26-20
[MIN-165](#)

Attachments: [2020 MIN-165](#)

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Minutes of August 26, 2020 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 7/0, YGP: 1/0

C. Fund Transfers - None

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments) - None

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

1. [2020 ACT-115](#) DANE CO CONSERVATION FUND GRANT APPLICATION FROM GROUNDWELL CONSERVANCY & TOWN OF DUNN - 130 ACRE CONSERVATION EASEMENT, HEACOX PARCEL

Attachments: [2020 ACT-115 Heacox Closeup.pdf](#)

Smith reviewed the information that was presented to the Park Commission at the August 26, 2020 Park Commission Meeting.

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by THORESEN to request staff to prepare a Resolution to approve grant money for this Conservation Fund grant project request. The motion carried by a voice vote: 7/0, YGP: 1/0

2. 2021 Dane County Parks Fees - No Change to Current Fee Structure

[2020 ACT-116](#) 2021 PARKS PROPOSED FEES & HISTORY

Attachments: [2021 ACT-116 Parks Proposed Fees & History.pdf](#)

A motion was made by MORAN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Action Item be approved, to approve 2021 park fees with no changes. The motion carried by a voice vote: 7/0, YGP: 1/0

F. Presentations

1. Salmo Pond Accessible Fishing Pier & Possible Naming

Marsh stated that the Salmo Pond Fishing Pier was nearing completion. The pier was washed away during the 2018 flood. RIPP and Marsh noted that there are discussions underway on the possibility of dedicating the pier in memory of Dan Wisniewski, a former park commissioner who passed away in 2020. All proposed dedications are brought to the Park Commission for review and action.

G. Reports to Committee

1. Capital City Trail Projects and Timelines

DeSmidt provided an overview of all the projects that will be taking place on the Capital City State Trail and an area locally known as the Roundabout in the City of Fitchburg. DeSmidt explained that the Parks will be restoring the trail surface on the CCT trail this Fall and the portion of the trail from Seminole Highway to the Cannonball trail will be closed for the resurfacing.

2. Small Game Hunting

Small game hunting was on the agenda as a follow up to broader discussion about hunting opportunities on Dane County parkland. Marsh stated that the County has about 3,400 acres across 19 properties open for small game hunting. The Commission asked staff to confirm that county parkland that is adjacent to DNR wildlife areas is designated as a county wildlife area, where appropriate.

H. Announcements

GOFORTH announced that the City of Monona is purchasing the historic San Damiano Friary, a 10-acre property with approximately 1000 feet of shoreline on Lake Monona.

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Proposed Outdoor Meeting and Tour at Indian Lake County Park on September 23rd.

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 BOGUE, that the meeting enter into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - BOGUE, BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, Chair RIPP, First Vice Chair THORESEN, MORAN and GOFORTH

CLOSED SESSION: 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 BROUWER, seconded by THORESEN, that the meeting exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote: 7/0

Ayes: 7 - BOGUE, BROUWER, Supervisor EICHER, Chair RIPP, First Vice Chair THORESEN, MORAN and GOFORTH

N. Adjourn

A motion was made by EICHER, seconded by THORESEN, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 7/0, YGP: 1/0

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

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