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Public Works Department**



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Public Works Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2012 – 8:30 a.m.
Public Works Department Committee Room

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of December 13, 2011
4. Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements
5. Vouchers/Bills/Encumbrances/Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments & Transfers

PARKS BUSINESS

6. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - a. Beloit to Janesville Peace Trail Plan update – Dean Paynter
 - b. Project Report
7. Parks Advisory Committee Remarks
8. Next Meeting Date
9. Semi-Annual Report from DPW
10. Adjournment

**Current Rock County Park Projects
December 7, 2011 – January 6, 2012**

- **Beloit-Janesville Trail**-----1) Participating in committee meetings in the feasibility study in planning this trail corridor.
2) Railroad crossing to be installed soon.

- **Beckman Mill** -----1) Received eight trail improvement proposals.

- **Carver- Roehl**-----1) Met with FCR members to review the park plan maps and options.
2) Worked with workender group to cut buckthorn.

- **Community Coordinator**-----1) Invited the DNR's Accessibility Coordinator to assist with ADA accessibility assessment for all parks. First park visits on December 15. Began drafting improvement plan.
2) Led family reindeer program at Sportsman's Park on December 17.
3) Drafted Beckman Mill Park wetland management plan, met with a committee from Friends of Beckman Mill and Welty Environmental Center on December 19 to review and edit the plan.
4) Attended Rock River Trail PIM December 21.
5) Planned and began advertising snowshoe hikes.
6) Working with the Friends of Beckman Mill and the Multi-use Trail group on partnership grants for park improvements.
7) Submitted final Besadny grant application.

- **Delong**----- 1) No update at this time

- **Gibbs Lake**----- 1) Parks Staff has done some trail and tree work as time has allowed.

- **GIS**----- 1) Attending Land Records meetings as scheduled.
2) Assisting Highway with map projects as needed.

- **Green Fund**----- 1) Purple Creek fundraiser made \$109.40, mostly from donations, to be matched by Brent Fox for total of \$218.80.
2) Community Day Sales was \$300.00 plus \$202.65 in bonus for a grand total of \$502.65.
3) Candlelight hikes set for January 13 at Beckman Mill and February 17 at Gibbs Lake.

- **Ice Age Trail**----- 1) Three public information meetings have been set as follows:
Saturday January 28 in Janesville at Rotary Gardens from 10am-2pm,
Tuesday, January 31 in Whitewater 4-8pm, and
Thursday February 2 in Evansville 4-8pm.
2) Parks Crew has done some trail work utilizing the new gator.

- **Magnolia Bluff**----- 1) Rock County Conservationists workday planned for January 28th.
2) Closed upper park for the winter on 12/30/11.

- **Other Information**-----1) **Attended Safety Committee Meeting about Policies for DPW.**
2) **Staff inspected snowmobile trail crossings.**
3) **Attended Rock River Trail Public meeting.**
4) **Staff has done various tree work as time permitted such as the down tree in Sweet Allyn.**

- **Pelishek-Tiffany Trail**-----1) **Parks Staff has done tree and trail work as time permitted.**

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: January 4, 2012
TO: Rock County Public Works Committee
FROM: Benjamin J. Coopman, Jr., P.E. *Bjc*
Director of Public Works
RE: Semi-Annual Report

Per County Board Resolution 96-8A-050, I am submitting the following report.

Out of State Travel:

Highway Division:	None	
Parks Division:	None	
Airport Division:	\$1,10.13	Airport Director attended FAA Great Lakes Region Conference in Chicago

cc: Craig Knutson, County Administrator
Marilyn Bondehagen