

Richland County Parks Commission
December 2nd, 2019
Meeting Minutes

#1 The December 2nd, 2019 meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Peters at 5:30 p.m. Those present were Gary Peters, John Collins, Kerry Severson, Steve Kohlstedt, Cindy Chicker, Gary Manning, Tracy Gobin and Cathy Cooper. Brad Wegner was absent.

#2 The agenda was mailed out and it was posted at the Courthouse bulletin board, Steve Kohlstedt moved to approve the agenda and proof of notification second made by Gary Manning. Motion carried.

#3 Motion made by Cindy Chicker to approve the minutes of the November meeting as sent out second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

#4 Public input; nothing.

#5; Bike trail update; groups have been meeting to get things going for fund raising and grant writing. Cathy reported on the grant for the bridge by Doudna School (see item #11) discussion on the ATV route, rumors are flying around as to the status. It was suggested to have Cathy contact the state regarding the status of the ATV/UTV plan. Some of the Snowmobile Alliance members are asking to have the pile of screenings moved from the current location for easier access to the shed and the equipment within the shed.

#6 Rifle Range; Varying commission members reported that it was a mess after deer hunting season. Cathy reported that the dumpster should have been removed after the deer hunting season.

#7 Rockbridge Park; the kayak landing pier was never placed for the season. The old snowmobile bridge that is at the park can be dismantled.

#8 Viola Park; Gary Peters didn't notice anything out of the ordinary as he drove pass the park. Discussion of a sign regarding this park is a carry in/carry out of all garbage and to not have a dumpster at the park for the 2020 season.

#9 Kayak Landing at State Highway 80 & County Highway SR. Nothing happening yet.

#10; Snowmobile Alliance; Kerry Severson reported that there is still a lot of corn in some of the fields that the trail would normally go through, so they are working on asking some other property owners to go thru their property for the season. Motion made by Steve Kohlstedt to waive the signing date of December 15th for property owners and move it to January 7th, 2020 due to weather & crop field conditions, second made by Gary Manning. Motion carried.

Kerry reported that the Blue River trail may be open with assistance from individuals. Richwood township is asking for something in writing that they are not responsible for any accidents on Smiling Goat Rd. It was suggested that Kerry give the township a copy of the state statutes regarding recreational trails.

#11 Snowmobile Grant; Cathy reported that the grant is on the County Board agenda for December for applying for and accepting the grant. Suggested for the alliance to contact Rich Wanless regarding his schedule on doing the rip rap.

#12 Boat Landings; Nothing new to report. John Collins reported that another picnic table was requested for the Port Andrews boat landing. This is in the work plan.

#13 Long Range Recreation Plan; Still working on it.

#14 Committee member reports; Nothing new to report

#15 Other business. A. Copier, printer & scanner machine; Have this on the January agenda.

#16 The following bills were presented for December; Nature's Way Portable Units, \$412.50; All American Do it Center, \$193. 80. Motion made by Cindy Chicker to pay the December bills as presented, second made by Kerry Severson. Motion carried.

#17 The next meeting will be on Monday January 6th, 2020. Meeting will begin at 5:30 pm in the conference room of the Ag Service Center, 26136 Executive Ln.

Steve Kohlstedt wished everyone a Happy Holiday season.

#18 Motion made by Kerry Severson to adjourn the meeting, second made by John Collins. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 6:13
pm.

Gary Peters

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Parks Commission Chair