

Town of St. Joseph – St. Croix County, WI

Minutes of the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Committee – St. Joseph Town Hall

September 20, 2017

St. Joseph Town Hall

CALLED TO ORDER at 6:02 by Mark Vanasse

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

ROLL CALL: Kevin Moelter, Mark Vanasse, Gail Bahner , Pat Tuma, Laurie DeRosier

Absent: Janet Lindstrom, Kyle Lindstrom, Nina Boonaker Guests: Tom Spaniol, Jack Englehart

ADOPTION OF AGENDA's (Moelter, Bahner) carried

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. The Bumble Bee spring is broken on the playground.
2. The Disclaimer on the agenda posting is in the process of being changed to include wording addressing joint meetings including the town board.
3. Agnes Ring has resigned her position as St. Croix County Supervisor. The position is now open and information on filling the position is online.
4. St. Peter United Church of Christ has acquired and easement for the land north of County Rd V and east of 35.
5. The Fall Town of St. Joseph Newsletter information is due. Tuma, DeRosier and Bahner will work on the content.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES tabled to the October 18 meeting.

MOTION MADE to move items 8 and 9 to items 1 and 2. (Tuma, Moelter) carried.

ITEMS for Discussion and/or possible action:

1. Discussion on Bike/Pedestrian Trail Right of Ways and Hwy 64 road turnover:

Tom Spaniol had the opportunity to speak with the governor concerning off road trails in the Town. The road from 145th to Houlton School has been turned back to the Town. It may be possible to use tap grant funds to build a pedestrian/bike trail from Scout Camp Road to Triangle Drive. The town board has approved the acceptance of money for improvements. The township will also have responsibility for signage and plowing.

2. Discussion and possible action of Township involvement in Hwy 64

Corridor Committee: The Township will reapply for the Tap grant in fall 2017. Warren

White was hired to complete a study on Landing Hill to decide which side of the Highway will be used for the trail.

3. Discussion and possible Action on Town Ice Rink–Nicholas Franta

Nicholas Franta has decided to discontinue the ice rink project at the Town Hall. Mark will send a thank you note for his efforts.

4. Discussion and possible Action on ball fields: Laurie DeRosier

Nicole has done an excellent job working with softball and baseball organizations. Fees for 2018 will be discussed in February.

5. Discussion and possible Action on maintenance of playground equipment

The Bumble Bee Spring needs to be replaced. DeRosier will look into the price to purchase a new spring and the best type of spring to use.

6. Discussion on staining pergola and town sign

The pergola has been stained and the town sign repaired. Volunteer groups will be recognized for their contributions at the November Meeting.

7. Discussion and possible Action on park projects:

Perch Lake improvements were tabled until 2018. Projects for 2018 also include Buckthorn removal along trails, trash removal, additional signage and maintenance of Thelen Cemetery.

8. Discussion on future park projects and costs: including park development, trails etc.

The proposed park and trail budget was reviewed and discussion was held concerning future park project ideas. MOTION MADE to direct the chair to ask the town board to contact the St. Croix County Development Committee concerning lighting on the Interstate Trail traveling east of the New Bridge to the Wisconsin Trail Head. There have been concerns about how dark the trail is to travel. **(Bahner, Moelter) carried**

10. Adjourn 8:00 PM (Moelter, Bahner)carried

Upcoming events:

Town of St Joseph Park, Trails, and Recreation Committee Meeting: October 18 at 6 PM

Respectfully submitted by Pat Tuma, member of the Town of St Joseph Park, Trails, and Recreation Committee

