

JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
320 SOUTH MAIN ST, JEFFERSON WI 53549
ROOM 202

September 2, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland-Chairman, Paul Babcock, Amy Kramer, Rick Kuhlman,
Steve Nass

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Borland at 1:22 p.m.

2. Committee members present included: Borland, Babcock, Kramer, Kuhlman, Nass. Others present: Nehmer, Stanger, Schmeling, Steve Wollin, Donald Hepp, Nancy Hall, Tom Belzer, Brian Udovich and Mark Vesperman
Kuhlman left at 1:50 p.m.

Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law – In Compliance

4. Approval of the Agenda – Approved
5. Approval of August 3, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the August 3, 2009 minutes. Babcock/Kramer, Kuhlman abstained, carried 4-0.

6. Public Comment – None
7. Discussion and possible decision on naming of Hubbleton Snowmobile Bridge – Larry Chwala

Item tabled for a later date when more information is obtained.

8. Friends of Rose Lake – Self Guided Walking Tour brochure – Tom Belzer

Belzer a member of the Friends of Rose Lake presented the Self Guided Walking Tour brochure created by the Friends of Rose Lake to assist visitors at Carnes on an informational self guided tour of the area. Number plaques are staked areas along the paths where certain species may be found.

9. Update on HWY 26 Bike Enhancement Project – Mark Vesperman

Vesperman updated the committee on the progression of the Bike Enhancement Project the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is working on.

10. Paddling Committee Update – John McKenzie

Item tabled for a later date.

11. Discussion and possible decision on Tall Grass Restoration Grant requested funds for an intern to oversee the Rose Lake Project – Chad Dallman

Dallman gave a brief update on the project and pointed out the Tall Grass Restoration committee is applying for the grant and are targeting to hire an intern to work on the project. He will keep the committee updated on the project.

12. Update on Kanow Park forestry management project

Nehmer reported the forester has marked all trees for the timber harvest. The harvest will create suitable conditions for natural regeneration of silver maple, swamp white oak, elm, and green ash.

13. Update on Jefferson County Board Picnic

Kuhlman reported plans are completed.

14. Update on disc golf at county parks

Nehmer reported he has visited a disc golf course in Dodge County and will continue to look into the project and will explore funding.

15. Discussion on 2010 Budget

Nehmer updated the committee on the 2010 Budget proceedings.

16. Cost Savings Options update

Nehmer reported nothing new to report at this time.

17. Update on Snowmobile Grants – Corridor #13 Bridge and Hubbleton Snowmobile Bridge

Nehmer gave an update on the Snowmobile Grants

18. Update on Capstone Project at the Mason Farm component of Dorothy Carnes County Park through the School of Landscape Architecture at UW Madison

Nehmer reported they have hired a senior student from the UW Madison School of Landscape Architecture to do the Capstone Project.

19. Update on Glacial Heritage Area

Nehmer reported he and Borland will be talking with the Economic Development Consortium next week. Nehmer reported he has spoken with Wisconsin Public TV regarding GHA and a program will air prior to the Natural Resources Board meeting which is in the middle of October.

20. Correspondence

- a. Group Meeting Permit for Whitewater Youth Soccer
- b. Osprey Nest Informational Sign
- c. Group Permit Palmyra/Eagle Cross Country Meet at Carlin Weld Park
- e. Dog Park Donation

21. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO s.19.85(1)(e), STATUTES for consideration of Department of Transportation's offer to Purchase Highway 26 access rights adjacent to Bicentennial Park

Motion to convene into closed session at 2:37 p.m. Babcock/Kramer, carried 4-0.

Roll Call taken: Borland, Babcock, Kramer, Nass, Nehmer, Stanger

22. Reconvene in open session to consider action on closed session item.

Motion to reconvene in open session at 2:49 p.m. Kramer/Nass, carried 4-0

23. Set tentative next meeting date/time: October 5, 2009, 1:00pm – Room 202.

Babcock noticed he will not be attending October 5, 2009 meeting.

24. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 2:51 p.m., Nass/Kramer, carried 4-0.