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Public Works Committee – Parks Minutes
Tuesday, February 14, 2017 – 8:00 a.m.

Public Works Department- Committee Room
3715 Newville Road
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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

Staff Members: Amy Friend Secretary II
Lori Williams Parks Director

Others Present: Dean Paynter Parks Advisory Committee

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

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. Chair Bussie discussed a memo from Duane Jorgenson, Interim Director of Public Works. She stated the next Public Works Committee-Highway was scheduled for March 16, 2017. He was requesting the meeting be rescheduled back to March 9, 2017. He was just informed of a rebate offer that was available for a two-way radio purchase that are included in the 2017 budget. The date change would allow enough time for the rebate offer to be taken to the March 9, 2017 County Board meeting.

PARK BUSINESS

Approve Turtle Community Organization 4th of July Celebration Fermented Malt Beverage Permit. Supervisors Richard and Driscoll moved the approval for the Turtle Community Organization 4th of July Celebration Fermented Malt Beverage Permit. Lori stated the permit gives them permission to sell and serve beer and malt beverages at the annual festival. The celebration will bring in \$1,275.00 in rental fees for the parks. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Resolution Commending Efforts of the Rock Trail Coalition on 25 Years of Service. Supervisors Richard and Fox moved the resolution commending efforts of the Rock Trail Coalition on 25 years of service. Lori stated the ceremony will be held at the Job Center on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Chair Bussie thanked all of the volunteers for the services they provide. MOTION CARRIED.

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Update and Approve Sportman's Deer Display Agreement. Supervisors Driscoll and Richard moved the approval of the Sportman's Deer Display agreement. The deer display is family operated. Nancy Schoonover was on the original agreement but she had passed away. Nancy's daughter Laura Devilin was added to the agreement. Lori stated the agreement has been updated and signed. MOTION CARRIED.

Update, Discussion and Possible Action on Rye 140 Property. Supervisors Fox and Driscoll moved the update and discussion on the Rye 140 Property. Lori stated she has been in discussion with Andy Rye and he has a desire to sell the 1.52 acre property. The asking price is \$30,000.00. She stated the property is a great access for kayaking, canoeing, and fishing. Lori recommended to get an appraisal on the parcel of land to see if that price is accurate. Lori recommended using money from the Green Fund to fund the appraisal. Dean stated that no one has showed interested in the parcel for that price. Supervisor Fox stated it would be hard find comparable prices for the parcel. Discussion on if the Friend's Group would raise the money to purchase the property if the appraisal comes in on target. Discussion took place on the closet launch areas. Supervisor Fox made a motion to use money from the Green Fund to get an appraisal on the Rye 140 Property. Chair Bussie seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Update on Friends of Rock County Parks Initial Meeting. Lori stated the first meeting was held on January 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Twelve people attended the meeting. Six others were interested in attending but couldn't make the meeting. It was a small group that did a lot of brainstorming. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The location of the meeting has not be determined. Dean stated the Parks department doesn't have a marketing budget. Discussion took place about using the Parks website and Facebook for marketing.

Update on Delong Property. Lori stated she has been in contact with Jeremy Delong. The family has no desire to sell or donate the 6.8 acre property. The family has given permission in writing for volunteers to clear the area around the bridge. Clearing the area will open up the view from the road. Dean stated the volunteers are scheduled for February 24, 2017 to clear the area. Discussion took place on what type of trees and evasive species the volunteers would be clearing. Lori stated that Dave is working on getting permits from the County and DNR for the project. The Committee would like Dean to let them know how far along the volunteers are at the next meeting.

Directors Report. The Directors report was included in the Agenda packet. Lori passed around a picture of damage done by a vehicle to a fence at Royce Dallman Park. She will follow up with the Sherriff's department to get information for restitution. Discussion on the snowmobile trail being open 11 days this year and 0

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days last year. Discussion on the wood cutting permit. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Lori reported that 6 permit have been sold. Discussion on the park shelter rental season.

Set Next Meeting Date. The next Park meeting will be Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Richard and Driscoll moved to adjourn at 8:34 a.m. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Friend
Secretary II