

## AGENDA

### JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE

Jefferson County Courthouse  
311 South Center Avenue, Room 202  
Jefferson WI 53549

February 3, 2014 @ 1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland, Mike Kelly, Ed Morse, Steve Nass, Augie Tietz

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law
4. Review of the Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Approval of the January 6, 2014 Meeting Minutes
7. Communications
  - a. Crawfish River Park Meets Goal, Daily Union, January 6, 2014
  - b. Picture of Dorothy Carnes Park, Daily Union
  - c. Roahens Commission Sculpture for Fort Bike Trail, Daily Union, 1/27/14
  - d. "My Favorite Tree" Pictures
  - e. Jefferson County Bike Club Donation, January 18, 2014
  - f. Photo on Outboarders' Donation, Watertown Daily Times, 1/13/14
  - g. Jefferson Community Foundation Raising Funds for New Park, Rock River Reflections newsletter
  - h. Glacial Heritage Area Winter Fair, Rock River Reflections newsletter
  - i. Glacial Heritage Area Winter Fair Invite
  - j. Jefferson County Parks on Youtube
8. Discussion and Possible Decision on Administrative Fees Charged to the Snowmobile Program Grant
9. Discussion and Possible Decision on former Watertown Outboarders' Property
10. Discussion and Possible Decision on Fat Tire Bike Usage in the Parks System
11. Discussion and Possible Decision on Amendment of the Dog Park Rules to Allow Rabies Vaccination/License Waiver as a Condition of Park Access
12. Update on 2013 Parks Department Budget
13. Update on Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) Project
14. Set Tentative Meeting Dates/Times for: March 3, 2014 at 1:00 pm
15. Adjourn

**The Committee may discuss and/or take action on any item specifically listed on the agenda. Individuals requiring special accommodations for attendance at the meeting should contact the County Administrator at 920-674-7101, 24 hours prior to the meeting, so appropriate arrangements can be made.**

**JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**JEFFERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
311 South Center Avenue, Room 202  
Jefferson WI 53549**

January 6, 2014 @1:00 p.m.

Committee: Glen Borland, Mike Kelly, Ed Morse, Augie Tietz

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Borland at 1:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Committee members present: Borland, Kelly, Morse and Tietz. Others present: Joe Nehmer, Kevin Wiesmann, Kim Buchholz, Ben Wehmeier, John Molinaro, Phil Ristow, Larry Clark (RLIA), Steve Gaffield (RLIA), Jim Shaw (RLIA), Patricia Cicero (LWCD), John Lawson (JCSA), Dave Eisentraut (Strand & Associates), Brandan Hager (WisDOT), Jeff Ziebell (JCSA), Bob Bennett (JCSA), Eugene Pagel (JCSA), Hope Oostdik (Town of Lake Mills), Reo Owens (2 Rivers Bicycle & Outdoor), Frankie Fuller (Friends of GHA)
3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law: Administrator Wehmeier stated that we are in compliance.
4. Review of the Agenda: Approved as written.
5. Public Comment: None
6. Approval of the December 3, 2013 Meeting Minutes:

**Motion to approve the December 3, 2013 minutes was made by Tietz, seconded by Morse. Motion carried, 4-0.**

7. Communications:
  - a. County Rejects Land Sale – Daily Jefferson County Union
  - b. The Perfect Gift – Daily Jefferson County Union
  - c. Dog Park Annual Tags are Available – Daily Jefferson County Union
  - d. 2014 Dog Park Tags Available – Jefferson County Living
  - e. Email: Glacial River Trail Closed at Koshkonong Lake Rd – DOT
  - f. Email: The Mans’ Family
  - g. Crawfish River Park – Watertown Daily Times
8. Update on Miljala Channel Study – Rock Lake Improvement Association: Members of the Rock Lake Improvement Association provided the committee with an update on the Miljala Channel study. They are in the final stages of wrapping up their two grants. If individuals are interested in the final report, it can be found on the Rock

Lake Improvement Association's website. They distributed a packet of information to the committee and reviewed the information it contained.

Discussion occurred on next steps. As a property owner, the Rock Lake Improvement Association will keep us posted on the projects next steps.

9. Economic Impact of Winter Activities in Jefferson County – Discussion and Possible Decision - Bob Bennett, JCSA:

Bob Bennett, President of the Jefferson County Snowmobile Alliance, gave a presentation to the committee on the Economic Impact of Winter Activities in Jefferson County.

The Jefferson County Snowmobile Alliance is comprised of 18 clubs with 874 members. There are 3,055 sleds registered in Jefferson County. There are 182.7 miles of public snowmobile trails and 300+ miles of club trails within Jefferson County. Trails are maintained by the Snowmobile Alliance. There are costs for installation, maintenance, grooming, bridges, fuel and repairs. There are four groomers in Jefferson County. The snowmobile grant funding only covers 60% of the expenses incurred by the Snowmobile Alliance. Product sales for snowmobiling brought in \$21,700 in sales tax for Jefferson County. In addition, snowmobile trail users spend their dollars locally on food, gas and lodging. Mr. Bennett compared the snowmobile program to the ski trail program and the money being spent on a 2014 capital purchase for ski trail grooming equipment.

Much discussion followed. Nehmer distributed snowmobile trail maps to the committee members. Jeff Ziebell asked that the committee reconsider charging an administrative fee to the snowmobile program. Nehmer explained how the administrative fee came about. Discussion occurred.

The committee asked Nehmer to bring back additional information at the February meeting on how the administrative fee could be changed. Nehmer will communicate his findings with Bob Bennett.

10. Update from WisDOT on Hwy 26 South Project:

Dave Eisentraut with Strand Associates provided the committee with an update on the Highway 26 South project. He distributed a project map to the committee. They anticipate the bike trail being paved by September of 2014. The current area of trail that is closed will most likely be opened in March of 2014. Eisentraut reviewed the map and project with the committee.

11. Discussion on Real Estate Adjacent to Korth County Park – Hope Oostdik:

Hope Oostdik, Town of Lake Mills Chairperson, addressed the committee with her concern that the Parks Department and the Town of Lake Mills not miss an opportunity to preserve the Hughes property. This property is currently for sale adjacent to Korth

Park. Hal Koenig and Margaret Burlingham toured the property; their opinion was that the house could not be used as is for a public building. Oostdik would like to see a partnership on the property. Discussion followed. Oostdik will keep the committee informed.

12. Discussion and Possible Decision on Revision of Dog Park Rules:

Nehmer stated that the Parks Department has visited with the Sherriff and they are fine with the dog park being open extended hours. Once the changes are posted at the park, they will begin enforcement.

13. Discussion and Possible Decision on Renewal of 15 Year Land Use Agreement, Rome Pond:

The Parks Department leases Rome Pond County Park from the Wisconsin DNR. Our lease agreement is expiring. A resolution will need to go to the County Board for approval.

**A motion was made by Augie Tietz, seconded by Mike Kelly, for the Jefferson County Parks Department to continue leasing Rome Pond County Park from the Wisconsin DNR. Motion approved.**

Ristow and Nehmer will forward the resolution to the County Board for their approval.

14. Discussion and Possible Decision on Fat Tire Bikes in Jefferson County Parks:

Kevin Wiesmann, Operations Supervisor, received an email from 2 Rivers Bicycle and Outdoor asking permission to use fat tire bikes at Dorothy Carnes Park. Upon reviewing the Parks Ordinance, use of this kind is not addressed. Therefore, it is before the committee today. Wiesmann stated that there has been a 300% increase recently in the use of fat tire bikes. It seems like it would be a compatible use within our parks system. Discussion occurred. The committee asked park staff to bring back additional information as well as a policy recommendation at the next meeting.

15. Update on 2013 Parks Department Budget:

Nehmer reviewed the status of the 2013 budget. Everything looks good at this point

16. Update on Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) Project:

Nehmer asked members to review the "Highlights of GHA Accomplishments" that was included in their agenda packet. It is an impressive list of accomplishments. Nehmer also shared comments that were made by David Birch, Waukesha County, regarding our TAP grant application for the Interurban Bike Trail; your application could be denied if the Regional Planning Commission doesn't approve of the project. Jefferson County needs to further explore their participation in a regional planning commission. John Molinaro has made contact with Tammy Baldwin's office for her support of our two TAP grant applications.

17. Update on the Proposed Crawfish River Park:

The Friends of the Crawfish River Park donated \$56,000 to purchase the property. The offer to purchase agreement has been mailed to WisDOT.

18. Set Tentative Meeting Dates/Times for Next Meeting: February 3, 2014 at 1 p.m. Glen Borland will be absent. Augie Tietz will chair the February meeting.

19. Adjourn:

**Motion was made by Tietz, seconded by Morse, to adjourn the meeting at 3:02 p.m. Motion carried, 4-0.**

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## Crawfish River Park meets goal

By Pam Chickering Wilson, Daily Union staff writer | Posted: Monday, January 6, 2014  
10:00 am

JEFFERSON — A new rustic park along the Crawfish River is in the works now that local residents raised \$56,000 to meet a state-imposed deadline.

The opportunity opened up for the establishing a new county park after the State Highway 26 bypass isolated 17 acres of land along the west bank of the Crawfish River, where Voeltz Implements once stood just west of Jefferson.

After the bypass was completed and the new Glacial River Trail from Jefferson to Fort Atkinson was added right along this piece of property, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation gave Jefferson County the first option to purchase the potential parkland.

Earlier this year, the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors approved the purchase on a preliminary basis, but did not set aside any funds for the property. The county board stipulated that the purchase only could be finalized if community donors came up with the state's asking price of \$56,000 by Tuesday, Dec. 31.

It came right down to the wire, but donors did present the county with the full \$56,000 on New Year's Eve.

Had this not happened, the state would have opened up the property for purchase by members of the public and the land could have passed into private hands, eliminating a unique natural resource, said Andy Didion, who heads up the Friends of Crawfish Park group with Steve Lewis.

An adjacent neighbor had expressed interest in a portion of the land, should it become available.

Currently, Jefferson County corporation counsel Phil Ristow is working with the DOT to finalize the county's purchase of the land. The actual transfer of the property from the state to the county is expected to occur early this year.

With numerous substantial donations already secured and several more in the pipeline, but still pending through various funding mechanisms, the Didion Family Foundation stepped in to close the gap so this opportunity did not pass by the county.

"We had a number of donations still coming in at the end of the year," said Didion.

"Our family foundation basically put up the money to make sure we didn't miss that deadline while those donations are still coming in," Didion said. "I'm hearing a lot of positive feedback around the community. There are going to be other donations still coming in, and there also are

opportunities to apply for grants to round out the initial purchase price and to pursue projects in the park.”

When the purchase opportunity arose earlier this year, the Friends group, made up of local businesspeople, community advocates, nature lovers and other supporters, took on the full responsibility of fundraising for this park. Meanwhile, numerous other local groups have pledged ongoing support and assistance in maintaining the park into the future.

For example, the Jefferson Rotary Club, which picks up litter along the adjacent bike trail in cooperation with the Fort Atkinson Rotary Club, has signed on to assist, as has the Jefferson Lions Club.

The Jefferson County Master Gardeners group has offered its help doing native plantings at the new park, while 2 Rivers Bicycle and Outdoor has offered assistance in trail development. The Jefferson High School agriculture program has expressed interest in doing projects on site, and the high school administration sees the potential park as a location for potential service projects in the future.

The Jefferson Chapter of Ducks Unlimited has promised to provide wood duck boxes on site, and the Glacier Heritage Trail Paddlers organization has pledged to install a canoe and kayak landing area. The Rock River Trail Initiative has volunteered to assist through consulting.

County planners and Friends organizers aim to see the park preserved as a rustic area (without buildings) and used as a educational and recreational area for the local community and visitors to the area.

Didion said that the new park undoubtedly will prove a wonderful natural resource for the Jefferson schools, three of which are located within walking distance (the high school, middle school and West Elementary School).

The park includes a variety of different environments, with lowlands and highlands, wetlands, a raised path, old growth trees, two ponds and meadows. There already are trails on the property.

Some of the property floods during the spring, which brings with it an interesting ecosystem, but also would require some maintenance to make sure the trails stay clear.

Didion said that backers are looking to enhance wildlife habitat and viewing in the area and to create a picnic and overlook area that ties into the Glacial River Trail.

Now that the park is poised to become a reality, there are lot of opportunities for community projects there, Didion said, such as eliminating buckthorn and other invasive “weed” plants, improving habitat, repairing the existing fishing platform, saving and planting native trees, and providing more low-impact recreational opportunities.

With substantial community support in terms of volunteer maintenance and improvements, the cost to the county of operating this park will be minimal, Didion said.

“There are lots of people who are willing to help out, but what the Friends groups do would be directed by the county Parks Department,” Didion said.

He said that the proposed park already is seeing a lot of use, as local people discover the trails, launch their canoes from the property and scope out the wildlife.

Moving forward, Didion said, members of the Friends are eager to meet with the county parks officials to assist in creating a plan for the new park.

“It will take a lot of maintenance and cleanup, but fortunately we have community groups already willing to do that in order to make it a more family-friendly area,” Didion said. “Right now, there’s a lot of ‘stuff’ in there that can be cleaned up, and it’s going to need regular maintenance because it floods.

“There’s an issue with invasive species, but the Master Gardeners have stepped forward to help eradicate that, and there’s work to do in terms of trail development,” Didion said.

Other plans include setting up a safe area for kayak and canoe launching, building on the existing fishing platform, and moving in picnic tables.

There is no date set for a meeting with the county at this time, but it’s in the works, Didion said.

In the future, the Friends of the Jefferson County Parks also hopes to get together a full and complete list of people who contributed to the fundraising projects in order that all donors will receive the recognition they deserve. That list is expected to be published in the Daily Union sometime in the next few months.

“Some people brought their donations directly to the bank; some mailed them in or dropped them off at the county parks office,” Didion said. “I know of a couple of people who gave through ‘donor advise’ funds, and those donations are still pending. We’d hate to miss anybody.” He said there are even people who upped their initial donation once the deadline drew near in order to make certain that this park came to pass.

Joe Nehmer, Jefferson County parks director, said that he was delighted at the support the new park has generated, calling it a really great addition to the county parks system.

Located so close to the City of Jefferson, the park promises to connect lots of local people to the natural world, providing fishing, natural education, trails, canoeing and kayaking, and native plantings.

Just because the deadline has been met doesn't mean there is no more time to donate, Didion noted. A fund has been set up for the purchase of the park and for ongoing county park needs through the Jefferson Community Foundation.

In fact, people who might have held back from donating because they didn't think the park had a great chance of becoming a reality might now wish to step forward to help make a secured county resource even better, Didion said.

For more information, people may visit the fundraising website at [crawfishriverpark.com](http://crawfishriverpark.com). People also may contact Lewis or Nehmer with questions. Lewis is reachable by phone at (920) 674-9000 and by email at [slewis@jeffersonabc.com](mailto:slewis@jeffersonabc.com) and Nehmer is reachable by phone at his county office at (920) 674-7260.

To contribute, people may write out checks to the Friends of Jefferson County Parks. Money may be earmarked for the Crawfish River Park campaign.

Donations can be sent to the Jefferson Community Foundation, Friends of Jefferson County Parks c/o Crawfish River Park, P.O. Box 81, Jefferson WI 53549.

If people wish, they may send funds for the Crawfish River Park campaign directly to the Parks Department office at the Jefferson County Courthouse at: Jefferson County Parks Department, room 204, Jefferson County Courthouse, 311 S. Center, Jefferson, WI, 53549.

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**CHILLY DAYS** — Although it's not quite a "polar vortex," the arctic weather has returned to southern Wisconsin, bringing with it temperatures that hover around the zero mark. Shown above is a scene of Rose Lake at Dorothy Carnes County Park, located just west of Fort Atkinson, during a winter that already feels as though it has gone on too long. — Photo by Natalee Kittelson of Johnson Creek.

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**TRAIL RIDER** — A new sculpture designed by Fort Atkinson native Brady Lueck helps identify the Glacial River Trail at the connecting point between the Jefferson County and City of Fort Atkinson portions of the trail at Farmco Lane. The metal sculpture was

donated by the David Roahen family. Titled "Ride like the Wind," it depicts Marcie Roahen, who died from cancer in October 2012, riding her bike. Pictured above, artist Brady Lueck, left, stands before his latest addition to the Glacial River Trail with Marcie Ro-

ahen's good friend, Jeannie Adams, and David Roahen. Related photos appear on page 16. View all photos at [www.dailyunion.com](http://www.dailyunion.com). — Daily Union photo by Ryan Whisner.

## Lueck creates 'Ride Like the Wind'

# Roahens commission sculpture for Fort bike trail

By Ryan Whisner  
Union regional editor

As a thank-you to the City of Fort Atkinson and Jefferson County's continued support of bicycling, the Roahen family has contributed a sculpture for the Glacial River Trail.

Titled "Ride like the Wind," the sculpture located at the end of Farmco Lane in Fort Atkinson where the county and city portions of the trail meet, depicts the late Marcie Roahen riding like the wind down the trail, as she often did.

It was designed by Fort Atkinson native and metal sculpture artist Brady Lueck.

Marcie Roahen died on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2012, 11 months after being diagnosed with gallbladder cancer.

Born in Watertown, the former Marcie Wood lived in Fort Atkinson her entire life, 42 of those years with her husband, David "Bud" Roahen. The couple raised two daughters, Sara and Stephanie.

Her obituary stated that Marcie, 62, sometimes seemed to live as if life were a race.

"Cancer took her life, but never touched her spirit," David said.

He pointed out that "ride like the wind" was one



of her favorite sayings.

Before her death, the Roahen family decided to put something along the Glacial River Trail. David noted that Marcie was adamant that she didn't want anything that was "in memory" of her.

Rather than a memorial, the family collectively donated the piece of art for the trail.

While the Glacial River Trail extends through Jefferson County from the Reek County border to Dodge County, the section that passes through Fort Atkinson has taken on its own life as a cultural and artistic venue.

A variety of sculptures depicting children are featured along the trail and there is a memorial kiosk in Lions Park recognizing the 1976 journey of Erwin "Gus" Klatl and Pat Abendroth as they drove Wisconsin's entry in the Bicentennial Wagon Train that converged at Valley Forge, Penn., on Independence Day 1976.

"Ride like the Wind" is the latest addition to these pieces, bookending the Fort Atkinson trail with sculptures by Lueck.

"We think it's fantastic that the Roahen family decided to place this beautiful work of art on the Glacial River Trail," Jefferson County Parks Department director Joe Nehmer said.

Based on its placement, Nehmer, a longtime friend of the Roahens, asked whether David would be OK with making the piece the actual sign for the trail. Previously, a wooden sign identifying the Glacial River Trail had been in the vicinity.

"It's magical; it really is," Nehmer said of the  
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# Sculpture

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sculpture, which features the trail name on its base. "Art really helps to tell the story."

Six different locations were provided by the Jefferson County and City of Fort Atkinson officials. Everyone involved, including Nehmer, Lueck and assistant city engineer Rudy Bushcott, had a personal connection to the Roehen family.

Ultimately, Marcie selected the final site at the end of Farmco Lane on Fort Atkinson's south side.

The location had special meaning for Marcie as it was where she used to meet her friend, Jeannie Adams, regularly to go on rides, runs and training for a triathlon.

Marcie rode hundreds of thousands of miles with Adams.

"We had route after route," Adams said. "There isn't one millimeter of country road that doesn't remind me of her."

Adams lives near St. Joseph's Catholic School and the Roehens reside on the other side of Fort Atkinson.

"The year we trained for a triathlon, we would meet here and ride out to Vickerman Road and points beyond and then come back, lock up the bikes and run down the trail," she said.

Adams recalled that she had a light on her bike and when it was really early in the morning, Marcie could see her coming bumping down Hackbarth Road.

"This was actually our meeting- and parting-ways point very often," she said of the site. "She picked the place and asked me if I would be OK that it was here and, of course, I'm honored it is here. It is just exquisite."

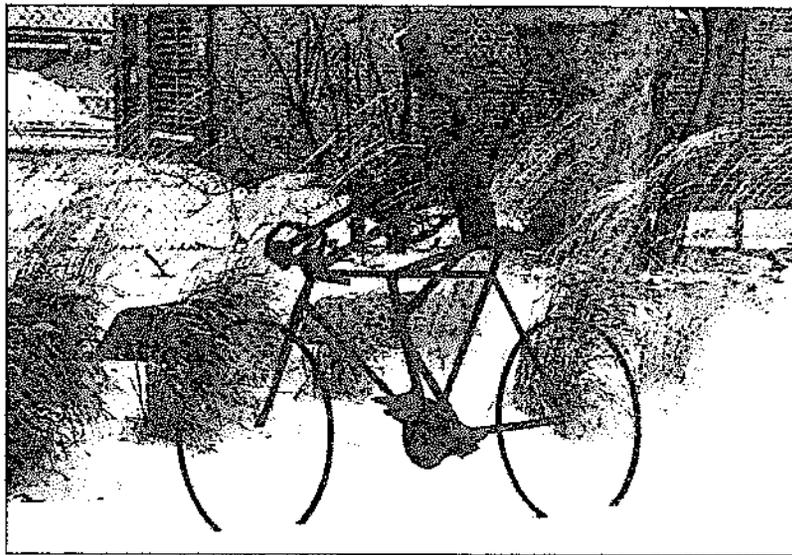
According to David, Marcie was most at peace on her bike. He said riding 60 miles was a "normal" ride for her.

"That was her comfort zone," he said. "If she could have biked every day of her life, that would have been just fine with her."

For the sculpture itself, David went to Lueck, who had been in his daughter, Sarah's, 1989 Fort Atkinson High School class.

A Fort Atkinson native, Lueck, who now lives in Burlington, is recognized for other local pieces along the Glacial River Trail.

Nine years ago, he was commissioned to complete the archway near the municipal parking lot off West Sherman Avenue. Lueck has created projects for



**LUECK SCULPTURES** — To give something back to the City of Fort Atkinson and Jefferson County for ongoing contributions to the biking community, the David Roehen family has donated a sculpture along the Glacial River Trail on the south side of Fort Atkinson. Titled "Ride like the Wind," it depicts Marcie Roehen, who died in October 2012 from cancer, riding her bike with her hair streaming behind her. It is the third piece of art along the trail by Fort Atkinson native Brady Lueck. The first was the archway along West Sherman Avenue that serves as an entrance to the trail. Pictured above is a second piece by Lueck, a memorial to the late Don Bakker titled "Love to Ride." Bakker was one of the founders of the Tour de Fort bicycle club. At right is "Ride like the Wind" located at Farmco Lane where the county and city portions of the trail meet. A related photo and story appear on page 1 — Daily Union photos by Ryan Wisner.



buyers across the state and the region, in a vast range of sizes and a price range from \$600 to \$40,000, but pure serendipity led to the first commission in his hometown.

Lueck's mother, Betty, had retired a few years prior as high school attendance secretary and was working short-term in the Fort Atkinson city offices when she learned the Parks and Recreation Department was looking for metal artist to create an archway near the trailhead.

When approached about the archway, Lueck said he wanted to be able to give something back to the community in which he grew up and this offered a great opportunity to do that.

The archway has become the focal point of the trail, which within the city limits runs 2.2 miles along the abandoned railroad bed from just north of Madison Avenue to Farmco Lane on the city's south side.

Lueck has described the archway as being more structural than artistic, but it has elements of art with the welded archway depicting a bicycle in some grasses. He still credits his junior high school art teacher, Roy Purdy, and his high school art teacher, Bob Hase, with giving him a set-

id base in the fundamentals of art.

Lueck said he was inspired to be a sculptural steel artist while living in Thailand and working for a company that sold equipment and set up technical colleges in the developing world. Overseeing the installation of equipment on a site, Lueck was exposed to state-of-the-art welding lab. Inspired by the techniques used there, he decided he would like to put those techniques to use in his art.

"I didn't start making metal art right way," he said. "Instead, I invested the time and got the training."

His work is both contemporary and representational. If you stood two of his pieces next to each other, he said you wouldn't necessarily know the same person made both.

That diversity is evident even in his work along the Glacial River Trail.

In addition to the trailhead arch, Lueck also was commissioned for a memorial recognizing Don Bakker, one of the founders of the Tour de Fort bicycle club and for whom the Tour de Fort Don Bakker Memorial Metric Century bike ride later was named.

Bakker died in 1994 at age 56. The memorial piece shows a rider on a bicycle located near the trail's intersection with Rockwell Avenue. It is titled "Love to Ride."

Thus, "Ride like the Wind" is Lueck's third piece on the trail.

"For me, it is just a great feeling from the start of this project because I knew his daughter and he knew my father," Lueck said of working on "Ride like the Wind."

He recalled a time as a youth when, dressed as a ninja, he and a friend "attacked" Roehen's daughters one Halloween.

"It's just been a real treat to work with him and the family," the artist said. "To be able to be part of this project has been great."

Lueck said Roehen came to him with the concept of what he wanted.

"Sometimes when I sit down I have a concept in my head that I can't just download into my client's head," he said. "I make it but I don't make it without patrons. This is truly a joint venture."

He acknowledged that budget

really defines what can be accomplished.

"I pride myself on being able to fit sculpture into any budget," he said. "My goal is to always under-promise and over-deliver. I want people to realize that art and sculpture are attainable at any price."

After doing a drawing of the proposed sculpture, Lueck completed a maquette or a scale model of the sculpture so he could understand how he was going to build it and so Roehen could see how it was going to look. Roehen now has that piece at home.

Lueck worked off a photo of Marcie on her bike. He also borrowed her bike and shoes to get the right size and dimensions of the silhouette.

"That is her foot size and that is her bike sealed with a little artistic license," he said. "It is basically the dimensions of her physical bike, using that to give her connection to the project."

In "Ride like the Wind," Lueck sought to use more suggestive negative spaces in the sculpture. Each piece of hair flowing back from the rider was a reflection of

"People want the muse groups and the bone structure and the face," he said. "This was the result of me trying to create that full-scale human figure without having to put all the details in. I don't think its real necessary, you really capture the spirit of a moving bicyclist without having the thigh muscles and the biceps."

Lueck acknowledged that might be a bit contemporary for some people's taste, but said it feels it is descriptive of what going on at the trail.

"This is a connection to someone's loved one," the artist said. "I take my work really serious. When it comes to a memorial, I even that more focused to make sure it's just right."

He said what motivates him for a piece such as the trail sign commissioned by the Roehen family is that years from now, the sculpture will remain and put a smile on someone's face.

"It will be there for other people to enjoy," Lueck said. "It's legacy piece, Marcie's legacy, much as ours. It's one of the things where I want to tell people that she is here, too."

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## Outboarders' donation

The Watertown Outboarders have donated \$25,000 to the Jefferson County Parks Department for a handicapped pier and other improvements for Rock River Park. Shown above, from left, are Jefferson County Parks Department Director Joe Nehmer, Connie Stangler of the Watertown Outboarders and the Jefferson County Park Committee's Augie Tietz. This is one of a number of donations the Watertown Outboarders are making with the funds it received from the sale of their property to the Wisconsin DNR and Jefferson County.

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Rock River Park

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### Jefferson Community Foundation Raising Funds for a New Park

The Jefferson Community Foundation is taking the lead to raise funds for the purchase of a new Jefferson County park located along the Crawfish River just west of the City of Jefferson. The land for sale is near the Glacial River Trail, so it will be a beautiful rest stop for bikers. The park will also provide a paddle launch put in/take out site as well as great picnicking and hiking alongside the River. Want to help out? Donations of any amount are welcome.

Please make your donation out to Jefferson Community Foundation and write Crawfish River Park Fund in the memo area. The mailing address is P.O. Box 81, Jefferson, WI 53549.

# Discover the Outdoors at the Glacial Heritage Area Winter Fair

By Clare Carlson, Friends of Glacial Heritage Area Board Representative



The Friends of Glacial Heritage Area are hosting the first Glacial Heritage Area Winter Fair on Saturday, February 8 at the newly-opened Waterloo Regional Trailhead Facility, 760 McKay Way in Waterloo. The Winter Fair focuses on nature and recreation in the Glacial Heritage Area (GHA), the network of trails and water trails linking together wildlife areas, parks and communities in greater Jefferson County. All are welcome, and reservations are not necessary. Please visit [glacialheritagearea.org](http://glacialheritagearea.org) for an event flyer.

## Wildlife in Winter - Animal Tracking

The morning will start with free muffins, donuts and beverages served at 9 a.m., followed by a children's program at 9:15 a.m. by UW-Whitewater Professor George Clokey. Children will see animal tracks and skull exhibits, as well as have an opportunity to cast their own wolf track. "Identifying animal tracks is an especially relevant skill this winter with the consistent snow cover we've had in our region," remarked Professor Clokey. "Learning animal track identification is also a great way to get families outdoors together and to get children thinking about wildlife in the winter."

This knowledge also helps people who want to know what kind of resources to put out for wildlife that is already being attracted to their backyards.

## Cross-Country Ski Clinic

At 10 a.m., 2 Rivers Bicycle and Outdoor of Watertown and Fort Atkinson will run a free cross-country ski clinic and winter "fatbike" demonstration on the trail behind the Facility. If you have skis and poles, please bring them.

After the demonstration, ski on the Facility trail, or check out the trail at Garman Nature Preserve, less than half a mile away. Jefferson County Parks Department will have both trails groomed for skiing and snowshoeing all day.

## Artist Exhibit

Also at 10 a.m., local Artist Amy E. Arntson will display and answer questions related to her watercolor

paintings of wave patterns in water. Inspired by light and movement, her paintings at one moment look photo-realistic and in the next expressionistic. Arntson is a renowned artist from Lake Mills, displaying works in public collections throughout the region and has exhibited throughout the world.

## Faville Grove Highlighted

At 11 a.m., Matt Weber, Faville Grove Sanctuary Land Steward,



*Skiing at the Garman Preserve: enjoy this and many more activities in the Glacial Heritage Area.*

*Photo by Margaret Burlington*

will share the history and public use opportunities at Faville Grove Sanctuary. This 605-acre Sanctuary, located near Lake Mills, seeks to protect and expand upon Faville Prairie State Natural Area, the world's first publicly-protected prairie saved by the efforts of Aldo Leopold in the 1940s. Today, it is home to rare plant species and a large variety of grassland and wetland birds.

The Friends of Glacial Heritage Area organize hikes, paddling trips, bird-watching excursions, bike rides, picnics, habitat restoration work days, and other events throughout the year to get people interested in trails, recreation and wildlife.

Visit [glacialheritagearea.org](http://glacialheritagearea.org) for upcoming events or contact [friendsofgha@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofgha@gmail.com) to join the GHA mailing list.

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# GHA WINTER FAIR



Saturday, February 8, 2014

WATERLOO REGIONAL TRAILHEAD FACILITY  
760 McKay Way, Waterloo, WI 53594

ALL WELCOME, ALL EVENTS FREE

9:00 A.M.

**MUFFINS, DONUTS & BEVERAGES**

DONATED BY LANNOY'S PIGGLY WIGGLY, WATERLOO

ALL DAY

**CROSS-COUNTRY SKI (CLASSIC) OR SNOWSHOE**

**GARMAN NATURE PRESERVE & TRAILHEAD FACILITY TRAILS**

GROOMED BY JEFFERSON COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT

9:15 A.M.

**WOLF TRACK CASTING, ANIMAL TRACK & SKULL IDENTIFICATION  
ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

PROFESSOR GEORGE CLOKEY, UW-WHITEWATER

10:00 A.M.

**CROSS-COUNTRY SKI CLINIC & FAT BIKE DEMO ON FACILITY TRAIL**

DEB VOMHOF, 2RIVERS BICYCLE & OUTDOOR

*Bring your own classic skis, or call ahead to rent from 2 Rivers in Watertown (920-261-4400) or Fort Atkinson (920-563-2222). Pick up rentals on your way to the event.*

10:00 A.M.

**ART IN THE GHA: PATTERNS IN WATER**

AMY E. ARNTSON, LAKE MILLS

11:00 A.M.

**FAVILLE GROVE SANCTUARY HISTORY & PUBLIC USE OPPORTUNITIES**

MATT WEBER, FAVILLE GROVE STEWARD, MADISON AUDUBON SOCIETY

For more information, contact [friendsofgha@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofgha@gmail.com) or visit [glacialheritagearea.org](http://glacialheritagearea.org).



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# Jane Stanger

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**From:** Kevin Wiesmann  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 21, 2014 10:29 AM  
**To:** Joe Nehmer; Kim Buchholz - Parks; Jane Stanger; Kim Buchholz - EM  
**Cc:** Kevin Wiesmann  
**Subject:** Parks Video's On Youtube

I thought you would enjoy some of these video's I found on our parks on Youtube. Maybe we can make links from the video's to our webpage?

Carnes Park (20 Min) Check out around 14 minutes and forward, the melding logo.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBEC3ao5AZU>

Rose Lake

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yFFaKRiSSwk>

Dorothy Dash

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ymEeCXhJgw>

Mason Jar jamboree 2013

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5l4Zdb\\_ekA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5l4Zdb_ekA)

Mason Jar Jamboree

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocApBmwruUE>

Indian Mounds County Park

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9DoS1rzkuCM>

Watertrails

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hswGK\\_Ce\\_BQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hswGK_Ce_BQ)

Terri Tinsley Dog Ex

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qzADWoeKOAM>

Terri Tinsley Dog Ex Opening

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4lkOrhIGddc>

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

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.**

Committee: Glen Borland-Chairman, Paul Babcock, Rick Kuhlman, Steve Nass, Augie Tietz

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Glen Borland, Chairman at 1p.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee members present included: Borland, Babcock, Kuhlman, Tietz. Others present: Nehmer, Stanger, Ristow, Wiesmann, Buchholz, Molinaro, Roou, Haugom.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law – In Compliance

4. Review of the Agenda – Approved

5. Approval of July 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes.

**Motion to approve the August 1, 2011 meeting minutes, Tietz/Babcock, carried 4-0.**

6. Public Comment

There were many individuals present for public comment. The majority of the comments were from individuals regarding the installation of a parking lot at N327 Oxbow Bend, a flood mitigation property that is owned by the County. The majority of attendees were property owners in the neighborhood who were opposed to the project. There were a few in attendance that were in favor of the project that also spoke.

Representatives from the Jefferson County Snowmobile Alliance were also present. Jeff Draeger spoke on behalf of the alliance stating that they are opposed to the County charging an administrative fee to the program. He distributed snowmobile facts and information to the committee.

Attached are the sign-in sheets for the meeting. There were many more individuals present and that spoke than signed the sheet.

7. Discussion and possible decision on department charging administrative fees to the Snowmobile Program Grant

Jeff Draeger and Jeff Ziebel spoke that the Snowmobile Alliance is opposed to the administrative fee. A packet of information on snowmobile facts and figures was distributed to the committee. Buchholz explained that the Parks Department was proposing that the County charge the grant an administrative fee that is no more than 5% of the grant or \$2,275. Discussion occurred.

**Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Nass to charge an administrative fee to the snowmobile grant for actual costs not to exceed 5% of the grant. Roll call vote was taken; Babcock-yes; Tietz-yes; Nass-yes; Kuhlman-yes; Borland-yes. Motion passed, 5-0.**

8. Discussion and possible decision on raising rental rates at community gardens in the Jefferson County Parks system – Josie Gobel

Josie recommended to the committee that the garden rental rates at Hearty Gardens, the community gardens located at Carnes Park East, be increased to \$12.50 from \$10 for the smaller plot and \$25 from \$15 for the larger plot. Discussion occurred.

**Motion made by Nass, seconded by Tietz, to raise the rates as suggested by Josie at Hearty Gardens only.**

9. Discussion and possible decision on John Rinehart proposal to use flood mitigation property located on N327 Oxbow Bend for parking lot/fishing access to Lake Koshkonong

John Rinehart addressed the committee with his proposal. He distributed the information that is attached. He reviewed his proposal to install a 28 car parking lot on N327 Oxbow Bend for fishing access to Lake Koshkonong. The parking lot would meet regulations for the 75' setback. The estimate he received would cost around \$15,000. John suggested that if the parking lot was installed, that the county consider charging a fee of \$5 to cover the costs of maintenance. Rinehart also gave the committee a petition signed by 473 people in favor of the project. Discussion occurred. (Note: a petition from the local property owners was also given to the committee earlier with 93% opposed to the project.)

Haugom commented that the intent for the property upon acquisition is for the property to return to its natural state. She has discussed the proposal with Roxanne Gray of the State and the state has determined that this project would be an acceptable use of the property under the grant guidelines.

Nehmer distributed pictures of N327 and the town's current public access site to the committee. He also distributed and reviewed a sheet on the "Criteria to Consider for Public Water Access" to the committee. Buchholz explained that the department had conducted its own survey of local property owners according to the Zoning Departments policy for residential rezoning and conditional use permit. A survey was sent to all property owners within 500 feet of the property. 25 surveys were distributed that included the Town of Koshkonong and Rock-Koshkonong Lake District. The department received 27 surveys back; all surveys received were opposed to the project. Discussion occurred.

**Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Babcock, to not open this property up to public access by installing a parking lot. Roll call vote was taken; Babcock-yes; Tietz-yes; Nass-yes; Kuhlman-yes; Borland-yes. Motion passed, 5-0.**

A short break was taken after this agenda item where most of the individuals in attendance from the public left the meeting.

10. Discussion and possible decision on method to vary hours of operation within the Parks system

Nehmer stated that current policy is to give the authority to the Parks Director for uses outside the current policy yet in line with the departmental mission. We request to change the ordinance to have it be formally addressed. Nehmer explained that the majority of the requests are for special events such as star gazing, Moonlight Dog walk, candlelight cross-county skiing.

**Motion made by Nass, seconded by Tietz, to empower the Parks Director the ability to extend the hours of use for special parks purposes for uses that are consistent with the departmental mission and park use. Motion approved, 5-0.**

11. Discussion and possible decision on request to use a 22 blank launcher to launch dummies at the Jefferson County Dog Park

Nehmer stated that the department has received a request from an individual to use a 22 blank launcher to launch dummies to his dog at the Jefferson County Dog Park. Discussion occurred.

**Motion made by Nass, seconded by Babcock, to deny the request to use a 22 blank launcher to launch dummies at the dog park. Motion approved, 5-0.**

The committee wishes the department to continue to look at other properties such as the new shooting range being purchased by the Sheriff's Department for activities/request such as this. Buchholz stated that the department continues to receive numerous requests for events/training. The department will continue to investigate opportunities.

12. Discussion and possible decision on use of motorized vehicles off the road-way for handicap hunting

Nehmer stated that with a handicap hunting opportunity being provided on the new Kemmeter property, the committee needs to discuss the use of motorized vehicles off the road-way for that specific hunt. Currently, the Parks Ordinance prohibits the use of motorized vehicles within the park. Wiesmann explained that our hunt would be for Class A handicapped individuals. Ristow stated that there needs to be a review of the rules, limitations, etc. Discussion occurred.

**Motion made by Nass, seconded by Kuhlman, to approve the use of motorized vehicles off the road-way for the portion of Dorothy Carnes Park formerly known as the Kemmeter property with the exact details of allowable vehicles, etc. to be worked out per staff. Motion approved, 5-0.**

13. Discussion and possible decision on 2012 Parks Department budget

Nehmer reviewed the 2012 proposed budget with the committee. He stated that if no money was utilized from the Carol Liddle fund to reroof the barn, the department would be \$20 over the 2011 budget. The current Carol Liddle fund is \$112,133 of which \$25,000 is spoken for a project at Garman and then the barn roof at Carnes. Discussion occurred.

Committee recommended that no money be used from the Carol Liddle fund. Nehmer to take the request to finance committee.

#### 14. Rock River Trail Initiative Update

Nehmer reported that he has received an email from Greg Farnham that every unit of government that he has spoken with has been in support of the initiative. Nehmer will continue to update the committee on the progress.

#### 15. Mason Farm Implementation Update

Wiesmann stated that the staff has continued their work on the farmstead buildings at Carnes Park East. Pictures of the progress were distributed. Wiesmann has received an asbestos removal quote for the house. The two campsites have been graded. Wiesmann will keep the committee posted on the progress.

#### 16. Discussion and possible decision on Glacial Heritage Area

- a. Memorandum of Understanding: Ristow gave an update of where we are at. Recommended waiting until after the budget season is behind us to take the agreement to county board.
- b. Recreational Map: Buchholz is working with a sub-group to develop a recreational map for GHA.
- c. Website & Brochure: Mead and Hunt has volunteered their staff to develop a website as well as a brochure for GHA. They are both very close to being finished.
- d. Friends Group Establishment: Matt Carlson, an attorney from rural Cambridge, has volunteered to take the lead in establishing a friends group for the Glacial Heritage Area with the focus on fundraising.
- e. Quirk Foundation Grant: Tietz updated the committee that he has applied for a \$10,000 grant for GHA through the Quirk Foundation to support the brochure, interurban project, etc.

#### 17. Discussion and possible decision on bike system updates

- a. Highway 26 Bike Trail Opening
  - i. Committee members are invited to attend the grand opening celebration on Saturday, September 17 at 10 a.m. Borland and Molinaro will cut the ribbon.
- b. Interurban Line Update
  - i. Grant Application: The department in coordination with Steve Grabow and Josh Clements are working to submit a TIGER grant for the project.
  - ii. Interurban License Agreement: Yaggy-Colby has been hired to conduct the pre-engineering feasibility study for the project. Nehmer and Ristow gave a brief overview of the agreement. Currently, as the agreement stands, DNR does not agree with the wording but that would only be applicable if we applied for stewardship funding. Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Nass, that the department proceed with the license agreement without the stewardship agreement language. Motion approved, 5-0.

#### 18. Correspondence

- a. Wausau Daily Herald (Construction Begins on New River Trail) – article distributed

- b. Dog Dayz of Summer Event report – Buchholz reported that there were 150 dogs and 300 people at the event. Pictures of the event were distributed.
- c. Pictures of Cross-county meet at Carlin Weld – pictures distributed.
- d. Shelter rental summary/comparison: Stanger reported that we have 122 rentals as of 9/6/11.
- e. Dog tag update: Stanger reported that we have sold 1,163 tags as of 9/6/11.
- f. Wally Miller sign: Buchholz showed the committee the sign that was donated by the Wally Miller family that will be installed on the overlook deck at Carnes Park.

19. Set Tentative Meeting Date/Time for: Monday, October 3, 2011, 1:00pm – Room 202  
Babcock will be absent.

20. Adjourn

**Motion made by Kuhlman, seconded by Nass, to adjourn at 3:17 pm. Approved, 5-0.**

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Joe Nehmer

**From:** Housley, Cheryl - DNR <Cheryl.Housley@wisconsin.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:52 PM  
**To:** Hefty, Brian - DNR; Borsecnik, David A - DNR; Daggett, Ronald L - DNR; Phelan, Pamela K - DNR; Joe Nehmer; Augie Tietz; Kevin Wiesmann  
**Cc:** Matthews, Gregory K - DNR  
**Subject:** RE: Watertown Outboarders Property Meeting JAN. 16, 2014  
**Attachments:** Co\_WTOoperations\_mtg\_1\_2014\_minutes.docx

Hi All -

Thanks for your attendance at this meeting last week. Attached are the meeting notes with some action items.  
-Cheryl

 Cheryl Housley

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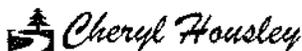
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**From:** Housley, Cheryl - DNR  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 16, 2014 8:54 AM  
**To:** Hefty, Brian - DNR; Borsecnik, David A - DNR; Joe Nehmer ([JoeN@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:JoeN@jeffersoncountywi.gov)); Augie Tietz ([AugieT@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:AugieT@jeffersoncountywi.gov)); Daggett, Ronald L - DNR; Phelan, Pamela K - DNR  
**Subject:** Watertown Outboarders Property Meeting JAN. 16, 2014

Hi All –attached is a general agenda for our meeting today.  
Thanks  
-Cheryl

 Cheryl Housley

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## Watertown Outboarder's Site Review and Future Operations Meeting, 1/16/2014 - Minutes

Attendees: Augie Tietz, Joe Nehmer, Kevin Wiesmann, Cheryl Housley, Pam Phelan, Brian Hefty, Dave Borsechnik, Ron Daggett.

### Background Discussion on the Property

- DNR purchased the property in November 2013 from the Watertown Outboarders Club (WTO) and leased it back to the WTO club for the short term.
- WTO Club lease runs thru June 30, 2014 and the club is occupying the building for some events in exchange for doing some site maintenance. A copy of the present lease between the club and the Department was provided to attendees. WTO club donated \$25K to the Department for an accessible pier and launch and Dave and Ron have been considering different pier plans and permitting for widening the entrance road. Action
- Joe indicated that WTO also donated funds to Jefferson County for a pier at the CTH B landing in Johnson Creek.
- Action-Ron and Joe will discuss the opportunity to jointly bid the development at the boat landings.
- Dave indicated WTO folks did an excellent job cleaning up the property prior to closing. Some remainder issues that Dave and Pam are working on include:
  - Abandoning some electrical service, demoing the 3 outhouses, demoing the low-roof shelter next to the clubhouse, and tire disposal.
- Pam indicated she received a call from an American Legion member in July 2013 who is interested in razing the clubhouse for the City of Watertown legion hall. Action - Augie requested the contact and will follow up with the gentleman about his idea of future use.

### Future Operations

- Sample Draft Easement agreements for a boat access facility managed by the Village of Shioclin were provided to all attendees at the meeting for review. The easement is a permanent right in title to the property. Cheryl also mentioned that the Department can also enter into a 5-15 year land use agreement for a partner to manage the site.
- Cheryl and Pam indicated that the DNR's site reclamation funds has a two year window in which site demo should take place. Once the lease ends on June 30, 2014 the two year window starts.
- Joe indicated that the County Parks Committee has not yet come to a consensus on how it would like to manage the WTO site and whether building would be an asset to be utilized for revenue generation. Several ideas that the CO Parks Committee have discussed included:
  - Canoe Camping site
  - Building use for
    - Event rental – weddings, reunions etc.
    - Public restrooms and concessions
    - Vendor/canoe or kayak rental and food drink
- Brian indicated that if the Department would continue to maintain the site, all buildings would be removed. However if the County wants maintenance and operations of the site County will need to assume the entire site, not just a partial operation, ie. for a canoe campsite, etc. Likewise, all liability and responsibility for the clubhouse/building(s) will be the County's, if it is not demoed in the two-year window. If the County has a viable use for the building in collaboration with site as utilizing it as a boat access site a proposal can be made and the DNR will review it for approval.
  - Joe, Dave, and Kevin cited several examples of concession type agreements/arrangements between the DNR or a County with a vendor for operation of facilities for food/bev., boat rental, reunions, etc.,

- Cheryl expressed concerns about the building being in the floodplain and it being an environmental nuisance. Ron also indicated that the holding tank would likely be an expense and a maintenance issue. He noted it is a 2,000 gallon tank.
- Dave mentioned razing the building and moving it easterly on the property out of the floodplain. Action - Joe indicated that this is an idea that he would discuss the Co. Parks Committee. Action – Pam is inquiring about using reclamation funds to move it as part of the demo process and will get back with Joe and Augie.
- Cheryl referenced the GHA Plan and the MOU umbrella for this partnership and confusion on how it applies to this property as a GHA- River Based Conservation Area and also how the MOU requirements for implementation plan.
  - Action – Pam will schedule a meeting with DNR planning and legal staff
  - Action – Joe and Augie will consult the County’s corp. counsel.
- Joe informed the group that WTO site operations and building use will be a topic on the next agenda of the Co Parks Committee Mtg. on February 3, 2014. Joe indicated that any attendees are welcome to attend this meeting.

Action - Joe will follow-up with DNR staff (Pam or Dave) once the County Parks Committee has come to a decision regarding the WTO site management and the future utility of the clubhouse/building.  
 Action - Also Pam, Joe and Dave can clarify any next steps per legal counsel review of the MOU and the River-Based Conservation Areas.

## Joe Nehmer

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**From:** Joe Nehmer  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2014 3:59 PM  
**To:** Phil Ristow; Bill And Laura (chlnrhue@hotmail.com)  
**Cc:** Kevin Wiesmann; Kim Buchholz - Parks  
**Subject:** FW: Dog park - licenses

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Please help!

**From:** Jane Stanger  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2014 3:31 PM  
**To:** Joe Nehmer  
**Subject:** FW: Dog park - licenses

As requested.

Jane Stanger  
Jefferson County Parks Department  
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Jefferson WI 53540  
920-674-7260

**From:** Rachel Fuhrman [<mailto:rachelb2k9s@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2014 2:32 PM  
**To:** Jane Stanger  
**Subject:** Dog park - licenses

Good morning,

I received your information from Alli Jerger (mom of Mori, Jasper and Matrix). She and I worked together at Best Paw Forward as trainers.

I had a question related to dog licensing for the park. A bit of explanation first:

I was an active member at the park last year with both of my dogs. We went at least weekly. Finding Jefferson Co dog park has been such a huge blessing. It allows both my dogs and I to get great exercise in a comfortable and safe area. I recently moved to the city of Muskego, and they are refusing to provide me with a dog license this year because they say it against the law to license without a Rabies. Normally, I would agree, however, one of my dogs Mr. Bentley, has a legal document, a medical waiver provided by a veterinarian waiving the Rabies vaccine. A Rabies vaccine is only to be administered to healthy dogs. Mr. B. has severe skin allergies for which he receives ongoing treatment and had a bout of pancreatitis last year which came close to killing him. He is currently "healthy" but the veterinarians are afraid to give him a rabies as they believe it could cause severe negative effects on his health - and he is only 5 years old. Below I have cited the Wisconsin Statute 95.21(9)(d) which states a municipality may waive the need for Rabies. Muskego is accepting the rabies waiver but will not license him.

A city, village, or town may exempt the owner of a dog from the requirement to have the dog vaccinated against rabies for a year based on a letter from a veterinarian stating that vaccination is inadvisable because of a reaction to a previous vaccination, a physical condition, or a regimen of therapy that the dog is undergoing. The city, village, or town shall require the owner to provide a new letter for each year in which the owner seeks an exemption under this paragraph.

[http://www.lawserver.com/law/state/wisconsin/wi-laws/wisconsin\\_laws\\_95-21](http://www.lawserver.com/law/state/wisconsin/wi-laws/wisconsin_laws_95-21)

<http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2005/related/lcactmemo/ab527.pdf>

I contact my Veterinarian and they believe that the rabies waiver should work for places like the dog park in lieu of a license. I wanted to check if this is accurate before trying to submit a copy of his rabies waiver. My other dog is vaccinated and licensed so that information would also be sent with the dog park tag forms/payment.

Thank you for your time and reading,

I am crossing my fingers that we can still visit your wonderful park!

Sincerely,

Rachel

Joe Nehmer

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**From:** Rachel Fuhrman <rachelb2k9s@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 31, 2014 10:00 AM  
**To:** Joe Nehmer  
**Subject:** Fw: rabies waiver from veterinarian  
**Attachments:** medical waiver.pdf

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Attached you will find the rabies waiver from the Veterinarian.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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**From:** Fuhrman, Rachel, VBAMIW <Rachel.Fuhrman@va.gov>;  
**To:** <rachelb2k9s@yahoo.com>;  
**Sent:** Fri, Jan 31, 2014 3:43:42 PM

*Rachel Fuhrman*

Assistant Coach- Imaging

Milwaukee PMC

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**RABIES VACCINE WAIVER**

This certifies that the pet **Mr. Bentley**,

**MN**, **4 years and 11 months old**, **Canine**

owned by Rachel Fuhrman, has a reaction or disease history which could lead to additional illness if his immune system is stimulated further by rabies vaccination. This owner has been informed of the legal requirements and ramifications. They are aware that in the event their pet should bite someone the pet will be considered unvaccinated and need to be quarantined in isolation. The owner(s) are willing to assume all liabilities associated with their decision to not update their pet with rabies vaccination. Therefore, I feel it is in their pet's best health interest to avoid rabies vaccination at this time.

*Dr. Jodie Gruenstern*

Dr. Jodie Gruenstern

Date: 06/04/2013

Reason for waiver

Severe Allergies

WI Stat 95.21 (9) (d)(d)

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#12

Jefferson County  
Parks Totals

Date Ran 1/27/2014  
Period 12  
Year 2013

Business Unit	Description	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Prorated Variance	Total Budget	Annual Remaining	Percentage Of Budget
1801 Parks	Revenue	(72,723.01)	(7,193.33)	(130,218.32)	(86,320.00)	(43,898.32)	(86,320.00)	43,898.32	150.86%
	Expenditures	102,614.37	86,081.90	981,424.56	1,032,982.83	(51,558.27)	1,032,982.83	51,558.27	95.01%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		<b>29,891.36</b>	<b>78,888.57</b>	<b>851,206.24</b>	<b>946,662.83</b>	<b>(95,456.59)</b>	<b>946,662.83</b>	<b>95,456.59</b>	<b>89.92%</b>
1806 Carol Liddle	Revenue	(6.44)	(16.67)	(86.55)	(200.00)	113.45	(200.00)	(113.45)	43.28%
	Expenditures	-	6,796.58	-	81,559.00	(81,559.00)	81,559.00	81,559.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		<b>(6.44)</b>	<b>6,779.92</b>	<b>(86.55)</b>	<b>81,359.00</b>	<b>(81,445.55)</b>	<b>81,359.00</b>	<b>81,445.55</b>	<b>-0.11%</b>
1809 Carlin Weld	Revenue	-	(8.33)	(26.13)	(100.00)	73.87	(100.00)	(73.87)	26.13%
	Expenditures	-	15.25	-	183.00	(183.00)	183.00	183.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>6.92</b>	<b>(26.13)</b>	<b>83.00</b>	<b>(109.13)</b>	<b>83.00</b>	<b>109.13</b>	<b>-31.48%</b>
1811 Korth Park	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>#DIV/0!</b>
1812 Carnes Park	Revenue	-	(1,938.00)	(71,682.12)	(23,256.00)	(48,426.12)	(23,256.00)	48,426.12	308.23%
	Expenditures	47.48	7,903.75	36,113.13	94,845.00	(58,731.87)	94,845.00	58,731.87	38.08%
	Other Finances	-	1,379.42	-	16,553.00	(16,553.00)	16,553.00	16,553.00	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		<b>47.48</b>	<b>7,345.17</b>	<b>(35,568.99)</b>	<b>88,142.00</b>	<b>(123,710.99)</b>	<b>88,142.00</b>	<b>123,710.99</b>	<b>-40.35%</b>
1813 Park Buildings	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	900.86	1,329.25	12,407.61	15,951.00	(3,543.39)	15,951.00	3,543.39	77.79%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		<b>900.86</b>	<b>1,329.25</b>	<b>12,407.61</b>	<b>15,951.00</b>	<b>(3,543.39)</b>	<b>15,951.00</b>	<b>3,543.39</b>	<b>77.79%</b>
1814 Garman Nature	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	-	12,686.27	-	12,686.27	-	(12,686.27)	#DIV/0!
	Other Finances	-	1,074.50	-	12,894.00	(12,894.00)	12,894.00	12,894.00	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>1,074.50</b>	<b>12,686.27</b>	<b>12,894.00</b>	<b>(207.73)</b>	<b>12,894.00</b>	<b>207.73</b>	<b>98.39%</b>
1816 Glacial Heritage	Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
	Expenditures	-	1,212.75	-	14,553.00	(14,553.00)	14,553.00	14,553.00	0.00%
	Other Finances	-	833.33	-	10,000.00	(10,000.00)	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00%

<b>Total</b>		-	2,046.08	-	24,553.00	(24,553.00)	24,553.00	24,553.00	0.00%
1821 Snowmobile Trails	Revenue	22,837.50	(3,806.25)	(44,067.35)	(45,675.00)	1,607.65	(45,675.00)	(1,607.65)	96.48%
	Expenditures	-	3,806.25	44,067.35	45,675.00	(1,607.65)	45,675.00	1,607.65	96.48%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		22,837.50	-	-	-	0.00	-	(0.00)	#DIV/0!
1824 Bike Trail	Revenue	(996.74)	(41.67)	(2,191.75)	(500.00)	(1,691.75)	(500.00)	1,691.75	438.35%
	Expenditures	-	41.67	4,620.21	500.00	4,120.21	500.00	(4,120.21)	924.04%
	Other Finances	-	175.00	-	2,100.00	(2,100.00)	2,100.00	2,100.00	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		(996.74)	175.00	2,428.46	2,100.00	328.46	2,100.00	(328.46)	115.64%
1826 Dog Park	Revenue	(1,621.56)	(2,720.08)	(37,830.83)	(32,641.00)	(5,189.83)	(32,641.00)	5,189.83	115.90%
	Expenditures	862.04	2,720.08	43,278.75	32,641.00	10,637.75	32,641.00	(10,637.75)	132.59%
	Other Finances	-	1,777.58	-	21,331.00	(21,331.00)	21,331.00	21,331.00	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		(759.52)	1,777.58	5,447.92	21,331.00	(15,883.08)	21,331.00	15,883.08	25.54%
1840 Groundskeeping	Revenue	-	(5,116.17)	(37,920.98)	(61,394.00)	23,473.02	(61,394.00)	(23,473.02)	61.77%
	Expenditures	2,662.82	5,121.90	40,744.66	61,462.75	(20,718.09)	61,462.75	20,718.09	66.29%
	Other Finances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
<b>Total</b>		2,662.82	5.73	2,823.68	68.75	2,754.93	68.75	(2,754.93)	4107.17%
Total All Business Units	Revenue	(52,510.25)	(20,840.50)	(324,024.03)	(250,086.00)	(73,938.03)	(250,086.00)	73,938.03	129.57%
	Expenditures	107,087.57	115,029.38	1,175,342.54	1,380,352.58	(205,010.04)	1,380,352.58	205,010.04	85.15%
	Other Finances	-	5,239.83	-	62,878.00	(62,878.00)	62,878.00	62,878.00	0.00%
<b>Grand Total Parks</b>		54,577.32	99,428.72	851,318.51	1,193,144.58	(341,826.07)	1,193,144.58	341,826.07	71.35%

## **Summary of Jan. 21, 2014 Glacial Heritage Area Implementation Team Meeting**

**Attendees:** Dana White Quam, DNR-Parks; Frankie Fuller, Friends Group; Steven Cline, Jefferson County Tourism Council; Kevin Wiesmann, Jefferson County Parks; Steve Grabow, UWEX Jefferson County; Augie Tietz, GHA-Trails; John Molinaro, Jefferson County Board; Joe Nehmer, Jefferson County Parks; Mike Kelly, Jefferson County Board; Paul Zajackowski, DNR-Parks; Gail McAskill, WEDC; and Greg Matthews, DNR (scribe)

### **Co-Chair Comments**

Joe Nehmer described the state of the GHA as “healthy and strong,” though he is concerned that there are county and state officials who aren’t aware of such. He noted that private sources raised \$56,000 towards purchasing river property with 2000 foot of frontage along the Crawfish River near Jefferson for development as a county park. He further acknowledged Watertown Outboarder’s \$25,000 donation for developing a handicap accessible pier and launch on the Rock River at their former property. Joe also noted that John Raub on behalf of the Jefferson County Bike Club had donated \$3000 for trail signs.

The GHA has the backing of area citizens, added Joe.

### **Friends of the GHA**

See attachment

### **Report from Subgroups**

#### **Education, Outreach, Communications & Economic Benefits**

Greg Matthews handed out a summary of the subgroup’s 2013 Work Plan (see attachment), itemizing accomplishments for the year.

Events slated for staffing in 2014 include the Friends of GHA Winter Fair (Feb. 8), Canoecopia (March 7-9), Milwaukee Sports Show (March 5-9), Bike & Hike with the Artists (date not set), and Jefferson County Fair (July 9-13). More events may be added. John Molinaro suggested that a GHA fact sheet be developed for use by folks staffing events.

Work is also progressing on revamping the GHA website and this should be completed sometime in February.

## **Trails**

Augie Tietz reported that the office of U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin is willing to help with obtaining grants for trail development and more should be heard from them by mid-February.

Joe Nehmer noted developing the Inter Urban Trail may not be as high a priority for Waukesha County and Oconomowoc as it is for Jefferson County. He said the County's application for a TAP (Transportation Alternatives Proposal) grant must go through both the southwest and southeast Wisconsin Department of Transportation offices and it may not rank high because Jefferson County is not a member of a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). In any case, since there must be an end point for a recreational trail, the Inter Urban Trail (end point) could possibly be the Waukesha/Jefferson County line rather than Oconomowoc.

Greg and Paul Zajackowski said they had met with Ken Carpenter of the Horse Trail Council last month. Ken showed them results from a survey that demonstrated support for more horse trails in Jefferson County. The three agreed all involved with horse trails should focus on siting them through areas identified in the GHA Master Plan rather than new corridors which would then necessitate trying to amend the Master Plan. Greg and Paul encouraged Ken to recruit an equestrian to attend GHA implementation Team meetings. An equestrian subgroup will not be formed until such time as a specific trail(s) has been proposed for development as identified in the Master Plan.

## **Holzhueter Conservation Park**

The DNR's John Pohlman continues working on the park's Master Plan. Paul Zajackowski noted that all buildings are gone and the well abandoned. John Molinaro encouraged DNR to continue its annual sharecropping agreement on part of the property. The group noted that there is an existing 3.2 mile trail system on the property and parking by trail users is a concern.

## **River Corridor**

The revised GHA Watertrails Map will be printed by mid-February, said Kevin Wiesmann. Ads are being solicited for the brochure.

Steve Grabow said that UW students are working on a Master Plan for the former Watertown Outboarders property and another 150 acre site.

## **WEDC Initiatives in the GHA**

Gail McAskill of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation is working on several initiatives in the GHA along with partners from the state Departments of Natural Resources, Health and Tourism. One program would encourage companies to follow

sustainable environmental practices in junction with DNR's Green Tier program. The state Department of Health would encourage participating firms to back healthy, outdoor practices, such as cycling to work, and Tourism would help with communication and WEDC would focus on economic benefits. There are 12 companies in the GHA which could participate in this infrastructure related project. WEDC is interested in offering grants to back this initiative with the Friends Group and Bike Federation as sub-grantees.

**Next Meeting**

Wednesday, March 26, 3:30-5:30, UWEX Jefferson County Bldg., 864 Collins Rd.,  
Room 12, Jefferson

# Friends of GHA Report

## January 2014

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1. Winter Fair, Saturday February 8 (see flyer)
2. The Friends have been invited to talk about the GHA at the P.I.E. (Progressives Informed and Engaged) of Lake Mills dinner at Waterhouse this Friday. Matt and Clare will speak.
3. New Activities Guide under development containing:
  - a. Article about Jefferson County snowmobiling, written by Jeanne Scherer. Clare talked to Bob Bennett of Jefferson Alliance to get his input as well.
  - b. List of upcoming community outdoor events in GHA cities/villages
  - c. Snowshoeing, sledding, skiing, and other outdoor itineraries
4. Web site redesign is in final stages.
5. The Friends have been invited to participate in a 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary event with Rock River Coalition in June or July. Event will involve free pontoon rides to learning stations around Rock Lake (aquatic plants, shoreline restoration, lake history, etc...). More details to come.
6. We are planning calendar for 2014. Events will include
  - a. Bird hikes around GHA with Jefferson Dodge Birding Group which are scheduled for the third Saturday every month. First one will be on Sat., March 22 at Rose Lake, 9 a.m. We are also considering a bird & bike on Glacial Drumlin
  - b. Hike & Bike with the Artists in June (no date given by Mary Ann yet)
  - c. Two invasive plant removal volunteer days with UW-Whitewater Ecology Club—**any properties or trails that need help?** It would be good to work on a property close to a community that we haven't worked with before (we've worked in Cambridge area twice at the Lake Ripley Preserve and CamRock).
  - d. GHA Picnic in August
  - e. Paddle trip on Bark River in autumn

**Glacial Heritage Area Implementation Team**

**Education/Outreach/Communication Group  
2013 Work Plan**

**Goal:** To continue to find ways to increase the visibility and recognition of the Glacial Heritage Area (GHA) in Wisconsin.

**Strategies:**

- **Work with the Department of Tourism to gain strong *Ongoing* visibility for the GHA on and across their website.**
- **Work with local communities to maintain a presence on *Ongoing* their websites and in appropriate printed material.**
- **Work with the DNR to redesign the GHA website to create a stronger sense of place for the GHA area. *Ongoing***
- **Distribute and post laminated copies of the GHA Asset Map in many sites in each community within the GHA. *Done, but explore more locations for map distribution***
- **Provide volunteers to staff a wide range of high population activities such as county fairs and organized bike races. Staffers will be able to present maps and brochures and discuss the value and impact of the GHA. *Done***

**Goal:** To educate the public about the economic benefits of the GHA.

**Strategies:**

- **Work with the DNR to redesign the GHA website to provide more information about the current and potential economic impact of the GHA. *Ongoing***

- **Organize—in cooperation with the Implementation Team-- a speaker's bureau that is knowledgeable about the economic benefits of the GHA and find places for them to present this information at state, county and local venues of importance.**

*No Progress*

- **Produce and distribute a monthly GHA news release related to showing economic impact and call for support.** *No Progress*
- **Distribute economic impact information at most or all of the other activities in this plan.** *No Progress*

**Goal: To work with state and local organizations to create a network of active stakeholders.**

**Strategies:**

- **Work closely with the Friends of the GHA to help them provide activities and visibility at events county wide.**  
*Ongoing*
- **Identify ways to provide a presence at the main events of stakeholder organizations such as Pheasant's & Duck's Unlimited; bike associations; hiking, fishing, birding and paddling organizations.** *No Progress, need 'speakers bureau'*
- **Work closely with local arts organizations to promote related activities such as the annual "Hike and Bike with the Artists" event that promotes the GHA.** *Done*