

1/23/20 Chautauqua County Parks Commission meeting minutes

Members present: Bob Franzen, Martha Anderson, Marla Connelly, Ainsley Smith, Tom Erlandson, Judy Hunt

Guests present: Brad Bentley, Sam Zafuto, Garret Cain

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Franzen at 4 p.m. at the Jamestown Airport. The minutes of the December meeting were approved as presented.

Operations – Brad Bentley – The bid by Rain Forest Products for \$31,610 for property 11 was accepted. A parks Maintenance area has been created at the DPF Falconer shop. The March meeting will be held there. The 2019 budget is in the final stage. Final numbers will be ready for next meeting. The 2020 Operating Budget is \$153,070 from occupancy tax. Capital Projects account is \$214,416. Capital equipment (2020) is \$21,500 but may not be necessary due to sharing equipment.

Legislation Approval of oil and gas lease was approved with Sam Kohler Enterprises. Contract with 2000 cap is close to being executed. Reforestation concerns were discussed.

Trail Development Bethany Camp/ Cockaigne Trail will be relocated to ideally prevent as many convergent paths as possible.

Overlook Parks DPF Engineer is designing Luensman Park bathroom and site improvements in-house.

Waterways Garret Cain shared Musky Inc.'s fundraising to improve boat launches to accommodate small boats with motors. Parks need a resolution to permit acceptance of volunteer materials and labor.

Marketing The Commission voted to approve printing of Chautauqua County Trails in the Wegman's Passport. Signs will be posted for recording presence on trails for credit.

New Business Marla discussed the commission's need for an improved web presence and to update same. A vote to approve the placement of Commission

members contact information on the county website along with current and past meeting minutes, meeting dates and locations was taken and passed. Kathy Tampio is the contact person.

Old Business Marla raised the question of using volunteers on trails and waterways. It was decided that county attorney must pursue generating a form to waive liability.

The next meeting will be at the Airport on 2/27/20. The March meeting will be at the Falconer Shop.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00.

Respectfully submitted by Judy Hunt, Secretary