

7/27/23 Chautauqua County Parks Commission minutes

The meeting was held at the Jamestown Airport and called to order by Chair Bob Franzen at 4 P.M. Members present were Bob Franzen, Jacoc Bodway, Martha Anderson, Bob Dando and Judy Hunt, Guests were Justin Radar and Courtney Domst. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted. The Operations report included the following information: Pat Smith is the new Parks Supervisor. The exterior of the Luensman bathroom is nearly done. Work will resume in September. Chautauqua Watershed will handle the ARPA funded project for Waterway Master Plan. It will show needs and costs. Harris Hill project will use wrapped stones (burrito -like) for culverts and will include a boardwalk. The Capital fund for next year will include rehabbing 4 canoe launches. Sam Zafuto has left the DPF. Timber sales will yield \$100,000 to Capital Funds.

Trail development Eggleston Parking lot will be roughed in for winter. Any placement is acceptable for Kiosks. \$67,500 will be requested from Parks and Trails New York. Overland and Chautauqua Gorge are in perfect condition. As of 6/24 trail counter indicated 1128. Westside Overland that passes through Broken Straw and Panama are on NY state forest land. Jacob is hoping to update Westside Overland from Titus Road to Steadman. This section is on private property.

Overview Parks Light and plug suggested be added at Luensman.

New Business E-bikes and fat tires are allowed. Dirt bikes are not. Our website should be updated to state that throttle assist vehicles and not permitted. Also mapping project should be included when available.

The next meeting will be at Luensman Park on Thursday, August 28. A picnic will follow. Meeting adjourned at 4:50.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Hunt, Secretary