

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 4, 2013
PLACE: JP Coughlin Center
Volunteer Room
625 E. Cty. Rd. Y
Oshkosh WI 54901
TIME: 8:30 a.m..
PRESENT: Parks Committee - Jerry Finch, Mike Norton, Tom Konetzke, Harold Singstock, Don Miller.
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Way, Vicky Redlin – Winnebago County Parks Dept..

1. Call to order – Meeting called to order by Chairman Finch at 8:30 a.m..
2. Approval of March 7, 2013 and March 28, 2013 – Don Miller moved to approve the March 7th and 28th meeting minutes. Mike Norton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Public Comments - none
4. Presentation and Discussion of North County Dog Park Proposal – Rob Way passed out a draft of the North County Dog Park proposal. There are several items yet to be added. This document will be presented at the Town of Neenah Planning Committee’s meeting on April 15. Rob went through the document briefly identifying major points. Rob also gave an overview of the presentation to be given at the meeting along with Michelle Kennedy of FWCDG. The proposal is incorporates a large portion of material obtained from Salt Lake with their permission. Questions and comments were taken. The committee will go over the draft and come back at April 11 meeting with additional comments or questions.
5. Approval of Resolution Proclaiming the Month of May as “Multi-modal Transportation Month” in Winnebago County – Mike Norton gave a background on the events taking place in May surrounding healthy means of transportation. Harold Singstock moved to approve the resolution. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
6. 2013 – 2017 Winnebago County Comprehensive Outdoor Park and Recreation Plan Update – Rob passed out the draft of the Outdoor Plan from Trish Nau of East Central Planning Commission. Committee members are asked to look over the draft and come back with questions and comments at the June meeting when Ms. Nau will be present.
7. Parks Director’s Updates: ADA, Community Park Road Improvements Feasibility Study, Snowmobile Program Status, Community Park, Trails and Boat Landing Facilities Update - Rob reported that there is nothing new with ADA, Rettler Assoc. is working on the road improvement study and should be ready in May or June to present to the committee, the snowmobile trails are closed for the season with some scrutiny being applied by the Snowmobile Alliance to a few grooming bills, the Community Park will open April 10 for the season with the first event taking place in the park April 13. Portable toilets are going out to the boat landings as the ice breaks up.
8. Committee Chairman’s Updates: Chairman Finch reported that he received an email asking if a \$5.00 use fee would be applied to Pickle Ball participants. He will wait to see if he gets any more input on this before bringing it for discussion at a future meeting.

9. Committee Member's Updates: Mike Norton commended the committee on pushing through the tennis court rehab project. He also reported the results of his attendance at the most recent UWEX meeting where the storage building was discussed. Don Miller also commended Rob and Mike on the tennis court rehab project presentation at the County Board. He also stated that the open space plan and dog park proposal drafts are very well done. Harold Singstock is researching the Tri County Arena and stated that his previous no vote on the lease extension stems from timing and lack of communication between the user groups. Tom Konetzke commended Mike and Chairman Finch for comments made on the board floor regarding the tennis court rehab project, as well as the pickle ball supporters in attendance.
10. Staff Updates: - Vicky Redlin reported that winter storage pick up is taking place at the Expo until April 14 when all items are to be removed. She also reported that she is working with the OCVB on procuring the 2014 WI Horseshoe Assoc. Convention.
11. Next Meeting Date – April 11, 2013 @ 8:30 a.m., next regular schedule meeting May 2, 2013 @ 8:30 a.m.
12. Next Meeting Agenda Items: - April 11 meeting for OYSC proposal presentation and dog park proposal comments and questions.
13. Adjournment – Chairman Finch called for a motion to adjourn. Tom Konetzke moved to adjourn. Mike Norton seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned 10:22 a.m..

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicky Redlin
Asst. Expo Mgr.