

**DODGE COUNTY LAND RESOURCES AND PARKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 11, 2023**

The Dodge County Land Resources and Parks Committee met on September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. on the 1st Floor of the Administration Building, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Call to Order: Chair Mary Bobholz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members present: Mary Bobholz, Dale Macheel, Benjamin Priesgen and Dan Siegmann.

Members excused: Donna Maly

No other County Board members in attendance.

Staff present: Bill Ehlenbeck - Director, Joseph Giebel – Manager of Code Administration,

Others present: Members of the public for the public hearings.

The Chairman asked the staff to confirm compliance with the open meeting laws and the public hearing notice requirements. Mr. Giebel noted that the meeting was properly noticed in accord with the open meeting law and noted that the required notices for the public hearings listed on the agenda were posted, mailed and published in accord with the statute and code requirements.

1. The minutes from the August 28, 2023 meeting were reviewed by the Committee.

Motion by Ben Priesgen to approve the minutes as written.

Second by Dale Macheel Vote: 4-0 Motion carried.

The hearing procedures were read into the record.

PUBLIC HEARING

Dodge County Land Resources and Parks Committee - Petition of the Town of Hubbard Town Board to amend the list of "Designated Streets or Roads" in Appendix 1 of the Dodge County Land Use Code to include an additional approximate 1320' section of Noble Road as a designated road. The portion of Noble Road to be added as a designated road starts approximately 1320' south of its intersection with County Road S continuing south for a distance of 1320'. The road is located in part of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼, Section 20, Town of Hubbard. The purpose of the amendment is to allow the reduction of the current required 75' setback to the centerline of this road to a 60' setback from the centerline of this road.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to submit a favorable recommendation on the petition of the Town of Hubbard Town Board to amend the list of "Designated Streets or Roads" in Appendix 1 of the Dodge County Land Use Code to include an additional approximate 1320' section of Noble Road as a designated road as proposed.

Second by Dan Siegmann Vote 4-0 Motion carried.

Park System

- A. Committee review of a pending resolution of support for the Pelican Path Trail – Decision Laid over on August 28, 2023 by the Committee to allow the Pelican Path Trail group additional time to meet with the Hustisford Rod and Gun Club group to review their concerns with the proposed trail location.

Bill Ehlenbeck provided an update on the pending decision on the Pelican Path Trail support resolution.

E-mail correspondence from Bob Driebel, Treasurer of the Hustisford Rod & Gun Club was received by the Department and shared with the Committee stating they are withdrawing their objection. The Hustisford Rod & Gun Club met with the Pelican Path Trail Committee reps to discuss their concerns and reached an agreement.

Motion by Mary Bobholz to approve the Resolution Supporting the Pelican Path Project.

Second by Ben Priesgen Vote: 4-0 Motion carried.

Administration

- A. Update on the Town of Emmet's inquiry on adopting County Zoning.

Joe Giebel provided the Committee with an update on the Town of Emmet's inquiry on adopting County Zoning. The Town currently has a Cooperative Boundary Agreement with the City of Watertown, through December 31, 2032, for the area shown on the zoning map. The Town and the City have agreed that the City of Watertown would have zoning and land division oversight over this area in addition to the Town Zoning and land division review authority. Under the agreement, the Town is required to obtain written approval from the City before the Town can approve any non-agricultural use or structure and before approval of any proposed land division request. The Town is required to submit a copy of any permit or land division request to the City for review if the permit falls within the City Growth Area. The City has 90-days to review the request and to provide the Town with an approval or denial letter. If they don't act within 90-days, the Town can approve the request.

The Town Board has asked for a letter from the Department to explain how or if the County would be able to accommodate the current City/Town agreement if the Town decided to adopt County Zoning.

- B. Violation Report – August Update

Joe Giebel provided the Committee with the list of violations issued by the Staff in the month of August for review. He also provided an update on the status of the Town of Theresa – North Pole road floodplain violation.

- C. Proposed 2024 Department Budget Update

Bill Ehlenbeck provided the Committee with the Department's initial 2024 budget proposal with preliminary list of projects and expenses. Some of the items are proposed CIP projects that may be removed due to lack of funding.

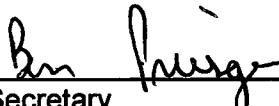
- D. No Committee Member Reports

- E. No additional Per Diems

Motion by order of the Chair to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Secretary

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