

Public Works Committee Minutes  
Monday, December 7, 2009 - 8:30 a.m.  
Department of Public Works Committee Room  
3715 Newville Road - Janesville, WI

Call to Order. Chair Yankee called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:30 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Arnold, Bussie, Diestler, Ott and Yankee

Committee Members Absent: None

Parks Advisory Committee Members: Tom Presny, Gina Cook and Floyd Finney

Parks Advisory Committee Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Rob Baller, Parks Community Coordinator  
Ben Coopman, Public Works Director  
Deb Lawton, Secretary  
Lori Williams, Parks Director

Others Present: Diane Papcke

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Arnold and Bussie moved the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2009. Supervisors Ott and Arnold moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. None. Supervisor Diestler arrived.

Consider Proposed 2010 New Park Fees. Supervisors Diestler and Arnold moved the new park fees for 2010. Parks Director Williams reported on the survey she conducted to arrive at these proposed fees. A lengthy discussion took place on the following options for new park fees:

	Option A	Option B	Option C
1-2 day event <500	\$100 per day	\$150 per event	1 Acre or Less \$125
1-2 day event >500	\$200 per day	\$300 per event	1 Acre or More \$250
3-4 day event <1000	\$150 per day	\$450 per event	
3-4 day event >1000	\$250 per day	\$750 per event	

Supervisor Arnold rescinded her motion. Supervisors Diestler and Bussie moved to adopt Option A. MOTION CARRIED. Supervisor Arnold dissented.

Consider Magnolia Bluff Equine Parking Lot. Supervisors Diestler and Arnold moved the Magnolia Bluff Equine Parking Lot request. Discussion ensued with Mr. Finney explaining this parking lot is needed for the larger trailers and trucks to be able to turn around. The equestrian group will pay for the driveway installation. More discussion. Supervisor Arnold called for the question. MOTION CARRIED.

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Discussion on Future ATC Projects and Funds. Discussion took place on the procedure for obtaining and using these funds.

Parks Director Williams discussed developing master plans for Magnolia Bluff and Carver-Roehl Parks. Money is budgeted in 2010 for these two plans. Discussion on planning took place.

Discussion on turning the Buck property into a county park with a boat launch took place. Tom Presny felt this could be a good opportunity for an additional boat launch on the Rock River.

Parks Director Report. Parks Director Williams reported the entrance road at Carver-Roehl County Park should be bid out by the end of January.

Parks Director Williams read a letter of complaint to the Committee from a citizen who objected to those using the boat launch at Gibbs Lake County Park for swimming and fishing and nearly blocking him from using the boat ramp. The users he was complaining about do not pay a fee and he objected to paying for something that he found difficult to use. Discussion on signage took place. Parks Director Williams will place a sign indicating the boat dock area is not to be used for swimming or fishing when boats are entering or exiting the lake.

Rob Baller stepped in to explain the Beckman Mill Park proposed boardwalk and trail system. The proposed boardwalk would float on the wetland and lead to a woodland trail system. More information will come to this Committee on this item in the future.

Parks Advisory Committee Remarks. Mr. Finney thanked the Committee for approving the equine parking lot at Magnolia Bluff County Park. Mrs. Cook had no comments today. Tom Presny departed.

Next Meeting Date. The Parks meeting will be changed from Tuesday, January 12, 2010 to Friday, January 15, 2010 due to a conflict with the Winter Highway Conference.

Supervisor Bussie departed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PER SECTION 19.85(1)(e) CONSIDER POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY. Supervisors Ott and Bussie moved to go into Executive Session. A roll call vote was recorded:

Supervisor Diestler	- yes
Supervisor Arnold	- yes
Supervisor Ott	- yes
Chair Yankee	- yes

Motion carried unanimously to go into executive session. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to return to open session at 11:14 a.m.

Adjournment. Supervisor Arnold and Chair Yankee moved to adjourn at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton  
Secretary

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