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## ROCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

*Airport - Highways - Parks*

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Public Works Committee Meeting – Parks  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017 – 8:00 a.m.  
Public Works Department- Committee Room  
3715 Newville Road  
Janesville WI 53545

### AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2017
4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements
5. **PARKS BUSINESS**
  - a. Resolution: Determining Allocation of American Transmission Company Environmental Impact Fees to be Received in 2018
  - b. Resolution: Acceptance of Rock County 2017 - 2018 Snowmobile DNR Grant S-5062
  - c. Directors Report – see attached
  - d. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Department of Public Works
6. Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AGENDA NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Land Conservation Committee  
Public Works Committee  
INITIATED BY



Thomas Sweeney/Lori Williams  
DRAFTED BY

Land Conservation Committee  
Public Works Committee  
SUBMITTED BY

September 22, 2017  
DATE DRAFTED

**DETERMINING ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN TRANSMISSION COMPANY  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT FEES TO BE RECEIVED IN 2018**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, In 2018, the County will receive American Transmission Company (ATC) environmental  
2 impact fees for the construction of a new high voltage transmission line originating at the newly  
3 constructed Alliant Energy Power Plant, located on B-R Townline Road, and terminating at the Paddock-  
4 Rockdale high voltage transmission line in western Rock County; and,  
5  
6 **WHEREAS**, the estimated environmental impact fees for this new high voltage transmission line is  
7 estimated to be between \$796,960 and \$830,560, with the actual fees to be determined by the  
8 transmission line route chosen; and,  
9  
10 **WHEREAS**, environmental impact fees collected under § 196.491(3)(gm), Wis. Stats. requires the  
11 receivers of aforesaid funds to utilize them for park, conservancy, wetlands, or other similar  
12 environmental programs, or seek a waiver from the Public Service Commission for other purposes in the  
13 public interest, per Administrative Code 16.969; and,  
14  
15 **WHEREAS**, in 2009, the County Board voted and approved the 2008 environmental impact fees from  
16 the construction of the ATC Paddock-Rockdale high voltage transmission line, in the sum of \$1,811,976,  
17 be placed in a segregated account and reserved for use as a Parks and Land Conservation Fund; and,  
18  
19 **WHEREAS**, the Land Conservation Committee and the Public Works Committee recommends that the  
20 proceeds for the 2018 environmental impact fees be split equally between the Land Conservation  
21 Department and the Public Works Department-Parks Division as in accordance with the action taken by  
22 County Board in 2009.  
23  
24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors in session this  
25 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, approves the environmental impact fees received from ATC in  
26 2018 be deposited in the existing Special Revenue Account on the County's Balance Sheet and further  
27 segregates the funds as follows:  
28  
29         50% be allocated for Land Conservation projects.  
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31         50% be allocated for Parks projects.  
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33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the allocation for Land Conservation projects be further segregated in  
34 the balance sheet account to assure that the Groundwater Nitrate Initiative Project has funding available to  
35 commence activities, in the sum of \$120,000, with the remainder of the funding earmarked for the PACE  
36 and Clean Sweep programs.  
37  
38 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the allocation for Parks Division projects be earmarked to fund  
39 various capital improvement projects and land acquisition.

DETERMINING ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN TRANSMISSION COMPANY ENVIRONMENTAL  
IMPACT FEES TO BE RECEIVED IN 2018

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Respectfully submitted:

LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

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Richard Bostwick, Chair

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Alan Sweeney, Vice Chair

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Stephanie Aegerter

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Brenton Driscoll

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Wes Davis

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Kara Hawes

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James Quade, USDA-FSA Representative

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Jeremy Zajac

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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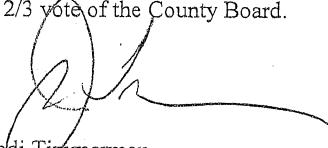
This resolution sets the general use of the 2018 ATC Fees, 50% to be used for Land Conservation projects and 50% to be used for Parks projects.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.51, Wis. Stats. Action to apportion funds requires only a majority vote. When funds are needed for specific projects, a separate resolution and budget amendment will be necessary requiring a 2/3 vote of the County Board.



Jodi Timmerman  
Interim Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

These funds would not be available until the PSC selects a route and ATC breaks ground, which is expected to be in Spring 2018.



Josh Smith  
County Administrator

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The County will receive environmental impact fees for the construction of a high voltage transmission line to be constructed by the American Transmission Company (ATC). This transmission line will commence at the newly constructed Alliant Energy power plant and terminate in western Rock County at the existing high voltage transmission line. Per State Statute, the fees collected as environmental impact fees must be used to support environmental and/or park projects, any deviation from these activates must be approved via a waiver by the Public Service Commission. Two line routes have been submitted to the Public Service Commission for consideration. The anticipated impact fees are estimated to be between \$796,960 and \$830,560, with ATC's preferred route impact fees estimated at \$796,960.

In 2008, ATC began construction of a high voltage transmission line project in the western part of the County. As a result the County received \$1,811,976 in environmental fees. After much debate, the County Board elected to split the fees collected equally between the Land Conservation Department and the Public Works Department - Parks Division and deposit aforesaid fees into an interest bearing Special Revenue Account on the County's Balance Sheet. Any project(s) funded with these funds required County Board Approval.

With the precedent from the County Board's 2008 decision, the Land Conservation Committee and the Public Works Committee respectfully request that the 2018 ATC Environmental Impact Fees be divided equally between the Land Conservation Department and the Public Works Department - Parks Division and deposited into the existing Special Revenue Account on the County's Balance Sheet.

The Land Conservation Committee requests the Land Conservation Department allocation be further segregated to assure that funding is available for the Groundwater Nitrate Initiative. The Land Conservation Committee recommends that \$120,000 be segregated to fund the Groundwater Nitrate Initiative. The remainder of the funds segregated to the Land Conservation Department will be used to fund ongoing projects; Clean Sweep and PACE.

The Public Works Committee requests the Parks Division allocation be used for various capital improvement projects and land acquisitions.

# RESOLUTION

## ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee  
Initiated by



Lori Williams, Parks Director  
Drafted by

Public Works Committee  
& Parks Advisory Committee  
Submitted by

September 27, 2017  
Date Drafted

### ACCEPTANCE OF ROCK COUNTY 2017-2018 SNOWMOBILE DNR GRANT S-5062

- 1     **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors Resolution #81-6A-038, on the 11th day of
- 2     June, 1981, adopted the Rock County Snowmobile Plan; and,
- 3
- 4     **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Preliminary Application for 100% funding was approved by the
- 5     Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in the total amount of \$67,920 to provide 226.4
- 6     miles of Rock County Trails; and,
- 7
- 8     **WHEREAS**, upon completion by signature of Recreation Aids Grant Agreements, Rock County
- 9     will qualify for 100% funding for acquisition of trail easements, bridge development, insurance
- 10    and maintenance of the trail, payable as follows: 50% in advance and 50% upon inspection and
- 11    approval for development; and,
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- 13    **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Snowmobile trail provides a needed winter recreational facility
- 14    in Rock County.
- 15
- 16    **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors on
- 17    this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, hereby accepts the 2017-2018 Rock County
- 18    Snowmobile Grant.
- 19
- 20    **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Parks Director is hereby authorized and directed to
- 21    sign the grant agreement and that this document be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of
- 22    Natural Resources.
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- 24    **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Parks Director be named the Snowmobile Trail
- 25    Coordinator and act as authorized official to file all necessary documents for administration
- 26    and reimbursement of this program, with the Rock County Alliance of Snowmobile Clubs
- 27    named as subcontractor to carry out the work of the program (signing, grooming, and general
- 28    trail maintenance). The Rock County Alliance of Snowmobile Clubs is a 501(c)(3) federal
- 29    charitable organization. They are in partnership with Rock County to carry out this
- 30    recreational program in Rock County.

Respectfully submitted,

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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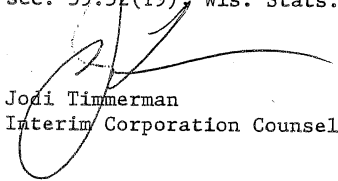
\$67,920 is included in the Parks' 2018 budget request for the 2017-2018 Snowmobile Grant Program.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

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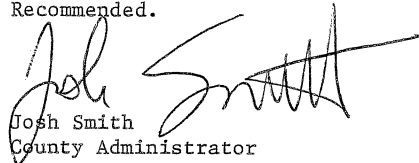
The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats.



Jodi Timmerman  
Interim Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.



Josh Smith  
County Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
FOR  
ACCEPTANCE OF 2017-2018 ROCK COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUNDING  
DNR GRANT S-5062

This resolution provides final authorization to accept funding for the winter 2017-2018 Rock County Snowmobile Trail Program.

Our pre-application has been reviewed and the grant we are accepting is:

S-5062	Trail Maintenance 226.4 miles @ \$300	\$67,920
	Lease Acquisition (now part of Maintenance @ \$300/mile)	\$0
	Insurance (none)	\$0
	Grant Total	\$67,920

The Rock County Public Works Committee and the Parks Advisory Committee will subcontract this work to the Rock County Alliance of Snowmobile Clubs and they will provide most of the actual labor and machinery to do this work. The Rock County Alliance of Snowmobile Clubs is a partner with Rock County to bring this recreational opportunity to the citizens of Rock County. This group is a federal 501(3)(c) tax exempt and State of Wisconsin Chapter 181 charitable not for profit organization. Any clerical, bookkeeping or field work (including labor, materials, and machinery) by DPW Parks Division or Highway Division is 100% billed. Any time spent by the Parks Director to administer and inspect the work of this program is billed to the grant.

These funds are 100% provided by the payments snowmobilers have made through license and prorated fuel tax payments. Rock County receives a 50% advance payment check after the completed contract is signed, the balance due upon final close out of the grant.



## **Parks Director Report**

**October, 2017**

### **Projects in planning and or process**

#### **Beckman Mill Park**

Post installed for Security Camera at Parking lot entrance.

#### **Carver Roehl Park**

Friends of Carver Roehl Park Fall Fest Held Sunday October 1, 2017.

#### **Gibbs Lake Park**

Working with DNR on dredging permits for boat launch area.

#### **Magnolia Bluff Park**

Working with Mike Riter of Trail Design Specialists on Magnolia Bluff Trail and reworking some areas, date set for early spring 2018.

#### **Miscellaneous**

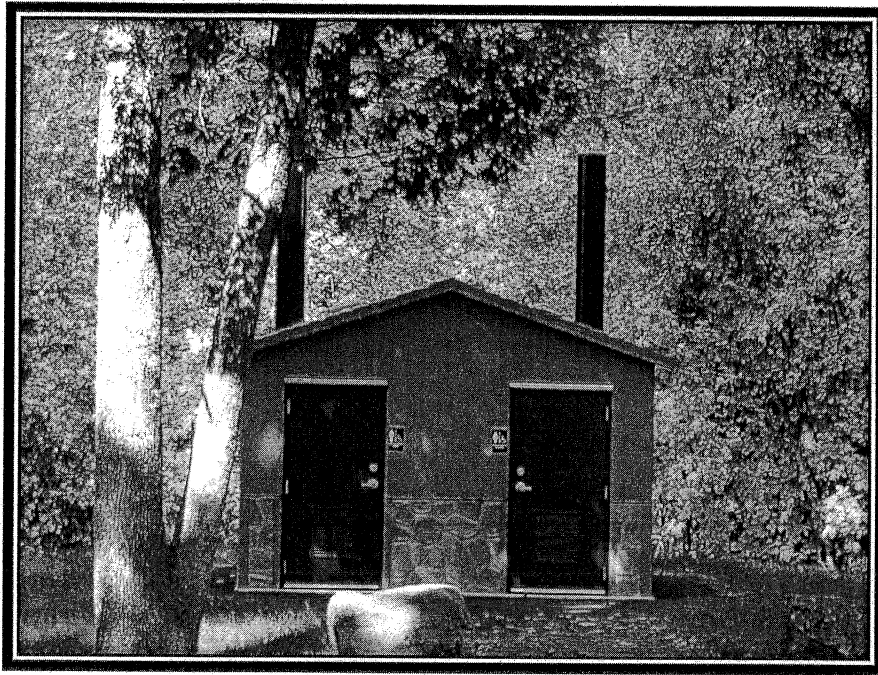
Town of Beloit Easement Amendment completed and Trail Grant work started.

Working with Citizen on Bench Donation for Magnolia Bluff Park.

Working on Carol Miller land donation resolution.

Working with Andy Rye on 140 Property.





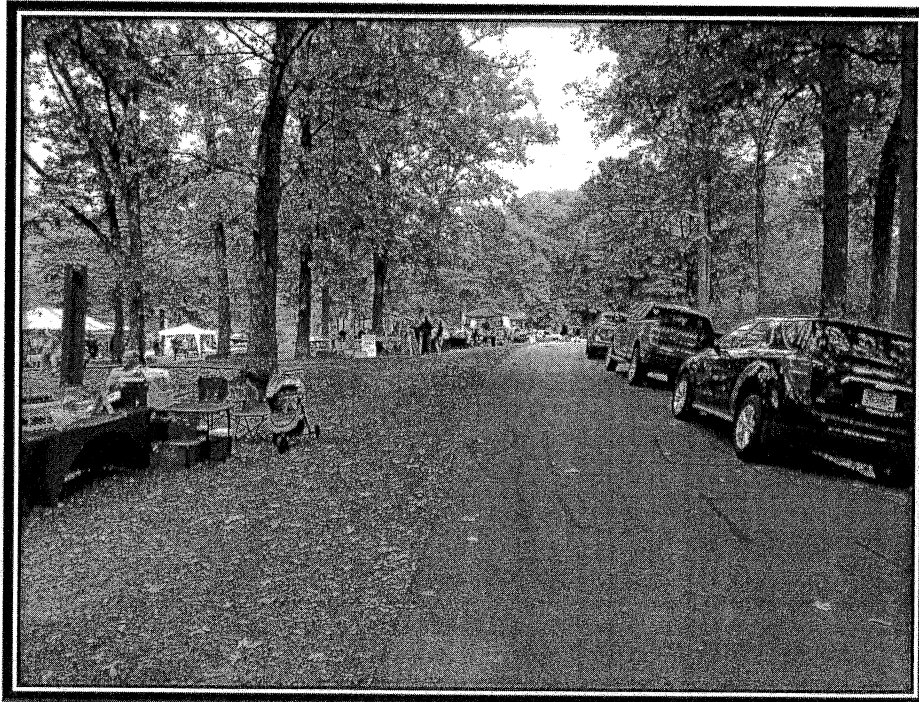
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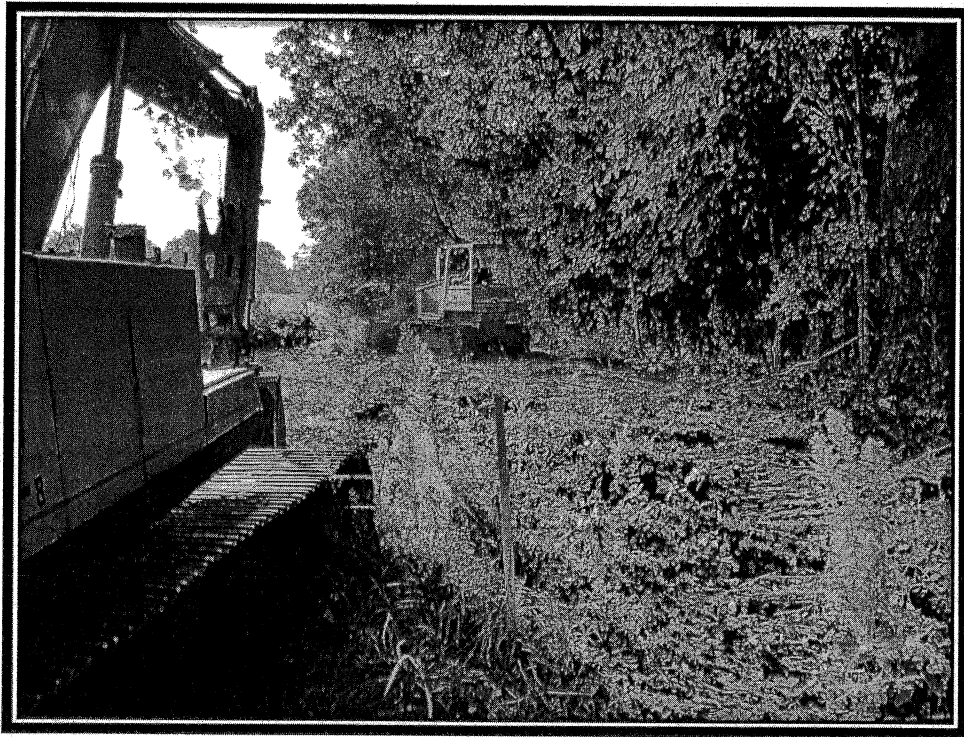


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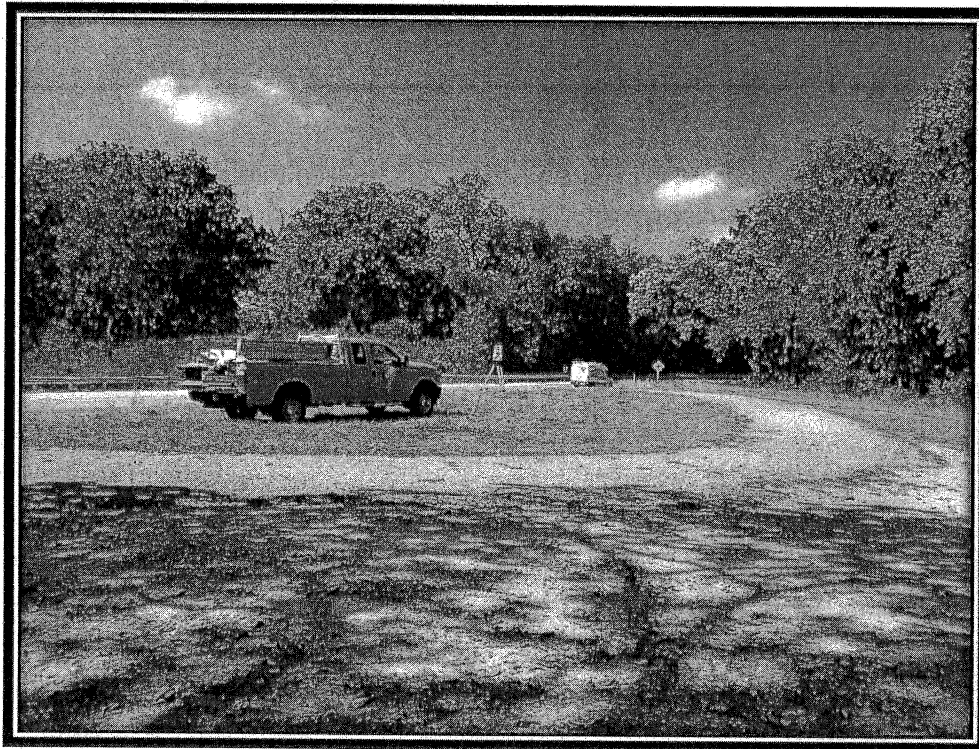


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**Beloit to Janesville Trail Work**

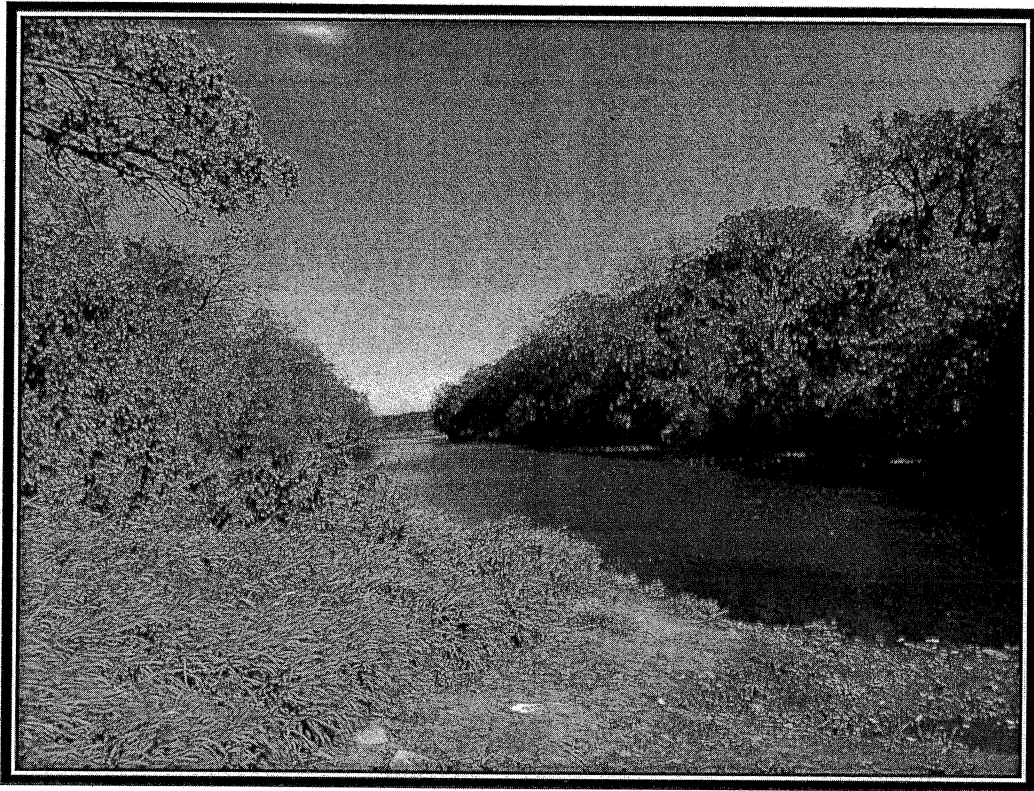


**Rye 140 Property Survey work**

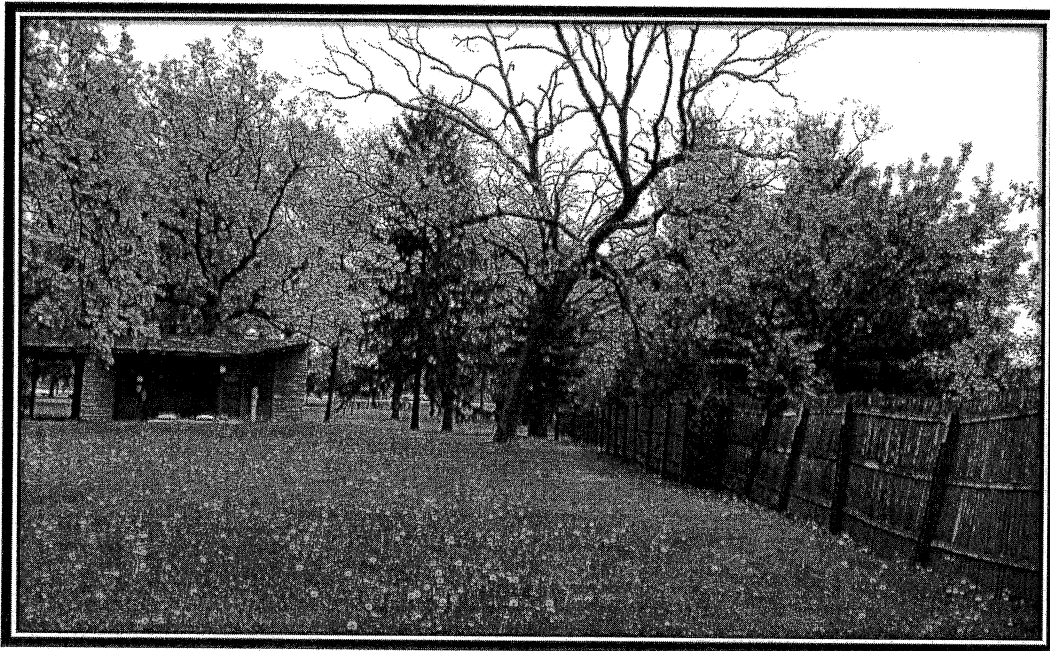


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