

CALUMET COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES

April 11th, 2019

Members Present: Chair Mary Schwalenberg; Supervisors Pete Stier, Ken Draheim, and Ed Kleckner; Citizen Member Lyle Ott.

Members Excused: Citizen Members Dan Thiel and Jerry Koenig.

Others Present: County Board Chairperson, Alice Connors; Parks Director, Adam Backus; Office/Program Manager, Lindsay Hansen; Naturalist Supervisor, Louise Marum; Maintenance Worker, Nathan Hacker

Chair Schwalenberg called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was properly announced and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Backus introduced the new Parks Maintenance Worker, Nathan Hacker, to the commission.

Approval of the Agenda:

Supervisor Stier moved, seconded by Citizen Member Ott to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Supervisor Stier moved, seconded by Citizen Member Ott to approve the minutes for February 14th, 2019 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No public participation.

REPORT OF COMMISSION MEMBERS:

No commission reports.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Chair Schwalenberg discussed the Knowles Nelson Stewardship Funding with the commission.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION:

g. Knowles Nelson Stewardship Funding

Backus discussed the future of the Knowles Nelson Stewardship Funding with the commission.



a. Resolution Authorizing Grant Application for Fox River State Recreation Trail

Backus discussed the maintenance projects for the Fox River State Recreation Trail with the commission. Supervisor Draheim moved and Supervisory Stier seconded to send to the full county board. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Resolution Authorizing Grant Application for Friendship State Recreation Trail

Backus discussed the maintenance projects for the Friendship State Recreation Trail with the commission. Supervisor Draheim moved and Supervisory Stier seconded to send to the full county board. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Dog Walk Fundraiser at Ledge View Nature Center

Backus and Marum informed the commission of a request for a dog walk fundraiser at Ledge View to support the East Shore Humane Society. Supervisor Kleckner motioned and seconded by Supervisor Stier to support this event.

d. Off-Road Mountain Biking Trails at Calumet County Park

Mr. Backus brought to the commission the public request to refurbish current and add additional mountain biking trails at Calumet County Park. The commission requested more information and photographs of existing mountain biking courses at other parks.

e. Camp Host at Calumet County Park

Backus proposed adding a camp host site at Calumet County Park as an alternative to additional park rangers. Supervisor Stier motioned and seconded by Citizen Member Ott to move forward with adding a camp host and site for 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Request to store emergency equipment at Calumet County Park

Mr. Backus informed the commission of the request to store emergency equipment for the Stockbridge Fire Department. The commission requested the Backus look into possible funding and more information for this project.

h. Ledge View Building Design

Backus showed the commission a potential building design for the Ledge View Nature Center building addition. Backus will continue working on the design and will bring to the next commission meeting.

Director's Report

a. Ledge View's Monthly Reports

Marum went over the naturalist reports with the Commission.

b. Winter damage to storage building at Calumet County Park

Backus informed the commission of winter damage to one of the storage buildings at Calumet County Park.

UPCOMING MEETING:

The next scheduled Parks Commission meeting will be May 9th, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Supervisor Draheim moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Kleckner and the motion carried unanimously. The commission adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Hansen, Office/Program Manager/Recording Secretary

Adam Backus, Parks Director

Calumet County Parks Department

Unapproved Minutes
