

Town of Rib Mountain
Park Commission Meeting
November 12, 2013

I. Call to Order: Chairperson Bill Bursaw called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.

II. Roll Call: All Commission members were present. Bill Bursaw, Brad Conklin, Chad Gundermann, Mai Herr, Liesle Dille-Markavitch, Scott Miles and Duane Zeichert. Scott Turner, Superintendent of Streets and Parks, and Andrea Larson, Bike-Ped Committee rep, were also present.

III. Approval of Minutes: Mai H made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 8, 2013 Park Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Liesle D-M. The motion passed.

IV. Streets and Parks Report: Scott T reported that a meeting was held with DNR and Army Corps of Engineers to examine the Doepke Park site. The Stewardship Grant money was to be used to construct a northern trail but wetlands made that construction impossible. Another use of the grant money would have been to construct an additional parking lots for the baseball diamonds. This idea would compromise wetlands and could not be done either. The idea of "sprucing up" Doepke Park with other amenities (additional bathrooms, paved fitness trail, additional lighting might be possible options in order to use the grant money. Brad C asked if an open shelter with grilles could be considered as he has been asked by residents if that would be possible. Scott T has asked our consultants to come up with plans for these new ideas, but has not received any new information. He asked that it be put on our next agenda so we can move forward with some planning.

The 51/29 Trail has been completed and is in use by bikers and walkers. The Eagle Dr access has been widened and striped for bike use. The Commission should consider planting additional shrubery at the north end of the trail to help block view into nearby homes.

V. Doepke Park Insulation: Scott T had received two bids for the ceiling insulation at the Doepke Park shelter. He recommended accepting the quote from Home Insulation for \$2240 for installing foam insulation around piping and vents and the ceiling insulation. After discussion, Chad G made the motion to accept the contract with Home Insulation taking the money from the Park Maintenance budget. Brad C seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VI. Park and Recreation Plan Update: Survey questions were presented by Scott T. Discussion on how to administer survey was held. Town Beat, Facebook, webpage, or insert into the tax bills were discussed. There was continued discussion of the survey questions submitted by Fred Heider (NCWRPC). Comments and revisions of some questions will be forwarded to Commission members for approval and then sent to Fred Heider. Chad G made the motion to accept the revised questions after Fred H had approved them. Liesle D-M seconded the motion. It passed.

VII. Election of Officers: Bill Bursaw was nominated as president. Chad Gundermann was nominated as vice president. Scott Miles was nominated as secretary. The Commission voted unanimously to approve all officers. (Liesle Dille-Markavitch will serve as "honorary secretary" whenever Scott M is not available.)

VIII. Financial Statement: The statement was reviewed but no questions were forthcoming.

IX. Open Discussion: Andrea said that the Bike-Ped Committee would try to have a rep at Park Commission meetings. This should help communication and planning between the two groups. Brad C mentioned that he had a conversation with a Weston resident about a site in their town that was being considered for a bike park. (Liberty Park had also been considered.) He would check to see if that is going to happen and report back on what that would mean for the Liberty Park site. This should be included as an agenda item at our next meeting.

X. Adjourn: Liesle D-M made the motion to adjourn. Duane Z seconded it. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Scott Miles