

CALUMET COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES

May 14th, 2020

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

Members Excused: Supervisor Laughrin

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

Director Backus called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Election of Chair - Nominations by voice vote. Supervisor Mary Schwalenberg received nomination; there were no other nominations.

Moved by Supervisor Stier and seconded by Supervisor Kleckner to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mary Schwalenberg as Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Vice Chair - Nominations by voice vote. Supervisor Pete Stier received nomination; there were no other nominations.

Moved by Chair Schwalenberg and seconded by Supervisor Kleckner to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Pete Stier as Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Schwalenberg assumed the role of Chair of the Commission

Approval of the Agenda:

Supervisor Kleckner moved, seconded by Supervisor Stier to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Supervisor Hartl moved, seconded by Supervisor Stier to approve the minutes for March 12th, 2020 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No public participation.



REPORT OF COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Citizen Member Ott brought up public concerns with how trail users are parking at the trail access point on Ott Road.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Backus let the commission know about some correspondence about the Shannon Property that will be shared at the next meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION:**a. Parks Operations as it relates to the 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic**

Mr. Backus updated the commission on the current parks operations in place during the Covid-19 pandemic.

b. Meeting Date and Time

Backus discussed with the commission the option to change the current commission meeting date and time. Supervisor Draheim moved to keep the current scheduled meeting date and time of the Second Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m., seconded by Supervisor Stier. A roll call vote was taken. Supervisor Draheim and Supervisor Stier voted yay. Chair Schwalenberg, Supervisor Hartl, Supervisor Kleckner, Citizen Member Ott, and County Board Chair Connors voted nay. Motion failed.

Supervisor Draheim moved to change the current meeting date and time to the First Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m., seconded by Supervisor Stier. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Richard Kampfer Fund

Mr. Backus asked for the commission's approval of accepting \$8,464.00 in donations from the Richard Kampfer Memorial Fund for a new snapping turtle tank and display. Supervisor Draheim moved and seconded by Supervisor Kleckner to accept the donation. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report**a. Campsite and Cabins Development update**

Backus updated the commission on the campsite and cabin projects and plans for moving forward.

b. Ledge View's Monthly Reports

Marum went over the naturalist reports with the Commission.

UPCOMING MEETING:

The next scheduled Parks Commission meeting will be determined at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:25 AM, Chair Schwalenberg adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Hansen, Office/Program Manager/Recording Secretary

Adam Backus, Parks Director

Calumet County Parks Department

Approved Minutes
