

PARKS COMMISSION

August 30, 2021

The regular meeting of the Parks Commission was called to order by Chair Bill Boutwell on Monday, August 30, 2021 at 4:30 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. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Bill Boutwell
Vonn Roberts
Todd Morris
Michael Shattuck
Jerry Specht
Curt Talma
Charlie Wielgosh

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); Dave Abendroth, Supervisor #4 (Zoom)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion/second (Shattuck/Roberts) to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2021 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Chair Boutwell stated he is changing the order of the agenda to move items #8 and #6 to follow Public Comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Martens, secretary of the Green Lake Association, referred to the Finance Committee's request for further review by the Parks Commission of the boat wash station. Martens stated he had 2 requests – an outline of the “road map” for final approval of the resolution and he requested that someone from the Parks Commission be available at Property & Insurance and the Finance meeting for questions. Martens asked that a Findings of Fact outline of the boat washing station be distributed to members.

Anna Cisar, formerly of Golden Sands, informed the commission that the DNR requires a well be drilled and that surface water cannot be used for the boat wash station. There is a filtration system design in place which was created with help from the county Land Conservation department.

Lisa Reas, Green Lake Sanitary District Director, stated that well and electric estimates are completed. There is a Memo of Understanding (MOU) stating that any unexpected costs will be paid by the Green Lake Association and the Green Lake Sanitary District. Reas also stated that grant deadlines are critical for the project.

Shelley Rothman, N6498 State Road 49, spoke in favor a bike trail from Highway 23 to Zobel Park. She outlined her reasons for the request and asked that this be considered.

RESOLUTIONS

- **Review of Resolution Approving a Boat Washing Station at Dodge Memorial Park Boat Launch**

Discussion held regarding the Finance Committee's request for further review of the resolution. *Motion/second (Specht/Wielgosh)* to return the resolution as written to the Finance Committee with no changes. Lisa Reas and Anna Cisar answered questions from the commission and Dave Abendroth, Supervisor #4. Motion carried with no negative vote. County Board Chair Reabe suggested attendance by Commission members at both the Property & Insurance Committee meeting and Finance.

BIKE TRAIL FROM STH 23 TO ZOBEL PARK

Discussion held on the procedure for a possible bike trail from STH 23 to Zobel Park. Jerry Specht will bring this up for discussion at the next Green Lake Greenways meeting.

CURRENT BOAT LANCH FEE FUNDS

Chair Boutwell stated there is currently \$237,928.63 in the carryover account and \$43,520.80 collected to date in 2021.

PRIORITY USES FOR BOAT LAUNCH FEES

Chair Boutwell called for suggestions and ideas to prioritize uses for the boat launch fees. Suggestions include Sunset Park bathrooms, permanent improvement for water depth at the launches, and restroom patrol on summer weekends. Boutwell directed Todd Morris and Scott Weir to provide more information on updated restrooms and the cost of patrolling restrooms in the summer.

BIKE TRAIL MAINTENANCE – CITY OF GREEN LAKE

No action taken. Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow lost internet connection via Zoom so there was no information available.

PARKS REPORT

- **Monthly activities** – Maintenance Supervisor Scott Weir was asked about the camera footage for garbage. He stated that it has been turned over to the Sheriff's Office and has no further information.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Date: October 11, 2021 @ 4:30 PM

Future Agenda items for action & discussion: bike trail maintenance, handicapped fishing pier at Sunset Park, handicapped pier for canoes and kayaks

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Boutwell adjourned the meeting at 5:47 PM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
County Clerk