

Public Works Committee Minutes
Tuesday, March 8, 2011 – 1:30 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 1:30 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: Deb Lawton, Secretary
Joleen Stinson, Parks Community Coordinator
Lori Williams, Parks Director
Ron Burdick, Airport Director

Others Present: John Clark, Stateline Boys and Girls Club
Tom Morgan, Wisconsin Aviation Academy

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

Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2011. Supervisors Fox and Arnold moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Vouchers/Bills/Encumbrances/Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments. None.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements. John Clark strongly requested the Committee name the former Boys and Girls Club property along Turtle Creek after Joel and Ann Barrett. Both were tireless workers for the Boys and Girls Club. The Committee thanked him for his suggestion.

PARKS BUSINESS

Consider Fermented Malt Beverage permit for Turtle Community Organization 4th of July Celebration – June 24-26, 2011. Supervisors Arnold and Bussie moved the permit. MOTION CARRIED.

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Project Report. Lori went over the report with the Committee. Photos were shown of the nearly completed boardwalk and trail at Beckman Mill. Discussion on other items on the project report took place including new restrooms at Magnolia Bluff Park and playground equipment at Carver-Roehl Park.

Discuss Request from Welty Center. The Welty Center has requested permission to erect a shed next to the garage they are renting to house a golf cart they wish to utilize in the park. It was brought up that golf carts are not allowed by ordinance in parks without special permission and if this request were approved, it could open the door to other friends groups wanting the same. The Committee would like to look at other alternatives. Supervisor Bussie asked about liability and felt it would be a good idea to check with Corporation Counsel on this request. Tom Presny discussed liability concerns and alternatives. He suggested scheduling workdays where a motorized vehicle could be approved for use only on those days. Lori will check with Corporation Counsel and check on other alternatives with the Welty group.

Discuss Results of New County Park Naming Process. We received over 60 suggestions for naming of the new county park along Turtle Creek (former boys and Girls Club property). The list of suggested names was distributed to the Committee. Discussion on names took place. This will be placed on a future agenda for action.

Parks Advisory Committee Remarks. Floyd Finney discussed the possibility of putting up a pavilion at the Gibbs Lake equestrian parking lot.

Tom Presny reported the Green Fund balance at year-end was about \$2,000.

Next Meeting Date. Due to a conflict, it was decided to change the start time of the Tuesday, April 12 meeting from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

AIRPORT BUSINESS

Approve Proposed Wisconsin Aviation Academy Fundraising Events. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved to bring this to the floor. Tom Morgan is requesting to hold three additional fundraising events at the airport in 2011:

Wingz and Wheels – August 20, 2011
Dairy Air Fair - August 2
9/11 Memorial Tribute – September 10

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He went over the details of the events with the Committee. Supervisors Fox and Bussie moved the request. Supervisors Fox and Bussie amended the motion to make it contingent upon Corporation Counsel approval. Ron will bring this back to the Committee for final approval at a future meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved to adjourn at 2:45 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Lawton
Secretary II