

Public Works Committee Minutes
Tuesday, May 10, 2011 – 1:00 p.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 1:00 p.m.

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

Committee Members Absent: None

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

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

Others Present: Andrew Bremer, MSA Professional Services
Thomas Kautz, Interested Citizen

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

Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2011. Supervisors Arnold and Bussie moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Vouchers/Bills/Encumbrances/Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved the vouchers from Janke General Contractors for \$18,450 for construction of the boardwalk at Beckman Mill County Park and \$19029.40 to V & Associates for deicer at the Airport. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. None.

PARKS BUSINESS

Approve Resolution Authorizing Naming the Recently Acquired Smith Road Property as Turtle Creek Parkway County Park. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved the resolution.

Discussion on naming this property took place. Supervisor Arnold asked that there be a sign erected indicating this is the site of the Five Arch Bridge and to make her

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request part of the park improvement plan that is being done by MSA Professional Services. MOTION CARRIED 4-1. Supervisor Diestler dissented.

Park Plan Information Presentation Carver-Roehl County Park and Magnolia Bluff County Park by MSA Professional Services. Andrew Bremer went over the plans for these parks and the timeline as well. Discussion.

Approve Resolution Designating Beckman Mill County Park Trail System and Boardwalk as Thomas G. Kautz Boardwalk and Trail System. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved the resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

Project Report. The Committee had no questions or comments on today's project report. The Delong property was discussed.

Discuss Citizen Request to Purchase Schollmeyer Park. Parks Director Williams received a call from a citizen who is interested in purchasing Schollmeyer Park. This park contains 1.045 acres, has frontage along Turtle Creek, and serves as a canoe launching area. It was acquired from the Town of Turtle in 1959. Discussion on erecting boundary markers and putting in a parking area took place.

Ben Coopman arrived.

The Committee asked Parks Director to come up with a recommendation and put it on next month's agenda.

Tom Kautz arrived.

Parks Advisory Committee Remarks. Floyd Finney reported the hard work done by installing pavers on one of the trails at Magnolia Bluff was paying off and they are holding up well.

Tom Presny reported on the possibility of creating an endowment fund for Rock County Parks. Discussion.

Lori stated there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at Beckman Mill County Park upon completion of the new trails and boardwalk project.

Next Meeting Date. Tuesday, June 14 at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Diestler moved to adjourn at 2:30 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II