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The Menominee County
Parks and Recreation Committee
will meet on **Wednesday ~ March 10, 2010**
at **5:30 p.m. C.S.T. at Stephenson Annex**

AGENDA

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Agenda
- D. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- E. Public Comment
- F. Business
 - a. Review of 5 year Recreation Plan
 - b. Park Committee Bylaws
 - c. Summer Employment
 - d. Changes in park rules
 - e. DNR Grant
 - f. Prisoner work van
 - g. Estimate for the replacement of the Pit Toilet Roof
 - h. Tree Costs
 - i. Cell Phone
 - j. Reservation software
 - k. Park Ranger Report
 - l. Park entrance sign
 - m. Upkeep at Chappee Rapids and Bailey Fishing Museum
 - n. Hannahville Indian Community 2% grant-picnic tables/roof @ Kleinke.
- G. Correspondence
- H. Any Other Items Members Wish to Present
- I. Public Comment
- J. Adjournment

Gary Eichhorn - Chairperson

Dick Peterson - Vice Chairperson

Bernie Lang

James Furlong

Garry Anderson

Menominee County
Parks and Recreation Committee
February 10 2010
Minutes

Members present: Vola Bleile, Bob Desjarlais, Ruby Ivens, Judy Bright, Gail Jerzyk, Commissioners Richard Peterson and James Furlong, and County Administrator Brian Bousley. Al Thompson (Parks Dept.) was also present.

The meeting was held at the Stephenson Annex. Desjarlais called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. Roll was called and all members of the Parks Committee were present.

Ivens questioned what the rules were for adding to the agenda. Desjarlais said any items members wish to discuss should be presented before the agenda was approved. Bright questioned why the By Laws and the Five Year Plan had been omitted? Ivens wanted to know why Jerzyk was only given a 2year term when the By Laws stated each member should have a 3 year term, staggered. It was decided the By Laws and Five Year Plan would be moved to the March meeting.

Peterson made a motion to approve the agenda with a second from Furlong. Motion carried. Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes made by Bright, seconded by Bleile with the following corrections.

1. Bright's name be added to Members present.
2. Page 2 second paragraph adding motion carried.
3. Page 2 fifth paragraph last sentence removed.
4. Page 2 sixth paragraph change Q-Pad to CUPPAD

No public comment

DNR Grant: Bousley called Road Development and they won't do anything. They suggested he apply for a grant from Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. Peterson made a motion to form a committee of Bousley, Bright, Ivens and Thompson to write the grant. Ivens seconded. Motion carried.

Dead line to receive Lease Site payments is February 16, 2010. They have in the past allowed a few extra days because of the mail. About half the payments have been received.

Desjarlais again brought up the 20 Wisconsin campers without license plates. Bright questioned if they were actually illegal? Desjarlais said it was not fair to Michigan residents, especially Menominee County residents who have current license plates. Furlong said the parks should enforce they be up to date. He suggested the lease papers specify current license. This would have to go before the county board and be approved first.

Ivens was concerned about the amount of electricity being used at the lease sites. Thompson stated all sites are not on the same meters. A print out from last year (2009) could be requested from the electric company.

Ivens was also concerned about the long waiting list for lease sites. Desjarlais said those on the waiting list could be called to see if they want to remain on the list.

Bousley called Menominee Conservation District for a price on 10-15 ft. trees. Rangers reported small seedlings are often damaged or even removed. They plant 1,500 seedlings each year.

Larger trees could not be removed so easily. Maple trees are preferred. Thompson felt someone could be hired with a tree spade to move some larger trees from the back of the park to the front.

Furlong felt it would be good to plant seedlings in the back until they were larger. Orders have to be submitted by April 1, 2010 and picked up by April 24, 2010. Planting them soon after. The U.P. Hidden Coast meeting will be at City Hall in Menominee on Thursday, February 24. Bousley stated Marinette County owns their Reservation System. He will get more information when the person in charge returns to town.

Bousley said he would have to advertise in the local papers for summer employees. Thompson said to use park equipment the employee would have to be 18 years old. They would be given a booklet to study and instructions before being tested. Usually 4-5 employees were hired. Thompson also said he had talked with Al Gritzon about using jail inmates who are on the work release program. It would cost the Park \$1.50 a day per inmate. They could only be used one day per week. The number of inmates would change from week to week. Inmates have been used at the park in the past. Furlong made the motion for Bousley to advertise in the local papers for summer employees. Bleile seconded his motion. Motion was carried.

Karen Kayser will be returning this summer. Peterson suggested she come to the next meeting and give a presentation about how she runs the Holiday Weekends at Shakey Lakes Park. The two rangers, Jim and Mike, had some concerns about Park Rules. They are being asked to attend the March meeting to explain. Furlong thought we should ask Dan Hass his opinion on how the rangers can enforce the Rules and write tickets. Bousley will get more information on cell phones for the Parks.

Desjarlais made a motion to move the meeting time to 5:30 p.m. with a second from Furlong. Motion carried.

At 7:23 p.m. Desjarlais turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Ivens as he had to leave.

Photos were passed around showing the Pit Toilet at Kleinke Park and the needed repairs.

Furlong made a motion to do the repairs with a second from Ivens. Motion carried.

Shower stalls at Kleinke Park bathhouse also need repairs. Thompson said the company who installed the shower stalls should do the work. Bousley will get more information.

Furlong made a motion the park employees take down the old tool shed at Shakey Lakes Park. Bleile seconded. Motion carried.

The shop doors at Shakey Lakes Park have been replaced.

Alternative ideas for more shower stalls at the Shakey Lakes Park need more thought.

Bousley received a complaint from a man who lives near Shakey Lakes Park. He said drivers are using his driveway to turn around when they miss the entrance to the Park. He was concerned about the safety of his children when they were in his yard. Bright made a motion to have the rangers put up a temporary sign until a permanent one could be made and installed in the spring. Furlong made a second. Motion carried.

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No correspondence.

No public comment.

A motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. was made by Peterson with a second by Bleile.

Gail Jerzyk, Secretary
Menominee County
Parks & Recreation Committee