

Richland County Parks Commission
June 2nd, 2014
Meeting Minutes

The June 2nd, 2014 meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Bob Bellman, at 5:30 p.m. Members present were Bob Bellman, Duane Klang, Charles Parduhn, Gary Peters, Don Seep, Chris Carley, Snowmobile Alliance President, Barb Scott, Jason Marshall, Michael Schindhelm, Town & County Engineering, Cathy Cooper and Tammy Cannoy-Bender. Steve Kohlstedt was absent. Larry Jewell arrived later.

Tammy mailed the agenda out and it was posted at the Courthouse bulletin board. Chip Parduhn moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification; seconded by Gary Peters. Motion carried.

Motion made by Gary Peters to approve the minutes of the May 5th, 2014 meeting second made by Duane Klang. Motion carried.

The website and the purchase of a lap top computer with a MIFI and the maintenance of the website were next on the agenda, Barb Scott, MSI/IT presented the board with the information regarding the purchase of the equipment needed. After much discussion of the matter the motion was made by Don Seep to approve the purchase of a lap top computer at the cost of \$768.15, a MIFI and the monthly connection fee for a cost of \$40.00 a month; second made by Gary Peters. Motion carried.

Next chairman Bellman dropped down to item 9 of the agenda "Bike Trail"; Mike Schinehelm presented the report on the city sewer update. The contractor that was selected for the project is James Peters and Sons. Mike handed out a schedule of the impact the pre-construction will have on the bike trail. (Schedule attached to master minutes). Main construction will start on September 1st, 2014. The contractor is hoping to have things done before the end of the year. "Chip" Parduhn will be the contact for the survey crew. The county portion if the trail will need to be closed by August 11th. Signage was discussed and where to have the information on the status of the trail available for the general public. Discussion of an alternative trail was discussed and will be further discussed at the July meeting. Larry Jewell arrived at this point in the meeting.

Next was the timber sale off of the bike trail. Cathy was informed by County Clerk Victor Vlasak that the moneys received for the timber sale off of the trail will need to have a resolution in order for the money to be credited back to the parks budget. Cathy spoke with Ben Southwick, Corporation Counsel; he confirmed that yes a resolution will be required. \$638.21 Motion made by Gary Peters to accept the \$638.21 by resolution and take this to County Board having the money deposited back into the Park Commission budget for bike trail maintenance, second made by Duane Klang. Motion carried.

At this point Chairman Bellman continued on to the Snowmobile Alliance Report. Cheryl Dull, Richland County Zoning Technician, is asking to have the snowmobile trails in the next Richland County plat book. Cathy suggested Chris Carley, President of the Snowmobile Alliance, to inform Cheryl to not include the trails in the book as trails and landowners are forever changing. Cathy also let them know that she and Tammy have been working with Steve Kohlstedt to get the 2013 snowmobile grant completed.

Next Chairman Bellman went to the Rifle Range item on the agenda. Nothing new to report

Rockbridge Park

A - The archeological dig was discussed, Chairman Bellman reviewed a letter that he had received from George Christiansen and the letter had a total of over \$7,400 for the total cost including the dig. This amount is more than what was originally discussed. George will start between June 16th and July 3rd, 2014. Discussion followed with the committee members as they remember that originally the dollar amount was \$5,000. Chairman Bellman will get in touch with George and then inform the committee members as to what has been discussed. The committee wants to have George hold off on the June 16th start date until the questions they have are answered.

B - Location of a donated bench. Chairman Bellman suggested that Mr. Bewick attend the July meeting. Cathy will contact Mr. Bewick to invite him to the July meeting.

C – Title search. Don Clark still wishes to donate land to the Rockbridge “Pier” Park. The cost of the title search is \$250.00. Ben Southwick, Corporation Counsel, has informed Chairman Bellman that the gift will not be accepted until the Parks Commission approves the expense of the title search. Motion made by Don Seep to approve the approximately \$250.00 for the title search, second made by Gary Peters. Motion carried.

D – Playground equipment. This will be back on the July agenda.

E – Staircase & Footbridge will also be on the July agenda.

A plan needs to be created for the park. The bricks that were delivered to the park from the Symons Center are being stolen before they can be utilized at the park

Cathy and Kent had the well tested and it has come back clean of any bacteria.

Public Input - Don handed out the Hidden Valley maps and Magazine He discussed how these items help promote the county as a whole, In 2020 Richland County will be the featured County. Don passed out a map of Richland County that shows the out of the area land owners. Chairman Bellman has been informed that people have been camping at the boat landings in Port Andrews and Orion. Signage needs to be placed stating that no camping is allowed. Gary Peters will go to the boat landings and check things out.

Gary reported that there are two 3” pipes in the ground at the old community center. He thinks that these are portage points. He was wondering if this committee is responsible or the city. Consensus of the committee is that the city would be responsible. Gary also reported that Mark McCauley is doing more advertising for his business “Friday Night Paddles” and he is promoting the Rockbridge Park for camping.

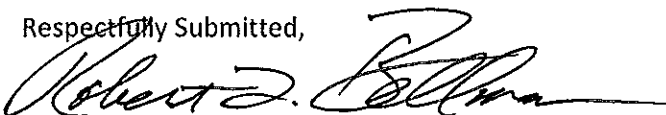
The outdoor recreation plan will be discussed more after the July meeting.

The bills were presented as follows: Town & County Sanitation, \$368.17; Nature’s Way Portable Units, \$357.00; Richland Observer, \$22.40; Walsh’s Ace Hardware. \$3.49; Cathy Cooper, \$7.35; Richland County Land Conservation, \$82.52; Richland County Snowmobile alliance, \$33,498.84; Cody Sorge & Brian Hanson, \$240.00; Kinney Brothers, \$450.00; Ron Klang, \$450.00; Al Halink, \$180.00; Walsh’s Ace Hardware, \$911.76. Don Seep moved to approve the bills, seconded by Gary Peters. Motion carried. Mike Drake’s bill was brought up and Cathy sate she would check with Tammy.

The next meeting date is July 7th, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Rockbridge Park. Larry Jewell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Duane Klang. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bob Bellman

Parks Commission Chair

Preliminary Schedule Impacts to County Bike Trail

| Tentative Key Dates | Activity |
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| July | Survey Crew Control Layout |
| July | Meet with County on fencing to be removed and replaced. |
| Early August | Meet with County on clearing limitations. |
| August 4th | Survey Crew Construction Staking |
| August 11th | Construction Mobilization on Trail |
| August 11th or Aug 18th | Trail to be closed to the public |
| August 18th | Begin clearing trees, removing fence and other preparations beginning at Foundry Drive heading east |
| Sept 1st thru end of year | 1st open cut crews begin at Spring Creek, head east to new WWTP |
| Sept 1st thru October | 2nd open cut crews begin at Spring Creek, head west to new Foundry Drive |
| Sept 1st thru October | 1 HDD crew begin on wetlands east of spring creek, head west to CTH-O, then Sawmill Rd then Twin Bluffs Rd |
| Nov-14 or in the winter | Outfall Pipeline construction by 2nd open cut crew |
| end of year with follow up in Spring 2015 | Complete Restoration |
| Winter shutdown of snowmobile trail | If there are schedule delays the trail may need to be shutdown during snowmobile season |