

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
INITIATED BY



9/29/2022
DATE DRAFTED

Authorizing Naming the Recently Acquired 5801 North River Road Property as Rock River Heritage County Park

WHEREAS, the authority to name or rename county parks and facilities lies with the Rock County Board of Supervisors; and,

WHEREAS, Rock County and the Department of Public Works Parks Division have acquired the property located at 5801 North River Road, Janesville, WI; and,

WHEREAS, the Parks Division administrative staff and a selected focus group created ten suggested names and the top three names were brought to the Committee for final selection; and,

WHEREAS, the Parks Division of Public Works accepted park name suggestions via the Parks Committee meeting on September 13, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Public Works Committee wishes to name the newly acquired property located at 5801 North River Road, Janesville, WI as "Rock River Heritage County Park"; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 13th day of October, 2022, does hereby designate the recently acquired property as Rock River Heritage County Park; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rock County Parks staff is directed to place a sign on the property designating it as Rock River Heritage County Park.

FISCAL NOTE:

Minimal fiscal impact.

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to sec. 59.03, Wis. Stats. Pursuant to the policy on naming of County property, Resolution 79-12B-422, the naming or renaming of County property requires approval by a 3/4 vote of the County Board.

Richard Greenlee
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of policy.

Josh Smith
County Administrator

Committee Action

Public Works Committee

Public Works Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.

Parks Advisory Committee

Parks Advisory Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote. Floyd Finney was absent.

County Board Staff Committee

County Board Staff Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote. Supervisor Leavy was absent.

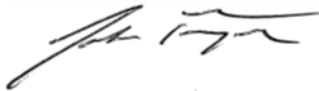
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AUTHORIZING NAMING THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED 5801 NORTH RIVER ROAD PROPERTY AS ROCK RIVER HERITAGE COUNTY PARK

The purpose of this Resolution is to authorize the naming of the property located at 5801 North River Road in the Town of Janesville formally known as Camp Indian Trails. February 16, 2022, Rock County purchased this 178-acre parcel, formally owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America, with the intentions of preserving this beautiful piece of land as a County Park. Since the closing in February, the Parks Department, with help from the Highway Division and many volunteers, have made many changes and improvements to this parcel for the community to enjoy. As we move closer to opening the park to the community, it is only right that a name be chosen to represent this historic purchase that the County has made.

The authority to name or rename County parks and facilities lies with the Rock County Board of Supervisors per Resolution 79-12B-422 adopted in December 1979 and would require a $\frac{3}{4}$ affirmative vote to pass. The Parks Committee has chosen "Rock River Heritage County Park" as its choice for the new name of this parcel owned by Rock County.

Respectfully Submitted,



John W. Traynor
Parks Manager