



PORTAGE COUNTY

JORDAN PARK WEST LODGE
1770 CTY HWY Y
STEVENS POINT, WI 54482

MEETING MINUTES

PARK COMMISSION

Thursday, April 14, 2022

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Park Commission meeting was called to order at 05:00 PM

Members Present: Jim Zach, Charles Gussel, Mildred Neville, Sara Brish, George Kraft, Mike Splinter.

Members Excused: Ray Reser

Staff Attending: Sue McKenzie, Ryan Rose, Rex Runke

Others Attending: Karen Ann Hoffman, Chris Klesmith, John Pavelski

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 10, 2022 Minutes

A motion was made by George Kraft, seconded by Jim Zach, to approve. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

REPORTS

2. Vendor List
3. President Report

President Mike Splinter expressed his gratitude for the out-going Park Commissioners.

4. Park Commissioner Report(s)

5. Park Director Report

Park Director Ryan Rose expressed his gratitude to the out-going Park Commissioners. Director Rose gave the Commissioners an update on the process on Speckmann Dog Park.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

6. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)
 - Request for special meeting attendance
 - Approval of attendance of special meetings
 - Special meeting attendance reports
7. Discussion and update on Native American Artwork at Lake Emily County Park

Director Rose gave the Commissioners the artist's drawing of the Native American Sculpture that will be going up at Lake Emily Park. Karen Ann Hoffman gave the Commissioners insight on the material that will be used and the meaning behind the artwork of the artist.

8. Discussion of the feasibility of adding information related to native presence, either as signage or source material on the County website.

Commissioner Mildred Neville expressed that she would like to see more educational tools at Lake Emily and the County website about Native American History at Lake Emily.

Karen Ann Hoffman expressed her desire to possibly add interpretive signage in the parks, especially near the Sculpture.

9. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Resolution Authorizing Out of Sequence Request for Reclassification, per Human Resource policy 3.11.4.6 Seasonal Parks and Highway Positions Requiring Use of Contingency funds and Possible out of sequence New Position Request for Seasonal Highway General Laborer Positions, per Human Resource policy 3.11.5.1 and 3.11.5.3.

10. Discussion and possible action on raising user fees in the campgrounds and other park user fees for 2023.

A motion was made by George Kraft, seconded by Sara Brish, to approve. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

CORRESPONDENCE

NEXT MEETING DATE May 12, 2022. Location TBD.

May 12, 2022 at Lake Emily County Park WEST lodge.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Sara Brish, seconded by Jim Zach, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.
Meeting adjourned at 05:45 PM

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