

Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Bob Desjarlais in the Stephenson High School library on February 1, 2011.

Reporting for roll call were: Ruby Ivens, Gail Jerzyk, Bob Desjarlais, Vola Bleile, Glenn Cody, County Administrator Brian Bousley, and County Commissioners Charlie Meintz and Mark Jasper. There was a quorum present to conduct the meeting.

Approval of agenda:

Minutes:

Public Comment: Commissioner Jim Pearson thanked the members of the committee for volunteering to serve.

Business:

- a. **Review of Bylaws:** Brian recommended that a time limit for submitting mileage reports for all committee members be added to the bylaws; there is currently no such stipulation. He also suggested that the committee consider offering members a season pass to the county parks in lieu of payment for mileage. Ruby expressed a concern that the bylaws (including member compensation) seem to vary greatly from committee to committee. She suggested that they be standardized. Suggestions for amendments to this committee's bylaws will be discussed at the next meeting.
- b. **Park Rule Review:** Charlie made a motion to discuss the use of fireworks in the parks. Bob seconded the motion. It was agreed that all fireworks must be in compliance with Michigan state law. It was recognized that the enforcement of fireworks regulations would be a challenge. Pavilion rental and storage rates were also discussed; the current fee schedule was approved. Charlie motioned that the above changes to the rules be adopted. Vola seconded the motion.
- c. **Budget Review:** Brian remarked that nothing had changed in the budget since the last meeting. There were no further questions or comments.
- d. **Lease Program and Rates:** There was a brief discussion of the 2011 camping rates (previously adopted), and a letter critical of the rate increases was circulated among the committee members.
- e. **Grants Submission Ideas:** Brian called for any additional "wish list" items for the parks, remarking that grant applications need to be submitted soon. There were no additional suggestions.

- f. **Shakey Lakes Bathhouse Project Update:** Brian reported that the the DNR had returned the plans to the county for a couple of required modifications. The modified proposal will be sent back to the DNR shortly. Following DNR approval, the project will be submitted for bid. Brian was confident that the project could be completed by the end of the 2011 camping season.
- g. **Project Wish List:** Brian called for items for this season's project list. Bob suggested that new toilets be installed in the pit toilets. The funds required for this project will be requested from the Hannahville Casino allotment. A fishing pier for children will also be constructed at Shakey Lakes Park this season.
- h. **Other Business:** Brian announced that the final version of the Five Year Recreation Plan would soon be ready. Following a two week publication period of the plan in local newspapers, a public meeting will be held. Brian also announced that the county was offering several cords of wood for sale by sealed bid. This firewood and lumber, the result of cleanup projects at Shakey Lakes Park, would be sold as one unit.

Public comment: Dick Peterson announced that the annual Fishing Derby at Shakey Lakes Park would be held on February 19 from 8 am. to 4 pm

There was no additional correspondence and no additional business.

The meeting was motioned to adjourn by Charlie with a second by Vola.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn D. Cody

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
January 13, 2001	Stephenson Annex	6 pm
February 1, 2011	Stephenson High School Library	6 pm
March 1, 2011	Stephenson High School Library	6:30 pm
April 5, 2011	Stephenson High School Library	6:30 pm
May 3, 2011	Stephenson High School Library	6:30 pm
June 7, 2011	Kleinke Park	6:30 pm
July 5, 2011	Bailey Park ~ West Shore Fishing Museum	6:30 pm
August 2, 2011	River Park	6:30 pm
September 6, 2011	Shakey Lakes Park	6:30 pm
October 4, 2011	Menominee County Library ~ Stephenson	6:30 pm
November 1, 2011	Menominee County Library ~ Stephenson	6:30 pm
December 6, 2011	Menominee County Library ~ Stephenson	6:30 pm