

WAUPACA COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes – November 9th, 2016
Waupaca County Courthouse

Chair McClone called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and gave the open meeting statement.

Roll Call: Chair Joe McClone; Vice-Chair Fred Zaug; Supervisors Lee Much, and Dona Gabert. Gene Sorensen was on excused absence. Others present: John Francis.

Review and Approve Agenda: Motion by Zaug, seconded by Gabert to approve the agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by Much, seconded by Zaug to approve the October 12th minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote.

Public Comment/Correspondence: McClone opened the meeting for public comment. There was none.

Review of current restrictions and MOUs regarding Camp Vic-To-Rae: Francis handed out the MOU from 2008 between the County and the Van Kampens and regarding the camp. After discussion it was decided that the documents should be reviewed by Corporation Council to see what restrictions they put on the use of Camp Vic-To-Rae. Francis will report back at the next meeting.

Grandstands Pavilion: Francis reported on the efforts to find and hire an engineering firm to do the building design and specifications. He is working with several firms to determine the appropriate scope of engineering work. The plan is to re-bid the building after January 1st, 2017.

Property for Sale Near Nelson Park: Francis reported that the three parcels located near the Red Mill between Cty Hwy K and Danielson Road are all for sale. It was proposed by a Town of Dayton Resident that the County should purchase the properties for park development. The idea was discussed and while the Committee felt it would be a good project, there is no money to pursue it at this time.

Columbia Lake Retaining Wall Project: Francis reported on the project and explained that it will not be moving forward due to the neighbors not agreeing with the proposal for a replacement wall. Francis proposed that the money be used for developing a driveway and small parking lot for the new Crystal River Property. The Committee agreed with the understanding that Francis will contact the Highway Department to do the work.

Fairgrounds Update:

- a. **Storage Update:** Francis reported that revenue and numbers were up this year. See below:

| | 2015-16 | 2016-17 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Revenue | \$32,132.80 | \$40,267.80 |
| People | 137 | 158 |
| Items | 151 | 171 |

McClone requested that an end of the year revenue report be developed and distributed to the entire County Board to inform everyone of what is happening in the Fairgrounds and Parks.

- b. **Roofing Projects:** Francis reported that the Commercial Building roof is underway and over half complete. The Goat Barn Project will be underway early next year as plans have now been settled on by the Goat Project.

Director Report

- a. **Department Activities:** Francis reported that the Taylor Lake Landings are being repaired today by the Highway Department. The Fisherman's riprap project is to start Thursday or Friday; this too is a Highway Department project. Dake Lake Landing slabs are to go in Thursday and they will begin Miner Lake Landing the following week. Francis has applied for grants for the White Lake launch upgrade, Shaw's Landing restroom, and the Little Wolf Boat Launch restroom upgrade. The Pauer's storage building is mostly complete, all that remains is to bring electrical to the building and remove the old building. Francis also reported on the new online snowmobile maintenance and grooming reporting program the DNR is instituting for this season. McClone suggested that we look into a donation box of some sort for Fisherman's Park to try to offset the cost of maintaining the site.
- b. **New Park Caretaker Position:** The amended budget to change the new Park Caretaker from a .75 position to a full time position starting in April of 2017 was discussed.
- c. **2016 Project & Purchase Update:** Francis reported that the department is going to purchase a replacement trailer or two this year and are looking into options for groomer storage for the next couple of seasons.

Upcoming Meetings: The next Committee Meeting was set for 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday December 7th 2016 at the Waupaca County Courthouse with a tour to possibly include the new dog park, Pauer's shed, Dake and Miner Landings, Gills Landing, and possibly other locations and recent projects.

Adjourn: Motion by Gabert, seconded by Zaug to adjourn. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Submitted by,

John D. Francis
Parks and Solid Waste Director