

LaRiviere Park Advisory Committee Minutes  
Conference Room #2  
August 11, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM by Chairman Dean Achenbach. Committee members in attendance were: Kathy Koch, Ivan Hoffland, Dean Achenbach, Mike Mara, Jim White, Duane Nagel, Craig Martin and Dick Martin. Absent: Jim Walz, Mike Ulrich and Marty Larson.

**Motion by D. Martin, seconded by Nagel to certify that open meeting requirements were met. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Hoffland, seconded by Mara to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried.**

Monthly Expenses and Budget Review

LaRiviere Financials as of July 10 were submitted for review. Expenses were: Scenic Rivers Energy Co-op \$44.00, Department of Health and Family Services \$265.00 for camping license renewal, True Value \$30.99 for a wheel for the wheelbarrow and a spring for the mower, Wisconsin State Laboratory \$48.00 for nitrate sampling and First Supply LLC \$240.40 for Bentonite chips for closing the abandoned well behind the barn.

**User Application & Schedule of Fees:** No discussion on item, the Committee will wait until Ulrich is present.

**Motion by White, seconded by Hoffland to authorize the purchase of two picnic tables. Motion carried.**

**Motion by White, seconded by C. Martin to authorize the purchase of sprayer. Motion carried.**

**\*\*\*Walz arrives at 5:24 pm.**

**Motion by C. Martin, seconded by Walz to authorize the purchase of three chains for the chain saws. Motion carried.**

**Gary Hardin, County Forester,** presented information concerning woodland and forest management plans. The costs involved could be covered through a grant program with the DNR. Cindy Casey from the Eau Claire Regional DNR Office is the contact person.

**\*\*\*Larson arrives at 5:30 PM**

**Motion by Walz, seconded by Larson to recommend to the council to make a grant application for initiating the process of developing a woodland and forest management plan for LaRiviere Park. Motion carried,**

The committee believes there is no need for a change in the tree cutting-urgent situation authority.

### LaRiviere Park Riders Items

A portion of the Boom Trail needs to be relocated due to erosion.

**Motion by White, seconded by Hoffland to authorize Bannen, Nagel and Kirschbaum to relocate the trail. Motion carried.**

Request to construct three temporary manure storage pits with a design change to aid in the dumping and storing of manure. Temporary pits will be used for now to assess how well the design improves the situation.

**Motion by Nagel, seconded by D. Martin to permit the Riders to build three temporary manure collection sites. Motion carried.**

Horse Crossing signs have been missing from various places along Vineyard Road. Unsafe without them posted. Achenbach will discuss matter with City Administrator about the City replacing them.

Kirschbaum reported that last week, Friday the DOC was at the Park and cutting down trees east of the house. It is unsure who gave permission and why. Hoffland will talk to the sergeant.

There is about \$500.00 worth of prairie seed that has been collected this year. It is available for reseeding purposes in the park.

### Miscellaneous items

Well closing—discussed earlier with budget items.  
Donation box for barn area

**Motion by Larson, seconded by Koch to permit Hoffland and Bannen to construct a donation box similar to the one at the horse camp and install it in an appropriate spot. Motion carried.**

Wildlife sightings—a bear was spotted on Wilderrest Road by Jorgenson's property. This was before Memorial Day. About this same time bird feeders by the garage were emptied, probably by a bear.

Gale Beneker donation

**Motion by Hoffland, seconded by Nagel to accept Gale Beneker's donation of corn stalks to be used as erosion control. Motion carried by a vote of 5 to 4. Desenting were Walz, Mara, C. Martin and Koch.**

**Motion by Larson, seconded by Walz to approve the Boy Scout District Camp Event on September 17-19 including no trace camping beyond the designated camping area. Motion carried.**

While at the park the Boy Scouts will be performing 100 hours of service!

**Motion by Walz, seconded by C. Martin to approve the dates for the Prairie du Chien High School Cross Country meets—September 14, 20 & 28. Motion carried**

Items for future consideration and information

- Marketable trees on the property

**Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Kathy Koch**