

Ryan Rose

Park Director

**PORTAGE COUNTY PARK COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2019  
JORDAN PARK WEST LODGE  
1770 COUNTY RD Y  
STEVENS POINT, WI 54482  
MEETING AGENDA  
5:00 P.M.**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Approval of Minutes-October 10, 2019
- C. Correspondence-Update to Park Commission regarding Standing Rocks Dust submitted by Jim Zach
- D. Review vendor invoice lists
- E. Reports-if any
  - i. Board Members
  - ii. President
  - iii. Park Director
- F. Public Notice: Members of the public who wish to address the Commission on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Commission President as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.
- G. Public Comments
- H. Business
  - 1. Discussion and possible action regarding request for special meeting attendance, approval of attendance of special meetings, and special meeting attendance report.
  - 2. Discussion and Possible Action Approving and Authorizing the Resolution of the Acceptance of donated funds from the Friends of Schmeckle, and a 2019 Budget Adjustment for the Green Circle Trailhead Development.
  - 3. Update on 2019 Learn to Hunt.
  - 4. Discussion and possible action to convert all electrical campsites to Reserve only.
  - 5. Discussion of dust on cross country ski trails at Standing Rocks Park.
- I. Adjourn

**Notice: A quorum of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, or any committee thereof, may be present at this meeting.**

Any person who has special needs and plans on attending this meeting should contact the Portage County Parks Department as soon as possible to ensure that reasonable accommodations can be made. 715-346-1433

# PORTAGE COUNTY PARK COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Minutes

October 10, 2019

The Portage County Park Commission meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Acting President George Kraft at the DuBay Park Lodge.

Members present Sara Brish, Bob Gifford, George Kraft, and Mildred Neville. Jim Gifford, Mike Splinter and Jim Zach, excused. Also present were Trail Coordinator Rex Runke, Assistant Park Director Justin Vogel, and Parks Director Ryan Rose.

Moved by Bob Gifford and seconded by Sara Brish to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2019 meeting as mailed. Motion carried by voice vote.

Correspondence-None

Board Member Reports: Bob Gifford inquired whether the Parks department has worked with internship programs. Rose stated that there have been some internship programs in the past; such as, the one recently at Standing Rocks and an intern identified plants. Sara Brish mentioned the Pointers Connect Internship program. The program will reimburse up to \$1500 per 150 hours of work.

President: Acting President Kraft went over the priorities that the Park Commission had listed in previous years for Standing Rocks. These included dust, Phase I snowmaking, lighting, programs and events, tubing area, and a multi-purpose lodge. Some of these items have been accomplished and some we are still working on.

Kraft mentioned that he had been on the Standing Rocks trails and talked with some mountain bikers that have had an issue with sandblasting on the trails. Kraft is requesting to brainstorm and get together and talk to Wimme about the dust issue. We have been talking about the dust for the last 15 years. Park Director Rose reported that he and Jim Zach met with Tracy Arnold, Planning and Zoning. Zach has written a letter regarding the meeting which will be on the agenda in November. Steve Bradley and Tracy Arnold will be attending the meeting in November. Rose has met with Shannon Rhode, Windshed for Portage County and he said it is not feasible to plant trees on the berm.

Kraft also mentioned that he had walked the mountain bike trails at Standing Rocks and he talked with bikers and they were enthusiastic with the new mountain bike trails.

Director's Report: Rose reported that 6.5 miles of the mountain bike trails have been finished at Standing Rocks. The PASTA group has been a good group to work with and they are now using hand tools to tweak the trail. Phase 2 of the mountain bike trails will happen next year.

The builders for the Standing Rocks multi-lodge are doing a good job. Another new mile of lights are in for the cross country ski trails and they look really nice. The Pankowski's like the lights on the trail.

Acting President George Kraft read the Public Notice. No one from the public appeared.

Public Comments - None

Discussion and possible action regarding request for special meeting attendance, approval of attendance of special meetings, and special meeting attendance report-none.

Discussion was held on changing the Parks Campground Cancellation Policy. Rose reported that he has looked at other county campgrounds regarding their cancellation policies. The current campsite cancellation policy was included in the meeting packet. Rose would like to change the cancellation policy. Campers would have to cancel their reservation at least 7 days in advance. A full refund will be given minus an \$8.00 cancellation fee and an \$8.00 reservation fee for a total of \$16.00 withheld. For those reservations that have already been made, we will honor the cancellation policy that we have.

Moved by Bob Gifford and seconded by Sara Brish to change the cancellation policy to read, "A full Refund will be given if cancelled at least 7 days prior to your reservation, minus an \$8.00 cancellation fee and an \$8.00 reservation fee for a total of \$16.00 withheld and after 7 days, there will be no refund. Motion carried by voice vote. A suggestion was made that Rose should report back to the Commission on how this works out.

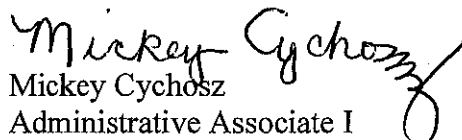
Rose stated that he would like to have the Park Commission discuss having the first come first serve sites at the four campgrounds changed to reserve sites. Campers must book the sites 7 days in advance. Any sites not booked 7 days in advance, would be available on a first come first serve basis. Potential campers have called and if they cannot make reservations, they do not come to our campgrounds. Staff would deal with less money. Rose stated that it makes sense to make every campsite reservable. This item was for discussion, no action was taken, and it will appear on the November agenda.

Discussion was held on removal of old playground equipment from campgrounds. Rose reported that we have some old swing sets and slides in the campgrounds. Parts can no longer be purchased. The old equipment becomes a safety issue. We would like to slowly phase out this playground equipment and put money in capital improvements to replace this equipment. The metal playground equipment would be placed in the metal bin and recycled.

Moved by Sara Brish and seconded by Bob Gifford to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The next regular Park Commission meeting will be on November 14, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Jordan West Lodge.

Respectfully submitted by

  
Mickey Cychoz  
Administrative Associate I

Update to Park Commission— Standing Rocks Dust  
Submitted by Jim Zach (Commissioner) and Ryan Rose (Park Director)

Following up on discussion at our September 12, 2019 Park Commission meeting and the memo from Executive Holmen regarding the appointment of a new P&Z Nonmetallic Mining Compliance Officer, Ryan and I met with Tracy Arnold at her office on September 13. While she was recently hired by Portage County and is still learning details regarding Portage County sandpits, she has extensive experience in the same capacity with Wood County.

We met for over an hour, discussing her experience with sand pit regulations and our perspectives/history of wind-blown sand/dust particulates onto Standing Rocks trails coming from the Wimme Sand and Gravel operation. We reviewed photos taken during the August site visit by George Kraft, Ryan Rose, and Jim Zach; as well as earlier photos and oral history of dust on ski trails, and how that related to status of the Wimme south berm at different points of time.

Summary Points:

- As a P&Z employee, Tracy is in charge of monitoring reclamation of the pit.
- Air quality issues are under the control of WI DNR, Chapter NR 415. However, to the extent possible within her responsibility for overseeing the reclamation process, she is willing to see what she can do to lessen windblown material from entering the park.
- Based upon historical observation by park staff, the status of southern and eastern Wimme berms does influence amount and where dust is blowing into the park.
- Tracy has walked the entire perimeter of the pit earlier this summer and has not found any compliance issues regarding reclamation. She does have familiarity with the Wimme plan of operation. She has inherited an extensive file regarding the Wimme Pit which she is still in the process of becoming familiar with.
- The berm along most of the south side of the pit bordering Standing Rocks has been completed, topsoil applied, and has established vegetation. As sections of that berm have been completed, dust issues on the northwest portion of ski trails have lessened, and an earlier wash out off the berm that went onto our trail has been repaired.
- The suspected area of greatest dust origination in the Wimme pit appears to be from the southeast corner of the pit bordering the opposite northwest corner of the park where a large prominence of material from the pit has been moved as a staging site for later use in berm construction along the eastern border of the pit.
- It was established that the origin of this material is from glacially deposited overburden that was removed to access the commercially valuable sand deposits underneath — the actively mined area of the pit has moved to the east area of the Wimme property.
- From the standpoint of particle size of material being blown off the prominence, it is Tracy's observation that this is not where the fines left from sand washing practices are being deposited. That fine material is being washed out of the sand down in the bottom of the pit, in the more southern/central portion of the pit. A satellite view of the pit confirms that those ponds are a turquoise color, which is the color of water containing glacial flour — those fine particulates suspended in water gives Sunset Lake its distinctive color, as well as Lake Louise in Banff National Park.
- The Wimme timeline summary compiled in 2016 by P&Z's Tracy Pelke and distributed to Park Commission members at that time was discussed, and later an electronic copy was sent to Tracy

Arnold by Jim Zach. This document was also shared with Commissioners Mildred Neville and Sara Brish.

- The plan of action arrived at the meeting: Ryan Rose will discuss with Shannon Rhody (Wisconsin Windshed Protection) the possibility for planting conifer trees atop the established southern berm with the goal to investigate creating a natural wind fence. This may evolve to including Tracy and/or Shannon in having further discussion with Kyle Wimme to further explore this option.
- Additional consideration is for Tracy to have a discussion with Kyle Wimme to better understand his plan for the mound of stored material in the pit's southeast corner and whether/when it can be lowered and incorporated into existing berm to reduce wind blown particulates entering the park in the near future.

Submitted to Ryan Rose for his input 10/1/2019. After Ryan makes his input, I suggest sharing with Tracy Arnold before distributing this further.

Plan is for the dust issue and this summary and any follow up that Ryan/Shannon/Tracy have to be placed on November Park Commission agenda for DPA

Jim Zach



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RESOLUTION NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RE: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DONATED FUNDS FROM THE FRIENDS OF SCHMEEKLE AND A 2019 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR THE GREEN CIRCLE TRAILHEAD DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Portage County applied for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Stewardship grant in in 2017 in the amount of \$740,802, with 50% reimbursement (\$370,401) for the Green Circle Trailhead Development and Reroute Project (the Project) on behalf of Schmeekle Reserve (Schmeekle) as Schmeekle was ineligible to apply for the grant directly and required financial assistance to fund the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project calls for constructing a trailhead shelter and other improvements near the Schmeekle Reserve Visitor Center on the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP) campus; and

WHEREAS, the original project appropriation was \$740,802 with DNR grants funding 50% of the original project cost of \$740,802, with the \$370,401 balance to be funded with local non-county match funds from the UWSP Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the project expenses will be higher than anticipated which requires an increase to the project budget and corresponding budget adjustment in order to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Schmeekle Reserve informed Portage County of their intent to donate \$175,000 to the project to offset the higher than anticipated expenses of the Green Circle Trailhead Development project; and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the Portage County Fiscal Ordinance 3.8.8 Budget Deficit and Budget Adjustment Resolutions, any budget modification requires County Executive, governing committee, and finance committee approval, as well as 2/3 supermajority of County Board.

FISCAL NOTE: This resolution will increase expenses in the amount of \$175,000 (account number 41512113 58000) for CIP Project 510-18-02 Green Circle Trailhead Development and Reroute and increase revenue in the amount of \$175,000 (account number 41512113 48500) for the Friends of Schmeekle Reserve donation. This resolution requires a 2/3 supermajority vote of the County Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Portage County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes a budget amendment in the amount of \$175,000 to the 2019 Capital Projects budget for related expenses along with the corresponding donation funds towards the project.

DATED THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

**PORTAGE COUNTY PARK COMMISSION**

Date: November 14, 2019

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James Gifford, President

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Sara Brish

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George Kraft

**PORTAGE COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Date: December 3, 2019

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Jeanne Dodge, Chair

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**PORTAGE COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Al Haga, Chair

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Jeanne Dodge

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Indiana University, Retired

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TKE Educational Foundation,  
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Ascension  
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Ron Zimmerman  
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November 7, 2019

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Stevens Point, WI 54481

To whom it may concern:

The Friends of Schmeeckle Reserve, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is happy to support the Green Circle Trailhead project that will be constructed near the Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor Center on UW-Stevens Point property.

The Friends group has recently received donations totaling \$175,000 from the Seramur Family Foundation and Sentry Insurance Foundation that have been designated to the trailhead project. This funding will be used to supplement the \$370,401 DNR Stewardship Grant that was awarded to Portage County and the \$370,401 in matching donations that are being held at the UWSP Foundation.

The Friends group will disperse this \$175,000 to Portage County to reimburse expenses incurred above and beyond the \$740,802 already pledged to the project, or for project items that are not able to be covered under the scope of the Stewardship Grant. Invoices should be sent to the Friends of Schmeeckle Reserve along with expense documentation.

We truly appreciate this partnership with Portage County to enhance recreational facilities and opportunities in the Stevens Point area. The trailhead facilities will be enjoyed by county residents for generations to come.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at any time.

Jerry Lineberger  
Board President  
Friends of Schmeeckle Reserve

Collins Reservable **1HC and 12 sites**  
Collins first come first Serve 13 sites

Dubay Reservable **2HC and 18 sites**  
First Come First Serve 16 sites

Jordan Reservable **1HC and 13 sites**  
First come First Serve 11 sites

Lake Emily Reservable **2HC and 26 sites**  
First Come First Serve North 29 sites  
South 15 sites

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IF YOU WISH TO CAMP,  
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NOT RESERVED.

## **Wimme Sand and Standing Rocks Park**

I think it is appropriate for Wimme to develop a specific plan for limiting dust from the berms, both short-term, while the berm is active, and long-term once it is abandoned. The plan, at a minimum should include an agreement to observe and record problems, monitor dust control efforts on a regular basis to ensure that they are adequate and set up a clear communication link with Portage County.

### *Problem*

Fugitive dust from uncovered berms at Wimme Sand affecting Standing Rocks Park in Portage County. Primary concern is fugitive dust accumulating on park trails from uncovered berms at adjacent sand and gravel operation. The berms border the plant and consist of waste material from their activities. Nuisance and potential health problem for park users and others in the vicinity.

### *Solution*

Stockpiles (waste piles) are used for both temporary and long-term storage. Fugitive dust can be emitted from stockpiles while working the active face of the pile or when wind blows across the pile. The quantity of emissions depends on pile height and exposure to wind, moisture content and particle size of the pile material, surface roughness of the pile, and frequency of pile disturbance.

Wimme should apply Best Management Practices common in the industry to prevent fugitive dust while the berm is active and once it is abandoned.

### *Sample Plan*

Any owner or operator of a stockpile that is a dust generating activity or source shall implement the following best management practices to prevent off property transport of fugitive dust emissions:

- 1 Minimize drop height: Drivers and operators shall unload truck beds and loader or excavator buckets slowly, and minimize drop height of materials to the lowest height possible, including screening operations.
- 2 Wet suppression: Apply water to the active face when working the pile or to the entire pile during periods of inactivity. Prevent water used for dust control from entering any public right-of-way, storm drainage facility, or watercourse.
- 3 Stockpiles shall be observed daily and watered whenever fugitive dust is observed to control emissions. After application, a follow-up observation shall be performed to ensure the effectiveness of the control measures. Equipment to apply water or dust suppressant shall be available at the site, or on call for use at the site, within a given operating day.



- 4 Cover: install cover materials during periods of inactivity and anchor the cover.
- 5 Surface roughening: stabilize a stockpile during periods of inactivity or when vegetation cannot be immediately established.
- 6 Stockpile location: locate stockpile at a distance equal to ten times the pile height from property boundaries that abut residential areas.
- 7 Vegetation: seed and mulch any stockpile that will remain inactive for 30 days or more or apply encrusting agents on piles intended for long term storage or inactivity.
- 8 Enclosure: construct a three-sided structure equal to or greater than the height of the pile to shelter the pile from the predominant winds.

### *References*

The following documents provide the necessary background to assist Wimme to develop a plan to limit dust emissions from the berms.

WDNR Air Program Fact Sheet Fugitive Dust Emissions Management  
<https://dnr.wi.gov/files/PDF/pubs/am/am556.pdf>

WDNR Air Program Template Best Management Practices of Fugitive Dust Control Plans for the Ledge Rock Quarry and Industrial Sand Mining Industries -  
[http://dnr.wi.gov/cias/guidance/guidanceexternal/FileView.aspx?OBJECT\\_SEQ\\_NO=15833](http://dnr.wi.gov/cias/guidance/guidanceexternal/FileView.aspx?OBJECT_SEQ_NO=15833)

Air Quality in Idaho: Supplemental Fugitive Dust Control Information  
[https://www.deq.idaho.gov/media/61833-dust\\_control\\_plan.pdf](https://www.deq.idaho.gov/media/61833-dust_control_plan.pdf)