

Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Bob Desjarlais at the Stephenson Annex Building in Stephenson, MI on May 7, 2012.

Reporting for roll call were: Bob Desjarlais, Gail Jerzyk, Glenn Cody, County Administrator Brian Bousley, and County Commissioners Charlie Meintz and Mark Jasper. Al Thompson, Buildings and Ground Supervisor also attended the meeting. There was a quorum present to conduct the meeting.

Approval of agenda: A motion was made by Gail and seconded by Ruby. The motion carried.

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting on April 2, 2012 were reviewed by the committee. Mark offered a motion that was seconded by Ruby. The motion carried.

Public Comment: One resident in the audience asked for clarification in the previous minutes concerning "Front 40" and "the deputy campsite". Brian explained the function of the "Front 40" organization and reviewed the commissioners' ruling on the deputy campsite.

Business:

- a. **Budget Review:** Brian distributed copies of the most recent budget and stated that the bottom line remains fine. There was no further discussion.
- b. **Park Ranger/Park Manager Updates:** Brian reported that the dock previously approved for Shakey Lakes Park and was placed in the water near the park office building and extends 16 feet out into the water. The dock will be installed to give the kids a safer place to fish and keep them from fishing of the culverts at the entrance to the park. Also it was announced that just one new employee would be needed to help out at the parks this summer.
- c. **Projects:** Menominee County Building Inspector Dan Menacher presented the bids that had been received for the various components of the Shakey Lakes Bathhouse project. He mentioned that help was needed to choose a suitable color scheme for the structure, and that the entire project will cost around \$300,000 when completed. He anticipated a construction time of 60 days from start to finish. One remaining question is whether or not the two huge lights that were part of the original plan are still needed, since the structure will have its own exterior lighting.

Brian reported that the grant application for improvements at River Park had been submitted, and that our request is in competition with 140 other projects statewide.

- d. **Camp Host – Kleinke Park:** Brian reported that the camp host would be moving in on Friday, May 6. The camp host will not handle any money; campers will remit required

funds into the pay pole located at the park.

- e. **Parks Website** – Brian announced that the new website will be up and running as soon as some final information is received.

There was no correspondence.

Any Other Items Members Wish to Present: Glenn asked whether park tours would be available for interested committee members prior to the summer meetings. Brian responded that tours would be held at 4:00 pm, one hour before the start of each meeting. Charlie reported a complaint he had received concerning geese problems at Shakey Lakes Park.

Public Comment: Candace Curran reported that arrangements for the 2012 Menominee County Fair are on schedule.

Gail offered a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Glenn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn D. Cody