

# Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

## Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair, Bob Desjarlais at Bailey Park.

Reporting for roll all were: County Commissioners Bill Cech, County Administrator Brian Bousley, Dick Peterson, Kathy Branz, Vola Bleile and Bob Desjarlais. Excused were Ruby Ivens, Vola Bleile and Commissioner James Furlong.

**Approval of agenda:** Dick made a motion that was seconded by Vola to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Dick to approve the minutes from the last meeting with a correction that the adjourned time was 5:14PM that was seconded by Bill. All in favor.

**Public Comments:** A welcome from the Fishing Museum Ladies. Noreen Johnson said that on Monday, May 1 they had a visit from researchers from Escanaba. They are having a traveling exhibit on wood boats from the 1700's and are planning at exhibiting at Bailey Park. She also said a good job was done on the gravel, but they are having some drainage problems along the road and wanted to know if the MCRC could ditch alongside the road when they are working in the area. Brian will contact Darrell. She also stated that all the out buildings have been painted. This work was done by 2 contractors, volunteers and the jail workers.

Jim and the volunteers from the museum marked the trees with ribbons for cutting along the road. It was also noted the south entrance is owned by Tom Kamichik and we may need an easement or agreement for any type of cutting back, trimming on the trees along the road.

### **Business:**

- a. Park Ranger/manager update: Brian and Karen had reservations last Monday, with close to 400 reservations.
- b. Monthly Budget Review: Income at this time is 42% and expenses are 37%. No unusual expenses at this time.
- c. Park Projects/Grants: Everything is ready for the Stoney Park project. The bid was accepted from Iron City Ent. For \$14,800 to replace the boat ramp and is tentatively scheduled to be done by the end of June. M&M trucking will

pour the ADA pad and do the graveling for the parking lot there portion of the bid was \$4,300. The complete project is \$19,100 and will be complete by mid to late summer.

Brian has submitted 2% Grants for the replacement of the beach pavilion roof, replacement of the horse arena fencing with metal tubing gate fencing, funds to offset the cost of the surveying and prep work for the parks forestry harvest program. Brian will also prepare a DNR for a rest room at Bailey. He suggested to the museum volunteers that anytime any group or schools that come out have them write a letter.

The Fair project to replace the horse arena – 16to 20 tubed gates with ties, loops and bars. This is approximately \$6,800. It was suggested to disassemble and store for the winter to get a longer life from the gates.

Karen is in on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The phones have been ringing constantly from locals, out of county and even out of state calls. There have been inquiries on Kleinke and River Park. River Park received its first \$10. If River goes well we will look at raising the price. Mason has just the boat landing, but there are 8 – 10 acres on the other side of the road that could be looked at for sites.

The Menominee County Commissioners passed the Menominee County 5 Year Recreation Plan 2016-2020.

All seasonal help has been hired, including one lead Ranger and 2 helpers and 2 office helpers to assistant Karen.

150 trees have been received (pine and 3 types of spruce) and are being planted.

Water has been chlorinated and the test was sent in twice (the post office held the first test too long). This year we had to have it done professionally, but next year we can do it ourselves.

The State said the sites have to be re-numbered at Kleinke, Brian has taken care of this and submitted the corrected paperwork to the state. Shakey Lakes waiting for the electric by the parking lot to add 4 mega sites. These could be handicapped if we added a paved path to the bath house. When this is completed the website and all publishing must be updated.

Bass Lake we will inquiring again with Alger Delta on electric service to 4 additional sites. The work van with the help of the seasonal employees can trench and bury the cable.

There will be a concession stand at Shakey Lakes this year. The previous owners will be operating the concession stand, Cheeks Snack Shack.

- d. Harvest Plan/Forester Contract: A brief explanation for questions asked regarding the submitted plan from Upper Michigan Land Management & Wildlife Services, Inc.
1. Upper Michigan Land Management & Wildlife Services, Inc. will receive 20% of the bid.
  2. The forester is responsible for obtaining all bids.
  3. The forester will get the estimate of all stumpage.
  4. The Parks and Recreation Committee of Menominee County will be paid up front (80%) of the bid.
  5. A copy of all sales slips are to be provided to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

A motion by Bill to submit the Proposal from Upper Michigan Land Management & Wildlife Services, Inc. to the County Commissioners for approval, seconded by Vola with all in favor.

H. Correspondence – None

I. Any other Item Members Wish to Present – None

J. Public Comment – None

K. Adjournment – Motion by Dick to adjourn at 6PM, seconded by Bill with all in favor.