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## MENOMINEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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The Menominee County  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
will meet on **Wednesday ~ May 12, 2010**  
at **2:00 p.m. C.D.T. at Stephenson Annex**

### AGENDA

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Agenda
- D. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2010
- E. Public Comment
- F. Business
  - a. Revision of Park Rules
  - b. June visit from Michelle DeWitt from CUPPAD – Preparation for 5 year Recreation Plan
  - c. Budget plans for Capital Outlay Items
- G. Correspondence
- H. Any Other Items Members Wish to Present
- I. Public Comment
- J. Adjournment

*Gary Eichhorn - Chairperson*

*Bernie Lang*

*James Furlong*

*Garry Anderson*

Menominee County  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
April 14 2010  
Minutes

Members present were Vola Bleile, Judy Bright, Bob Desjarlais. Ruby Ivens, Gail Jerzyk. Commissioner James Furlong, Commissioner Berny Lang, County Administrator Brian Bousley. Also Present were Al Thompson Assist. Supt. Park & Grounds, Park Rangers Jim Quist & Mike Seig, III.

Candy Curran Men. Cty. Fair Bd. asked to be added first to the agenda because of a time need. Furlong made a motion with a second from Ivens to add Curran to the agenda. Motion carried. Motion to approve previous meeting Minutes was made by Furlong with a second by Bleile. Motion carried.

No Public comment.

- Business:
- a. Curran stated the Wis Pulling Ass. asked to have the tractor pulling area at the park be extended. She & Jim took some measurements which would equal about 3 camp sites. The project could not be completed this year but cost should be looked into. She could apply for a grant but board approval would be needed first. She invited the board to the May 3, 2010 Fair Board meeting.
  - b. Bousley reported (27) 12 ft. Norway Red Maple trees had been purchased from Paidl's. Trees are already planted. Rangers transplanted trees from the back to the front of Shakey Lakes Park.
  - c. Review of the lease site letter. Bright stated she had spoke with Steve Wery & Karen Kayser about allowing the people to pick their own sites. They said it had been done. Ivens was concerned about setting a precedence in past practices. She felt the lease site rules should be reviewed. Rangers & Thompson stated as water sites become available they could not be lease sites in the future. Desjarlais requested a map of the parks showing which are at present water leased sites, present lease sites, pull through sites, water sites and short term sites for the May meeting. Bright made a motion to allow lease site #22 to move to site #17. Furlong added a second & motion carried.
  - d. Menominee County does own Bailey Park property but Bousley still isn't clear about Chappee Rapids.
  - e. Review of changes in Park rules. The rules will be retyped to add "Rangers" have the authority to enforce Park rules. Quist asked if horses are allowed in the parks. Furlong made a motion to change park rules to state horses can only be rode in the designated horse arena. Bleile made a second & motion carried.
  - f. 5-yr. Plan review of sect. 5 to 7, pages 34 to 39.  
Sect. 5.2 page 35 Shakey Lakes Park #4 The metal fish cleaning station hasn't been built. #6 Concrete fire rings have been installed. #7 A grant

has been applied for to install a handicapped accessible bathhouse.

Page 36 Bailey Park #3 Signs need to be installed to educate the Public about the hazard of getting their cars stuck if going into certain areas. Trees could possibly be planted to block getting to close. Hiking trails could be added. Thompson requested 9 concrete fire pits. Page 36 Mason Park Furlong suggested it be cleaned and bushed so the public could be more aware of things going on in the park. Rangers stated garbage is often dumped and picnic tables are thrown in the river.

Kleinke Park: Concrete fire pits have been installed on lakeside. New Grills have been added in the picnic area. Playground equipment is old.

River Park: Thompson suggested adding water, electricity and a retaining wall. Previous well was plugged with concrete in 1967. A hand pump for water is all the Health Dept requires. The pit toilet would accommodate 25 camp sites.

There is no cost for applying for a camping permit. Health Dept could meet around 3 or 4 p.m. with the board one afternoon. Page 37 Airport Park:

Rangers said a bush hog could be used to clear a trail out to the water. The bush hog could not be used during nesting season. Renting a port-a-potty was suggested. Stoney Point Boat Landing: A new dock is needed. Longrie is not being used at this time but could be made into a rustic campground. Pages 37, 38 & 39: Keep the same.

g. Park Ranger/ Administrator Update:

Thompson reported water testing is completed. Fuel tanks were moved the required 800 ft. from the wells and a fence built around each. The cost was \$1,330.00. Well caps have been changed to vented caps at a cost of \$48.00 each. Place mats will be ready for Reservation Day April 26<sup>th</sup>. Selling the ads have already showed a profit of \$1000.00. The place mats will be used for the 2010 & 2011 camping season. Rangers do not have sand & gravel jobs completed yet. Picnic tables need more screws to complete. Bousley spoke with Darrell at the County Road Comm. Office about the chains at the park entrance. Darrell said no because there wasn't history of any accidents. Bousley and Desjarlais felt a fishing platform should be built. Cost will be looked into. Sign entrance will be up next month. For summer help each ranger will need one helper, Thompson one and Kayser 1 ½, all total 4 ½ employees beside the work release. Mrs. Mickey Plautz donated \$1000.00 for playground equipment in Memory of her husband.

Bousley was questioned if there was a charge if a lease site renter brought their camper in before May 1<sup>st</sup>. Furlong made a motion to charge the daily rate. Ivens made a second & motion carried.

No Correspondence

No public comment.

Motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. was made by Bleile with a second from Bright. Motion carried.

Gail Jerzyk secretary  
Menominee County Parks Committee

## Brian Bousley

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**From:** Michelle Dewitt - CUPPAD [mdewitt.cuppad@charterinternet.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 06, 2010 7:51 AM  
**To:** Brian Bousley  
**Subject:** RE: Parks Meeting

Good morning Brian-

I can make it to the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, as long as it is early in the day. I have a meeting in Munising at 5:00pm CT. As far as updates for the new plan there is a list that we'll need to review. Items that are in need of review/updates are as follows:

1. Method of public input (surveys, focus groups, public input sessions, etc.)
2. Updated inventory of county owned recreation facilities (size, equipment, accessibility assessment, condition)
3. Status and condition of projects that were previously funded by MDNR grants
4. Recreation budget for the next 5 years (revenue/expenditures)
5. Role of volunteers
6. Relationship with school districts and other public and private organizations
7. Update county employees responsible for recreation
8. Update goals/objectives (can be done after public input, but good to start on it)
9. Update 5-year action/development plan

CUPPAD can assist with reformatting the plan and updating demographic data and maps.

Let me know what is decided on for a meeting time and I'll be there. Please let me know if you have additional questions or concerns before the June meeting. Thank you.

Michelle

MENOMINEE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION  
PARK RULES

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO THE  
OPERATION OF COUNTY PARKS SO THAT THEY MAY BETTER SERVE THE PEOPLE  
OF MENOMINEE COUNTY.

SECTION 1:

These Rules shall be known as the "PARK RULES" of the Menominee County Parks.

SECTION 2: SUPERVISION OF PARKS

A) SUPERVISION - All County owned Parks located in Menominee County, shall be operated and maintained under the direction of the Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee through its designated Park Superintendent. B) ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES - The Park Superintendent, Park Rangers as well as all law enforcement agencies operating within the County of Menominee including Menominee County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police Department, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources shall see to the enforcement of all provisions relating to these parks as contained in this ordinance. C) AMUSEMENT FOR GAIN - No amusement for gain for which a charge is made can be conducted in the park without the consent of the Menominee County Parks & Recreation Committee.

SECTION 3: DEBRIS, FIRE

Each person, organization or corporate group using the public works and grounds shall clean up all debris, extinguish all fires when such fires are permitted, and leave the premises in good order, and the facilities in a neat and sanitary condition.

SECTION 4: OPEN FIRES

No person shall kindle or build fires in any park except in fireplaces, fire rings, or stoves provided for that purpose. For observed violations of this section, the Park Superintendent, Park Rangers or others acting in their behalf, may request fires be extinguished at any given time. Upon leaving such fires, it shall be the duty of all persons using the fire to see that said fire is extinguished.

## SECTION 5: INJURY TO PARK PROPERTY

No person shall obstruct any walk or drive in any park and no person shall injure, mar, or damage any matter, in a monument, ornament, fence, bridge, seat, tree, fountain, shrub, flower, playground equipment, fireplace, picnic table or other public property within or pertaining to any park.

## SECTION 6: POLLUTION

No person shall throw, discharge or other-wise place or caused to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, bay, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or tributary, stream, storm sewer, drain flowing into such water, any substance, matter or things liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of said waters.

## SECTION 7: SOURCE OF RUBBISH

No person shall bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse, or other trash in any waste containers provided in any park in the County of Menominee for that purpose unless such bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse, or trash originates from a permitted use of the parks.

## SECTION 8: INFLAMMATORY LANGUAGE

No person shall make any statement to any other person, within ear shot of said person, or about another person, capable of being heard by such other person, which is derogatory, inflammatory, profane, disrespectful, or which describes a sexual activity, or which questions the lineage of such person, or which in anyway can be reasonably interpreted to raise anger of such person hearing such communication. This portion does not purport to limit the free flow of ideas or speech but does intend to prohibit such speech as may interrupt a peaceful enjoyment of Menominee County's Parks.

## SECTION 9: SAFETY OF OTHERS

No person shall endanger the safety of any other person by any conduct or act or permit any assault, battery, or engage in fighting within a park regulated by this chapter. No glass containers allowed in parks.

## SECTION 10: SOUND SYSTEMS

No person shall use a sound amplification device or any other device that creates noise in excess of the sound level at which the contents of such sound disturbs or annoys a person of average hearing—is used in conjunction with a park assembly permit and is authorized by such permit. Any sound amplification device used in conflict with this permission is subject to seizure by the Park Superintendent, Park Rangers, the Menominee County Sheriff's Department, the Michigan State Police Department, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and or any other authorized law enforcement agency. During quiet hours, distance shall be size of campsite. Between 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. all sound systems will be turned off.

## SECTION 11: SWIMMING

No person, without proper attire shall swim, bathe, or wade in any water or water ways in or adjacent to any park, except in such waters and such places that are designated therefore, and in compliance with regulations that are established and posted by the Park Superintendent and in accordance with the direction of any authorized personnel, present and sitting at the designated site.

## SECTION 12: PARK HOURS

Park hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Anyone found in the park after 10 p.m. not camping with a permit, will be construed to be trespassing and may be prosecuted.

## SECTION 12A: PARK CLOSING

Any park, section, or part of the park, may be declared closed to the public by the Park Superintendent or by any other authorized personnel in situations where health, safety and welfare of the general public could be jeopardized if the park were to remain open. As an example, an emergency closing could occur during a tornado, fire, or civil disobedience. The park cannot be closed permanently without authorization from the Parks & Recreation Committee and the Menominee County Board of Commissioners. An emergency meeting of the Committee is to be called within 72 hours of the closing. Failure to call a meeting or to gain approval from a majority of the Committee would require that the park be re-opened immediately after 72 hours.

### SECTION 13: ANIMALS

Any animal brought into the Park shall be under immediate control and on a leash not to exceed 6 feet in length which would not allow animals onto another camp site. No animal shall be on the beach.

No horses or riding of horses is allowed in the park except in designated areas. The only designated areas for horses are presently located at Shakey Lakes Park.

### SECTION 14: ANIMAL REMOVAL

Any animal found within any county park not in the possession or under the immediate control of the owner or the owner's agent as set forth above, or any animal creating a nuisance or disturbance, may be removed from the park by park personnel or animal control officer.

### SECTION 15: SALES

It shall be unlawful for any person other than employees of Menominee County, acting on behalf of the County, to vend, to sell, peddle or offer for sale, any commodity article within the park, unless such sale is authorized by the Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee.

### SECTION 16: CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, transport, or have under their immediate control any intoxicating liquor, unless the person has attained the age of 21 years.

Transport or possess a controlled substance as defined by Section 7104 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended, being section 333.7104 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

### SECTION 17: SIGNS

It shall be unlawful for any person to paste, glue, tack, or otherwise post or permanently affix any sign, placard, advertisement, banner, or inscription, unless otherwise pre-approved by Park Superintendent. Nor shall any person erect or cause to be erected any sign on any public lands or highways or roads adjacent to a public park, but, this section shall not apply to any properly authorized government official acting pursuant to his official duties.

SECTION 18: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PERMIT

Any person or organization applying for an assembly permit and desiring to dispense alcoholic beverages for sale, (non-profit organization) must first secure a license for same from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission and secure liquor liability insurance and display evidence of such license and insurance to the Menominee County Sheriff and the Menominee County Parks & Recreation Committee prior to said assembly permit being granted. There is a minimum refundable deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) required.

SECTION 19: CAMPING PERMITS

It shall be unlawful for any person, organization or corporate group to camp without a camping permit issued by the Menominee County Park System.

- A) It shall be unlawful for any person to obtain a camping permit for use of a camping party for which he is not a member.
- B) The senior member of any camping party having obtained a permit as set forth above must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- C) It shall be unlawful for non-campers to visit between the hours of 10:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.
- D) Campers shall inform the office if they plan to leave a campsite unoccupied for more than twenty-four (24) hours.

SECTION 19A: CAMPING PERMIT VIOLATION

Any violation of any section of the above ordinance may result in revocation of any County Park camping permit or eviction from the park or both.

SECTION 20: CAMPING

Campsites are allocated 50% for short-term use (less than 14 days) and 50% for long-term use (over 14 days). Site designation to be determined by Parks Superintendent or his designee.

SECTION 20A: CAMPSITE CLEANUP

Minimum clean-up charge of \$10.00 to the registered camper for Park Personnel having to clean up a campsite.

### SECTION 21: QUIET HOURS

Quiet hours shall prevail in the campground between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

### SECTION 22: DIGGING

It shall be unlawful for any person, individual, organization or corporate group to do any trenching or digging on the campsite or the surrounding area.

### SECTION 23: MOTOR VEHICLES, PURPOSES

The use of a registered motor vehicle in any County Park shall be for the purpose of establishing a camp and for transportation in and out of the campground. "CRUISING" or "JOY RIDING" within any County Park is strictly prohibited.

### SECTION 24: MOTOR VEHICLES, OPERATION

A) It shall be unlawful for any individual to operate or park a motor vehicle within a park except on roads or designated parking areas. It is also illegal for a vehicle to be in the park after 10:00 p.m. without an annual permit issued by the park office. If a vehicle is found without an annual permit it shall be deemed illegally parked and subject to a parking violation fee of \$10 per day. When a motor vehicle is found parked in the park area, the registration plate displayed on the vehicle shall constitute prima facie evidence that the owner of the vehicle was the person who parked it on the location where it was found. B) Motor vehicles cannot be operated on a park road or parking lot at a speed in excess of ten (10) miles per hour or as posted or in an unsafe manner or by disobeying traffic signals or signs.

### SECTION 25: OFF ROAD VEHICLES

It shall be unlawful to operate an off-the-road motor driven vehicle such as a minibike, motorcycle, snowmobile, ATV or any motorized device except on designated roads, trails, or areas posted for such use without proper prior written authorization from the Park Superintendent or Park Rangers.

## SECTION 26: MASS GATHERINGS

Campsites are provided for reasonably quiet outdoor recreational experiences. Mass gatherings are only permitted pursuant to a permit for such purpose obtained in the manner set forth in the "Menominee County Mass Gathering Ordinance" as adopted by the Menominee County Board of Commissioners on June 3, 1977.

## SECTION 27: FIREARMS AND HUNTING

It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt within park boundaries. It shall also be unlawful for any person to carry or possess within the boundaries of a County Park any firearm unless unloaded in both barrel and magazine. This provision does not apply to a target range officially established, supervised, and sanctioned by the Menominee County Parks & Recreation Committee.

## SECTION 28: OTHER WEAPONS

It shall be unlawful for any person to carry or possess within the boundaries of any County Park items such as: air gun, gas gun, spring loaded gun, or sling-shot.

## SECTION 29: BOW AND ARROW

It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot with a bow and arrow within or onto the boundaries of any County Park unless said shooting is done on a designated archery range.

## SECTION 30: PAVILION RENTAL

Rental of Park Pavilion is available for \$30.00 plus \$10.00 security deposit.

## SECTION 31: STORAGE

Off-site storage of boats and/or trailers is available at Shakey Lakes Parks from May through September (except Fair Days) at a cost of \$1.00/day or \$25.00/month.

### SECTION 32: PENALTIES

Any violation of any section of this ordinance shall be deemed a civil infraction, and any person upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and cost of prosecution.

### SECTION 33: SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this regulation or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be found to be invalid by a court, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portion or applications of this regulation which can be given effect without the invalid portion or application, provided such remaining portions are not determined by the Court to be inoperable, and to this end this regulation is declared to be severable.

### SECTION 34: ADOPTION

It is hereby ordained by the People of Menominee County, represented by the County Board of Commissioners, that the foregoing regulations affecting the public health, safety, and welfare of the County of Menominee are hereby adopted.

### SECTION 35: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect sixty days subsequent to proposal by the Menominee County Parks & Recreation Committee and adoption by the Menominee County Board of Commissioners. All ordinances or part of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED: April 10, 1984  
REVISED: July 11, 1989  
REVISED: April 30, 1991  
REVISED: November 23, 1992  
REVISED: February 27, 1995  
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REVISED: February 26, 1996  
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