

**WAUPACA COUNTY  
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

Oct. 6, 2015  
Courthouse, Waupaca

Chair McClone called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Joe McClone, Dona Gabert, Lee Much, and Donald Peterson.

Also Present: John Francis, Roger Holman, and Bob Ellis.

McClone gave the opened meeting statement.

Motion by Gabert, seconded by Peterson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Much to approve the Sept. 1, 2015 minutes. Motion carried.

There was no correspondence for Committee action.

McClone opened the meeting for public comment. McClone updated the Committee on the blastomycosis cases on the Little Wolf River near Camp Vic-To-Rae. McClone noted the cases among the tubers may be occurring because of a common area and the tubers stop while tubing the river.

Holman presented and reviewed Resolution #27 (2015-2016), Transfer of Waupaca County Owned Property to the Town of Dayton. Holman noted the property includes the Stratton Lake Boat launch and part of W. Stratton Lake Road. The Town has been maintaining the launch since 1958 and the Committee's position in the past has been the site should continue to be maintained by the Town.

Holman noted the Hwy. Committee has also recommended the transfer.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Much to recommend the adoption of Resolution #27 (2015-2016), Transfer of Waupaca County Property to the Town of Dayton. Motion carried.

Holman reported that Judge Huber has determined that the Little Hope Lake District is not valid nor currently in existence and is void ab initio. The Judge's order has been filed with the Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue and Waupaca County Register of Deeds. Holman also noted that the Town's insurance paid for approximately 50% of the County's attorney's fees. Holman noted with the Judge's order, other legal actions against the Lake District have been closed.

Holman updated the Committee on the upcoming Crystal River Restoration meeting scheduled for Oct. 8, 6:30 p.m. at the Dayton Town Hall. The meeting is being held to provide direction to the riparian landowners of the property formally covered by the water held back by the Little Hope Dam. The presenters included Al Nieber, DNR Fisheries Biologist, Scott Koehnke, DNR Scenic Water Management Specialist, Bob Welch, Waupaca Field Station, and Ryan Brown, Waupaca County Planning & Zoning Director.

Holman updated the Committee on the 2016 budget process. Holman noted the request for a new Park Caretaker position was not approved by the Human Resources Committee.

Francis and Holman reported the County has received 50% grants for the Gills Landing seawall and Dake & Miner Lake boat launch upgrades. Holman reported we are still waiting on the Crystal River property purchase.

Francis reported on the status of various projects, including a new garage and service door for the Commercial Building, the Keller kiosk, and the Pauer's timber sale. Discussion was had about camping, it was determined that the County should replace the Vic-To-Rae culverts and use remaining funds to develop a few camping sites at Keller Park.

Holman updated the Committee on Dept. Head training and evaluations.

The next meeting was set for Nov. 3 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Much to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Submitted by

Roger G. Holman  
Director