

## **Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee**

Meeting Minutes – December 4, 2017 - DRAFT

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair, Bob Desjarlais at the Stephenson Annex.

Reporting for roll call were: Bob Desjarlais, Dick Peterson, Kathy Branz, Mike Kass, Vola Bleile and County Commissioners Larry Phelps and Bill Cech.

Excused: County Administrator – Sherry DuPont. Others present were Noreen Johnson and Charlene Peterson.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Kathy Branz, support by Vola Bleile to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Vola Bleile to accept the November 6, 2017 minutes with the following changes – Vola Bleile was excused and Sherry DuPont was present; spelling correction on Linderoth; Sherry checked prices at local parks not Larry second by Bill Cech. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Noreen Johnson asked for help with the septic specifications for Bailey Park. She stated she has the permit from the Health Department. Bob told her the permit would show the specifications. She had two bids – one from Kozikowski and one from Twin City.

Noreen also asked for the price to charge for using the pavilion. The park prices are \$50 at Shakey Lakes so we have to be consistent. She has two weddings booked after the season and they would like to serve alcohol. Bob stated per the park rules alcohol is allowed in the parks and to follow the park rules.

Business:

- a. Review RFQ's
  - a. Replacement Lawnmower okay as written
  - b. 2 – 50 amp pedestals to be changed to 2 – dual 50 amp pedestals
  - c. Rewire Fair Building – okay as is as Jim Quist will explain on the walk through.
- b. 2018 Parks Price List
  - a. Add gift certificates available in off season at County Administrator's office
  - b. Change storage rates from \$.85 sq. /ft. to \$1.00 sq. /ft.
  - c. Committee felt prices were competitive for 2018
- c. 2017/2018 Monthly Budget Review – Dick Peterson stated we should take into consideration the fee for the water testing. MDEQ water test \$137.22 each – 3 at Shakey Lakes and 1 at Kleinke. We need more information on

how/when and who from the Health Department for the water test. Sherry did add this to the budget.

A motion by Mike Kass to accept the 2017/2018 Budget supported by Bill Cech with all in favor.

d. Other items:

- a. Tentative 2018 Meeting Schedule – A motion by Mike Kass to accept the meeting schedule with a time change to 6PM; supported by Vola Bleile with all in favor.
- b. Timber Cutting Update – Dick Peterson stated that the timber cutting started the day before Thanksgiving with a large portion already done at Shakey Lakes. Longrie will be next. There is still a lot of oak standing at Shakey Lakes which will be saw logs. Pine saw logs are decked and there is a pile of fire wood.

Payments were made to Dean Francis. What is cut has opened a lot of new growth of Pine and Aspen which will now have room to grow.

The issue with the tree at Bailey has been addressed and it will be kept for shade.

The cutter will be going from Shakey Lakes to Longrie, River and then Mason Park. Bailey will be the last to be cut due to the need of a hard frost to keep the surface damage at a minimum.

It was decided to have Dean Francis put together a press release stating the Parks are undergoing a select cut, which has been approved by the County Commissioners. This is to be sent to the Eagle Harold, Peshtigo Times and the Menominee County Journal.

- c. Annual Park Passes – Availability of passes prior to first of year. Discussed along with Park Fees and agreed to.
- d. Non-community Public Water Supply Fees – MDEQ: Discussed along with budget and has been added to budget.
- e. Park – Kayak, Fishing Weekend Tournaments – possible date available. A list of low attendance weekends were supplied by Karen Kayser – a weekend in June would be a good time for this. Larry Phelps will contact Zach from Wild Rose Outfitters/Bait and Tackle to see if this can still be done during the 2018 season.
- f. Bailey Property Preservation Association project funding. Noreen stated they are looking at a 32' X 40' building between the museum and Lake Michigan. One room will be used as a gallery for all their pictures, one small room for archives, a meeting room and 2 inside bathrooms. The building design is in its final stages. This will be a three year project with the septic going in in 2018 – approximately \$10,500 to \$18,000. In 2019 their goal is to pour the slab and frame in

the building – approximately \$30,000. They plan on approaching business and the banks for donations to fund this. In 2020 they will finish the building. At this time the Bailey Park Fund is \$16,000 plus the membership. They applied for a Hannahville Grant and were denied.

They are now working with CUPPAD drawing up the maps on the park trails. M & M Area Community Foundation is also assisting. They have not launched a campaign as of yet, but will be pursuing this in the New Year. At the end of July they host the Heritage Craft Days and draw over 400 people and plan to campaign at this time also.

Correspondence: None

Any other items Members wish to present: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Motion by Vola Bleile to adjourn; supported by Mike Kass.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.