

PARKS COMMISSION

February 2, 2021

The regular meeting of the Parks Commission was called to order by Chair Bill Boutwell on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 5:30 PM in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Bill Boutwell
Vonn Roberts
Todd Morris (Zoom)
Jerry Specht
Curt Talma
Charlie Wielgosh

Absent: Michael Shattuck

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Scott Weir, Maintenance Supervisor; Harley Reabe, County Board Chair; Cathy Schmit, County Administrator (Zoom); Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel (Zoom); Paul Gunderson, County Conservationist; Chief Deputy Matt Vandekolk; Gene Thom, Supervisor #19; Sheriff Mark Podoll

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Roberts/Specht) to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2020 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

CORRESPONDENCE

- **2020 Stewardship Award from DNR**

County Clerk Liz Otto gave an explanation of the tentative grant award for the Green Lake Trail.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOAT WASHING STATION PROPOSAL AT DODGE MEMORIAL PARK

Chair Boutwell gave an overview of the proposed project. Anna Cisar, Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council, answered questions regarding liability, staffing, and funding requests from Green Lake County. She also gave a timeline for the grant application. Discussion held.

Motion/second (Roberts/Specht) to direct county staff to work with Golden Sands to bring forth documentation and a resolution to move forward with a boat washing station at Dodge Memorial Park. Ayes – 5, Nays – 1 (Wielgosh).

RESTROOM UPDATE AT ZOBEL PARK

Maintenance Supervisor Scott Weir informed the committee that he is moving forward with ordering an ADA/Unisex restroom for Zobel Park as outlined in the 2021 budget.

DISCUSSION ON TRASH AT COUNTY PARKS AND RESTROOMS

Chair Boutwell asked committee members for input on possible solutions to the trash problem at county parks. Suggestions included camera installation, remote locking systems on dumpsters, and additional park patrol possibly using summer interns.

Chief Deputy Matt Vandekolk spoke regarding the enforcement aspect. Chair Boutwell directed Maintenance Supervisor Scott Weir to look into the options provided and report back at the next meeting.

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY RECOMMENDATION FOR SUNSET PARK

Chief Deputy Matt Vandekolk presented a map of suggested changes in traffic patterns for Sunset Park as a result of a speed study done on CTH A. *Motion/second (Roberts/Talma)* to discuss at the next meeting.

Committee member Jerry Specht left the meeting at 6:37 PM.

UPDATE ON USE OF BOAT LAUNCH FEES

Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow emailed each committee member with the current boat launch fee stipulations.

SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE EASEMENT GRANT AND REQUEST FOR INDEMNIFICATION BY DEL MONTE CORPORATION

Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow stated that she is asking for committee approval to draft documents providing indemnification for an easement from Del Monte Corporation. This is in regard to a DNR grant approved for a snowmobile bridge. Discussion held.

Motion/second (Roberts/Morris) to approve the request for indemnification. Motion carried with no negative vote.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

- **Green Lake Trail Project**

County Clerk Liz Otto presented a budget adjustment to include payments and expenditures for Phase I of the Green Lake Trail project.

Motion/second (Morris/Roberts) to approve the budget adjustment and forward to Finance and the County Board for final approval. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PARKS REPORT

- **Monthly Activities** – Maintenance Supervisor Scott Weir gave an update.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

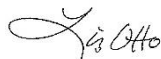
Future Meeting Date: Regular meeting – March 1, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Future Agenda items for action & discussion: discussion on depth of Dodge Memorial Park boat launches, frequency of meetings, options for trash at county parks, recommended traffic safety for Sunset Park

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Boutwell adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.

Submitted by,



Liz Otto
County Clerk