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# ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## *Highways & Parks*

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Public Works Committee Meeting – Parks  
Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.  
Public Works Department – Committee Room  
3715 Newville Road  
Janesville, WI 53545

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

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Richard, Mawhinney, Mulligan, Rashkin and Yeomans.

Committee Members Absent. None.

<u>Staff Members:</u>	Duane Jorgenson	Director of Public Works
	John Traynor	Parks Manager
	Amy Friend	Community Coordinator
	Amy Hartley	Secretary II

<u>Others Present:</u>	Floyd Finney	Parks Advisory Board
	Dean Paynter	Parks Advisory Board
	Tom Presny	Parks Advisory Board

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Yeomans. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes for Parks from March 9, 2021. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the minutes from March 9, 2021, second by Supervisor Mawhinney. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Supervisor Rashkin mentioned the recent media announcement regarding Indian Trails Campground. Mr. Traynor intends to research and discuss at future meetings.

Parks Advisory Board Communications. Mr. Presny presented a news article concerning Indian Trails Campground. All members of the Parks Advisory Board suggested Rock County research the process to obtain this property.

Mr. Finney announced a swap meet fundraiser, for the Gibbs Lake well project, Saturday, April 17, 2021, in Johnstown.

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## HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Resolution – Designating the Week of April 26 Through April 30, 2021, “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week in Rock County”. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the amended resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Jorgenson amended lines 17 and 18 of the resolution to reflect 2020 statistics. Mr. Jorgenson reviewed advertising and promotional events for awareness week. The County Highway website will be updated. Supervisor Mawhinney suggested monthly promotional efforts. ADOPTED.

## PARKS BUSINESS

Resolution – Authorizing Application with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for Snowmobile Grant Funds 2021-2011 Snowmobile Season. Supervisor Mawhinney moved approval of the resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the resolution. ADOPTED.

8:15 a.m. – Supervisor Richard departed due to technical difficulty.

Resolution – Authorizing Application with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for Stewardship, Local Assistance, Federal Land and Water Conservation and Recreational Trails Grant Funds. Supervisor Mulligan moved approval of the resolution, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the resolution. ADOPTED.

Discussion and Possible Action – Volunteer Waiver Form. Supervisor Mulligan approved the form, second by Supervisor Yeomans. Mr. Traynor explained the new form. ADOPTED.

8:21 a.m. – Supervisor Richard returned.

Parks Manager Report – See Attached. Mr. Traynor provided information on the items listed in his report.

### **Parks General**

Piers are in! – boat launch collection begins April 15.

Equipment Maintenance – preparing for the season.

Park Clean-up – trees, knocked down by high winds, required clean-up.

Seasonal Hire Update – two potential seasonal employees expected.

### **Conservation Grant Update**

Lee Park Status – all grant work is completed.

**Royce Dallman Park**

Boomfest Event Correspondence – Mr. Traynor explained his discussion with Corporation Counsel. Mr. Traynor has a scheduled *After-Action Review* meeting with Milton Police Department.

**Sweet-Allyn Park**

Playground Replacement Work Update – playground arrival is expected April 26, 2021.  
Rip Rap Project – Mr. Traynor is awaiting discussion with the DNR.

**Gibbs Lake/Magnolia Bluff Parking Lots**

CIP Improvement Updates – upgrades to the parking lots are almost completed.  
Additional finish work will be completed soon.

**Turtle Creek Access at 140**

Boring Company – Mr. Traynor explained the contractor will repair the driveway damage done in fall 2020.

**Sportsman’s Park**

Deer Display – nine elderly does remain; will review plans of display at future meeting.

**Turtle Creek and Sugar River Signs**

Signing Project – mile markers on the waterways are complete.  
Sherriff’s Department Rec. Team – Mr. Traynor extended gratitude to the Rock County Sherriff’s Department and the Highway Sign Shop. The signs were posted and have GPS coordinates. Information will be announced on social media.

**Turtle Creek Parkway**

Grant Update – Ms. Friend has successfully researched and completed information necessary for the reimbursement of the Turtle Creek grant applied for in 2012.

Community Coordinator Report – See Attached. Ms. Friend provided information on the items listed in her report and presented a PowerPoint for March’s leprechaun event in the parks.

Next Parks Meeting Date. Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at 8:00 a.m. at Department of Public Works.

Adjournment. Supervisor Yeomans moved adjournment at 8:51 a.m., second by Supervisor Mulligan. ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy J. Hartley, Secretary II