



COUNTY OF BECKER

Recreational Advisory Committee

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RAC Meeting Minutes

June 4th 2020

County Board Room

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Karen Mulari, Ben Grimsley, Hank Ludtke, Larry Knutson, Del Bergseth

Staff Present: Guy Fischer, Dan McLaughlin

Audience/Guest Participation Per Agenda: Lin Peterson

1. Chair Welcome & Introductions - Mulari
2. February Meeting Minutes: Review/Approval
 - Motion by Mulari to approve Mtg. Minutes; 2nd by Bergseth, roll call taken (3 ayes); motion carried.
3. Agenda: Motion by Ludtke to approve agenda; 2nd by Mulari, roll call taken (3 ayes); motion carried.
4. Heartland Trail Update:
 - Detroit Lakes to Frazee Segment
 - Acorn Lake – June construction (late summer/early fall completion)
 - Acorn Lake to Underpass: July 15th construction
 - Mountain Link Trail Project:
 - Anticipate fall construction; one easement left to get; T intersection and approach changes (at underpass) to reduce slope to 5% still being reviewed by MNDOT. Because the trail is within their ROW they require a 5% slope.
5. Dunton Locks Update
 - VFW Shelter: look at white washing for walls in Bathrooms; Look at pitched roof in commons area (Grimsley); initial assessment/inspection regarding septic will provide more information about what needs to be done to address issues. Other opportunities for making improvements at Dunton Locks – look at adding shelter over concrete pad/picnic area by Tram; interest in getting Commissioners to visit.
 - Dry Dock Project Status: contract is in process of being signed by contractor (it had been reviewed prior by Co. Attorney's office); contract could not be signed before Army Corp Permit

was approved for the project (late February). Bridge was ordered and delivered on Wednesday. Anticipate project start in a couple of weeks.

6. Wannigan Park

- Ongoing process of developing a master plan; Park ownership was discussed; Frazee interested in owning the Park wondered about County assistance with maintenance; more information on camping and related fees are needed and would help determine revenue stream that could be used for future ongoing park operations and maintenance projections. A reservation system could be helpful. Staff suggests that NPS provide some assistance with the field assessment – sounds like they have someone on staff who can assist.
- Eagle Lake Park (Ludtke) – Frazee is interested in reconfiguring its access and improving access to the shoreline (shoreline restoration) to simplify and improve park use. Wondered if the County can help or what that assistance might look like.

7. X-C skiing; DL Nordic Ski Club has 501cs status; electronic mapping efforts continue (East Frazee and 5 Lakes). Have purchased a groomer (\$2,000 in checking; \$1,000 donation from Breakfast Rotary). Lin Peterson (DL Ski Club) will contact appropriate landowners that have authority over their trails to determine assistance or help with paying for and installing signs & Kiosk.

8. Disbursed camping – discussion about suggested sites, what the sites would look like/be maintained (minimal). Interest in coming up with a list.

9. Open Forum/Other Issues – None

10. Adjournment