

Rib Mountain Park Commission
May 12, 2015
Meeting Minutes

Present: Chairman Bill Bursaw, Chad Grundemann, Liesle Markevitch, Duane Zeichert Andrea Larson and Brad Conklin. Streets Superintendent Scott Turner and Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter were also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Markevitch/Conklin to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2015 minutes. Questioned and carried 6:0.

In attendance was Marne Bruner who has some interest in becoming a park commissioner.

Streets and Park Report – Street Superintendent Turner stated the Doepke Nature Trail is officially open. The Town is planning a simple ribbon cutting ceremony either May 28th or June 2nd at 10:00 a.m. Scott polled members who could attend. Liesle informed Scott that she noticed some of the rails on the boardwalk are popping up. The Town continues to address reservations that had over capacity issues. Scott informed the group a solar light has been installed at Liberty Park to illuminate flag pole. The Town received a \$200 donation for Doepke Park. The funds will be used toward benches on the new trail. The road crew has conducted playground equipment inspections.

Discussion Rookery View Park Stewardship Grant Application – Scott stated he had received a pdf version of the Rookery Grant application. The application is very extensive in detail. MSA also provided with the application the Park's 5 year plan. MSA aimed high for grant funds with an estimated cost of \$614,000. Scott noted this was a 50/50 grant and the Town has only budgeted \$100,000 for the project. If awarded the Town would need to seek other sources of funding.

Scott also mentioned another grant opportunity i through ACT funding. He will pursue the grant application which due on June 1st.

Recommendation of Park Kiosk Design – Chad asked members if they had any additional design options before he proceeds with a cost estimate on the project he presented at the last meeting. It also suggested if additional kiosks are installed the Committee would like to maintain the same design pattern.

Recommendation for Lake Access Markers – Scott noted some the access points may be inaccessible especially by Dove Ave and Teal Ln. There is some

concern about the drop off area. Committee members suggested that the Town should contact residents who will be affected and explain the reasoning behind the access point markings. Other concerns discussed included the possible need to conduct surveys and lot line disputes.

After some discussion, Committee members agreed the Town should proceed with the markings but start with one access point marking. Scott will pursue the costs and manufacturer of the markers. **Motion by Grundemann/Markevitch to move forward with the installation of one marker and review how the process went prior to installing additional markers. Questioned and carried 6:0.**

Discussion of Additional Swing Set at Doepke Park – Brad Conklin asked the committee members to consider the installation of another swing set at Doepke Park. He had recently been to the park and can attest for the need. The park currently has one set that has two baby swing and two standard swings. Discussion was held on location and meeting the fall radius zone. Street Superintendent Turner stated he will pursue the cost of an additional 4 seat swing set.

Park Project List –Review and Discussion – Brad Conklin provided an updated project list. The Committee discussed the Rib Mountain Lions shelter status and the need for ash tray containers at Doepke Park.

Financial Statement – Scott Turner stated the Town’s parkland fund contains about \$18,000 and the Doepke Park fund containers roughly \$13,000.

Reports form Commission Members – None

Adjournment – Motion by Markevitch/Laron to adjourn at 5:58. Questioned and carried 6:0.

Submitted by
Michelle Peter, Deputy Clerk