

Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes – August 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair, Bob Desjarlais at River Park.

Reporting for roll call were: Bob Desjarlais, Dick Peterson, Kathy Branz, Mike Kass, Administrator Jason Carviou and County Commissioner Bill Cech. Excused were Vola Bleile and County Commissioner Larry Phelps. Others present were Karen Kayser and Eric Tickler.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Bill Cech to approve the agenda; support by Mike Kass. Motion carried.

Minutes: Mike Kass made a motion to accept the June 4th, 2018 minutes supported by Dick Peterson. All in agreement - motion carried.

Public Comments: Eric Tickler stated the Fair went very well this year. He asked if the Parks Board had any feedback. There was still some clean up to do. He stated they are getting the finances in place and would advise at a later date. There are some Department of Agriculture grants available and Eric would like to apply to replace the doors on the Fair Building and some updates. Those that he mentioned would be electrical in the stage area by the truck pull, 1 or 2 50AMP outlets by the Lions Pavilion (none there now). Bob stated this would be up to the Fair Board, but the Parks Committee would have to be notified so they can proceed with their own upgrade.

Bill Cech said the Fair Board had a great crew this year and everything went well.

Business:

- a. Picnic Tables – Jim has 4-5 tables left to finish per Dick Peterson. Jim also told Dick the frames this year are much stronger than the ones purchased last year. There is a balance for the grant and Jason Carviou will check on this.
- b. Road Commission repair of culverts by dam at Shakey Lakes: Bob went out there and checked on the progress. There are 2 grouted and 3 welded. Per the contractor doing the work it will take 4-6 more weeks to get the culverts done and then there will be the road repair. Shakey Lakes is down about one foot from when they started, but at that time it was up 8" so we only lost 4" for lake level.
- c. Hannahville Grants – the electrical for the re-wiring of the fair building and the addition of power for handicap access on the black top have been completed. Kathy also completed the grant request with Hannahville.
- d. Review financials – At this time the financials are very favorable with the income at 85% and the expenditures at 59.3% with no big expenses foreseeable. The only question was the large amount for gas/oil for the month of July at \$2,386.32. Dick Peterson will get the breakdown on this.
- e. Look at 2018-2019 Budget – Wish list for the 2018-19 year would be to upgrade some more areas with better power. Per Karen VA6 & 7, VA1 and VA70-75 all need upgrade to 50amp. Dick Peterson also stated we should a

Bass Lake and the Point P1 & 2 and P9 &10. That would be 9 upgrades by Parks and 3 by Fair Board.

Another wish list item is to put a cabin in at Shakey Lake East. Bob received a list of items and cost to build a 24'X24' cabin on a 24' X30' slab. The cost of materials for the cabin with 6 windows and a door, 6" wall insulated and metal siding and roof (roof would be 24'X30") is \$9,295. Approximate cost of the slab would be \$2,000 (floating slab with a dipped edge 1'X1"). Discussion on lighting in the cabin resulted in Eric suggesting LED/SOLAR/BATTERY for about \$250 – would be two lights with pull chains – he uses these in part of his barn and they work very well.

Bob also suggested applying for another picnic table grant and that should give us enough tables for all the parks.

Jason suggested everyone review the proposed budget and have a final decision at our September meeting.

- f. Mason Park – Garbage: Jason explained how they have been finding garbage and tires at Mason Park. A motion by Kathy Branz to purchase 2 deer cameras with support by Bill Cech. All were in favor.
- g. Follow-up on Septic at Bailey – this will be completed later in the fall.
- h. Bidding on sewage removal – due to the cost of sewage removal from the septic tanks and from the privies it was decided to put the service out on bids. A motion by Mike Kass to make it a 3 year bid supported by Bill Cech with all in favor. Jason will get the bids out so it can be adjusted for the new budget.
- i. Shakey Lakes and Wind Rose North Outfitters 1st Annual Kayak Fishing Tournament – Dick Peterson stated the ads were good and it was well advertised. He saw the footage that Zac and his partner took at the Tournament and was impressed by the final results. There were 23 adults and 12 children registered for the Tournament. All felt this was a great turn out for the first tournament and the amount of time from start to finish. Another Tournament is being planned for the same weekend next year to take advantage of the Free Fishing Weekend from the MI DNR.
- j. Definition of a Camp – previously a part of rules – Karen had a posting in the office to designate what is considered one campsite. She was questioned why it was not on the website. As a result we were given a “Park Rules” as used by the Michigan DNR. The CAMPING: explains in detail what constitutes a campsite and how many can be on one campsite. After discussion it was a mutual agreement to include this in our camp rules. Jason will have this added to the Park Rules on the website and in print.
- k. Park Cancellation forms – reasons for cancellation – Karen suggested if more than 7 day notice give a 100% refund or put on an account to be used at a future date. If under 7 day notice no refund but the opportunity to use on an account for future use. This way you save on refunds. All were in favor.
- l. Parks Price List – electric sites and surcharge issues – Karen suggested adding the surcharge fee to the site charge rather than adding it on. Lease

sites at Shakey Lakes are now \$1500 plus \$90 electric surcharge. This will raise to \$1,600 May 1st to November 1st Seasonal Rate for Electric May 1st to October 1st would be \$1,450. Kleinke would be the same new May 1st to November 1st would be \$1,600 and May 1st to October 1st would be \$1,450, with the same for May 15th to October 15th. Four month rate would be \$1,350 and three month rate would be \$1,150 and two month rate would be \$925. One month rate would be \$500. Non County R

- m. Stoney Park & River Park MIDNR Trust Grants – Jason stated that the grants that were received from the MI DNR in 2014 and 2015 had a statement of perpetuity (endless duration) which was missed at the time of the signing of the grants. For Stoney Point a check was received for \$13,060 and for River Park \$493.04. A form must be signed by the County to complete these grants, but in doing so there is an encumbrance will be put on the property. A motion by Bob Desjarlais to have the County Board sign the paper work supported by Mike Kass vote was 4 to one in favor.

Correspondence: Jason Carviou stated he has received two insurance claims – a pickup truck pulling a camper backed into the bathhouse. Second a RV backed into an electric pedestal.

Jim moved a picnic table and put a dent in a camper; Jim also backed into a car and put in a small dent.

Sherry called Bob regarding the insurance quote on the Fair Building at \$608,000. Bob got two estimates for replacement of the Fair Building and they both came in at \$250,000. They will inform the insurance company and have this adjusted.

Any other Item Members Wish to Present: None.

Public Comment: A question on why there is no internet at Shakey Lakes. At this time there has not been enough interest so it has not been addressed.

Adjournment – Motion by Kathy Branz to adjourn supported by Mike Kass with all in favor at 8:05PM

Next meeting will be at Shakey Lakes on September 4, 2018 at 6PM..