



# ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

*Airport - Highways - Parks*

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Public Works Committee – Parks Minutes  
Tuesday, September 12, 2017 – 8:00 a.m.  
Public Works Department - Committee Room  
3715 Newville Road  
Janesville, WI 53545

Call to Order. Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll, Fox and Richard

Committee Members Absent. None

Staff Members:

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| Amy Friend      | Secretary II             |
| Duane Jorgenson | Director of Public Works |
| Lori Williams   | Parks Director           |

Others Present:

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| Richard Bostwick    | Rock County Board Supervisor |
| Dean Paynter        | Parks Advisory Committee     |
| J. Russell Podzilni | Rock County Board Chair      |
| Tom Presny          | Parks Advisory Committee     |

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Arnold and Fox moved today's agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of August 8, 2017. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Mr. Paynter announced that Mike Guisleman, the former Rock County Parks Director, passed away. His funeral will be next Monday. Ms. Williams shared a copy of Mr. Guisleman's obituary.

Chair Bussie announced the Airport Committee meeting scheduled for September 19, 2017 has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

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## **PARKS BUSINESS**

Discussion – 2009-2016 ATC Funding Summary. Ms. Williams stated she was asked at the last meeting to bring back a list of projects where the 2009-2016 ATC funds had been utilized for. She went over the funding summary for each year that was included in the packet. Ms. Williams handed out a list of Park capital improvement projects she was recommending for the ATC impact fees that will be received in 2018. She stated the future projects are included in the PORUS plan and the Capital Improvement Plan for the Parks. Mr. Presny thanked Ms. Williams for bringing the funding summary back to the committee. He stated we should celebrate at what we have accomplished over the last 7 plus year with the ATC funding. He stated the ATC lines will have a forever impact on Rock County's natural resources and we should continue to balance that with protecting the resources and lands of Rock County. Chair Bussie stated more people are utilizing the Parks.

Resolution: Determining Allocation of American Transmission Company Environmental Impact Fees to be Received in 2018. Supervisors Driscoll and Arnold moved the resolution. Discussion took place on if this was the same resolution as before when ATC fees were received. Mr. Presny asked why the signature blocks doesn't included the Parks Advisory Committee. Ms. Williams stated it was just an oversight. Supervisor Fox asked if bridge aid could be considered land conservation. He asked if the funds could be used to balance the county bridge aid. Mr. Jorgenson stated he didn't think so but he would check with Jodi Timmerman and Josh Smith. Chair Bussie stated she didn't think this would be allowed as she understands the Statutes. Discussion took place on correcting the signature blocks and getting an answer to where the funds can be used. Supervisor Fox made a motion to table the resolution and bring it back to the next Parks committee meeting. Chair Bussie seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution: Authorizing Application with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for County Fish and Game Project Grant Funds. Supervisors Driscoll and Arnold moved the resolution. Ms. Williams stated she was applying for the grant maximum of \$5,000. MOTION CARRIED.

Directors Report. The Directors report was included in the Agenda packet. Ms. Williams stated the bathroom finish work has been completed at Carver Roehl Park. She is waiting for a date for the trail work to be done at Magnolia Bluff Park. The Vets Roll Fundraiser held at Sweet Allyn Park had less attendance than expected. She stated the fundraiser will be scheduled again for next year. A citizen had donated a bench for Magnolia Bluff Park. Ms. Williams stated she is still working on the Carol Miller land donation. She handed out copies of the map of the property. She stated she is checking with the wetland reserve to make sure we don't have any issue if we acquire it. Supervisor Richard asked how many total acres of the donation. Ms. Williams stated it was 56 acres with 12 or 13 in the wetland reserve. Mr. Paynter stated he had walked the Carol Miller land and it wasn't as wet as he had expected.

Next Meeting Date. The next Parks meeting will be Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Executive Session. Supervisor Fox moved to go into Executive Session at 8:30 a.m., Supervisor Richard seconded per Section 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., Discussion on the Possible Purchase of Public Property. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll Fox and Richard.

Supervisor Fox moved to go out of Executive Session at 8:40 a.m., Supervisor Driscoll seconded. ADOPTED on a roll call vote with the following: Ayes – Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Driscoll, Fox and Richard.

Adjournment. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved to adjourn at 8:41 a.m. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Friend  
Secretary II