

CALUMET COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION MINUTES

April 7th, 2022

Members Present: Chair Mary Schwalenberg; Supervisors Pete Stier, Ed Kleckner, and Ken Draheim; Citizen Member Lyle Ott.

Others Present: Parks Director, Adam Backus; Office and Program Manager, Lindsay Meyer; Naturalist Supervisor, Louise Marum

Excused: Supervisor Judy Hartl and Citizen Member Patrick Laughrin

Chair Schwalenberg called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was properly announced and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda:

Supervisor Draheim moved, seconded by Supervisor Stier to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Citizen Member Ott moved, seconded by Supervisor Kleckner to approve the minutes for February 3rd, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORT OF COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Chair Schwalenberg shared an update on the High Cliff Connection Trail project and that there will be a public open house on April 20th. Details will be posted on the Calumet County Parks website.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR ACTION:

a. Request for ADA Boat Ramp at Brothertown Boat Harbor

Director Backus shared with the commission that the Brothertown Fishing Club approached him about their club providing funding to install an ADA boat ramp at the Brothertown boat harbor. The commission requests more information on the boat ramp before a decision can be made.

Director's Report

a. Ledge View's Monthly Reports

Marum reviewed the February and March naturalist reports with the Commission.



- b. **Update on Parks Projects:** Director Backus discussed the following parks projects with the commission and provided the following updates on each project.
- i. Calumet County Harbor Blacktopping: Prices have increased about 20% over last year. We may have the Calumet County Highway Department general the project.
 - ii. Ash Tree Harvest: Contractor will be coming back to remove tops and brush. Upper park and new south end are complete. The new north end still needs to be completed.
 - iii. Park Office Update: Humidifiers were installed in January on furnaces.
 - iv. R.O. Water System Installation: Well drilled in February to a depth of approximately 500 feet. Install will happen sometime in April.
 - v. ADA Kayak Launch: Hoping to order in the next month or so.
 - vi. Automated Boat Harbor Pay Stations: Install set for sometime in May.
 - vii. Brothertown Park Parking Lot: Lot will be stripped and the retention pond will be made in spring.
 - viii. South end Campground Extension: Waiting on electrical supplies. The project will continue in spring as the area dries.
 - ix. Campground Cabins: Waiting for area to dry before concrete can be done. Waiting on some supplies yet.
 - x. Recreations Pond: Working with the DNR on permitting.
- c. **Hiring Update**
Backus updated the commission on the current open positions within the department. The Parks Program Assistant position has been filled. Interviews are currently scheduled for the Natural Resources Specialist and Parks Maintenance Positions.

UPCOMING MEETING:

The next scheduled Parks Commission meeting will be on May 5th, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:42 a.m. Chair Schwalenberg adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsay Meyer, Recording Secretary
Adam Backus, Parks Director
Calumet County Parks Department
Unapproved Minutes
