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, July 24, 2019 **6:00 PM** **McCarthy Youth & Conservation Park**
4841 County Hwy TT
Cottage Grove WI 53527

McCarthy Park - 4841 County Hwy TT, Cottage Grove

A. Call To Order

Present: 4 - DAVE RIPP, DANIEL WISNIEWSKI, TOM THORESEN and STEFANIE BROUWER

Excused: 2 - NANCY BOGUE and ANALIESE EICHER

Youth Governance Program member excused: Ziggy Bjurlin

Staff Present: Chris James, Darren Marsh

Others Present: Jeanne Behrend, LuAnne Wood, Mercedes Kohlhardt, Dean Kalmerton, Karen Bailey

Meeting called to order by Chair RIPP at 6 pm.

B. Consideration of Minutes

2019 MIN-140 PC MINUTES_7-10-19

Attachments: 2019 MIN-140_PC Minutes_7-10-19.pdf

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by WISNIEWSKI, that the minutes of July 10, 2019 be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

C. Fund Transfers- None

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

1. 2019 RES-142 ACCEPTANCE OF A WI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES GRANT FOR CAPITAL CITY STATE TRAIL BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Sponsors: RITT, CHAWLA, DOWNING, JONES and LEVIN

Attachments: 2019 RES-142
2019 RES-142 Fiscal Note
2019 RES-142 CONTRACT #13756

A motion was made by THORESEN, seconded by BROUWER, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

2. 2019 RES-149 AUTHORIZING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF FITCHBURG, CITY OF MADISON & DANE COUNTY FOR TRAIL STORMWATER CONVEYANCE

Sponsors: RITT, CHAWLA, DOWNING, JONES and LEVIN

Attachments: 2019 RES-149
2019 RES-149 Fiscal Note
2019 RES-149 CONTRACT #13763

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by THORESEN, that the Resolution Requiring 2/3rds Vote be recommended for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

2019 ACT-065 DEMINIMIS DETERMINATION - WIS 19

Attachments: 2019 ACT-065_WIS 19_Deminimis Determination.pdf
2019 ACT-065_7-18-19_ Dane Co Deminimis Concurrence Letter.pdf

A motion was made by BROUWER, seconded by WISNIEWSKI, to approve the mitigation measures outlined in the presented Wisconsin Department of Transportation Section 4(f) Deminimis Determination letter and authorized Darren Marsh to sign and return the letter to the Department. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

F. Presentations - None

G. Reports to Committee

1. Friends of McCarthy Report

Dean Kalmerton and Karen Bailey from the friends group provided an overview of activities and involvement at McCarthy Youth and Conservation Park including prairie restorations, special events, and working with the Ho-Chunk Nation on an interpretive trail throughout the park. Chris James provided additional background on the history of planning for the park, including the McCarthy's original land donation of 180 acres in 1974 and their desire to create a park where kids from the city could go and learn about nature.

2. McCarthy Restoration Projects

Dean Kalmerton discussed a variety of restoration projects the friends group has been working on with Parks staff and Operation Fresh Start, including removal of invasive species in woodland areas, prairie restoration, and wetland scrapes.

3. McCarthy Capital Projects

Chris James described future improvements planned for the main parking area including a new shelter, picnic area, playground, and drinking water. A professional consultant is expected to be hired in late 2019, with planning anticipated to be completed by spring 2020. If funding allows, development may occur in 2021.

H. Announcements

7/20/19 Stewart Walk and Talk on Bees, 10 am - Friends of Stewart
7/20/19 Firefly Hike, Indian Lake - Friends of Indian Lake
7/21/19 Friends of Stewart Workday- Friends of Stewart
7/21/19 Friends of Donald Park Board of Directors meeting
7/21/19 Vlntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30 -noon - Friends of Donald Park
7/21/19 LFHC & Capital Springs Open House- Nature Walk, 12:30-2pm - FOCSRA
7/23/19 Vlntr Workday, Walking Iron, 9 - noon - DC Park Staff
7/26/19 Friday Vlntr Restore, Donald Park Sutter Rd lot, 9-noon - DC Park Staff
7/26/19 Schumacher Farm Evening-All About Moths, 7-9 pm - Friends of Donald
7/27/19 Trail tread repair workday with IATA, Springfield Hill - IATA
7/28/19 Savanna weed/brush clear, Prairie Moraine - IATA
7/28/19 Vlntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30-noon - Friends of Donald
7/29/19 Certified Land Steward Orientation, LFHC, 9-3:30- DC Park Staff
7/30/19 Weeds & Wildflowers, Anderson Farm, 9-noon - DC Park Staff
8/1/19 Baker Tilly CLA Vlntr, Lake Farm 9-noon - DC Park Staff
8/1/19 McCarthy student/youth gardening, watering, am/pm-Friends of McCarthy
8/2/19 Prairie Restore & Pollinator Work, LFHC, 9-noon - FOCSRA
8/6/19 Prairie Moraine workday, 9-noon, Dog Park Closed
8/6/19 FOCSRA/MMSD Quarterly Meeting, MMSD, 12:30-2 - FOCSRA
8/6/19 Vlntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30 - noon - Friends of Donald Park
8/6/19 Summer Camp - STEAM on the Farm, 9-3:30-Friends of Schumacher
8/7/19 Summer Camp - STEAM on the Farm, 9-3:30-Friends of Schumacher
8/8/19 Certified Land Steward Orientation, LFHC, 9-3:30 - DC Park Staff
8/8/19 McCarthy student/youth gardening, watering, am/pm-Friends of McCarthy
8/8/19 Summer Camp - STEAM on the Farm, 9-3:30-Friends of Schumacher
8/10/19 Friends of Anderson Workday, 8-11 am - Friends of Anderson
8/11/19 3rd Annual Stewart Park Celebration - Friends of Stewart
8/11/19 Barks for Parks-Badger Prairie - DC Parks Staff
8/12/19 McCarthy student/youth garden harvesting,10:30-1:30-Friends of McCarthy
8/13/19 Vlntr Workday, Walking Iron, 9-noon - DC Park Staff
8/13/19 Friends of Schumacher Nature Photography
8/13/19 Vlntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30-noon - Friends of Donald Park
8/13/19 Evening Prairie Hike, Liebetrau Prairie, Pine Rd Lot - IATA
8/15/19 Friends of Anderson Board Meeting, Oregon Town Hall, 7pm
8/15/19 Pheasant Branch Conservancy Days 6:30 -7:30 pm - Friends
8/16/19 Lil Explorers at LFHC, 9am - FOCSRA
8/16/19 Prairie Restore & Pollinator Workday, LFHC 9-noon - FOCSRA
8/17/19 Bats at Stewart, Historic District School House, 9am - Friends of Stewart
8/17/19 Sumac and brush clearing, Prairie Moraine - IATA
8/18/19 Friends of Stewart Workday
8/19/19 Pheasant Branch Board of Director meeting 5:15-7:19

8/19/19 Schumacher Chicken Wrangler Wrkshp, 3-5pm-Friends of Schumacher
8/20/19 Seed Collecting- golden alexander at E-way Hill, 9-noon - DC Parks Staff
8/20/19 Friends of Donald Park Board of Directors meeting
8/20/19 VIntr Workday, Donald Park, 8:30-noon - Friends of Donald Park
8/21/19 FOCSRA Board Meeting, LFHC, 4:30-6 pm
8/23/19 Seed Collecting, Schumacher Farm, 9-noon - DC Parks Staff
8/23/19 Bluebird Picnic, Pop's Knoll, 5-8 pm - Friends of Donald Park

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

August 14, 5:30 pm at Fen Oak

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 WISNIEWSKI, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote: 4/0

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

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

Park Commission members toured McCarthy Park. There was no official business conducted.