



Park and Vacant Land Committee Draft Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Date: Monday, March 3, 2025

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Present: Chairperson Renee Knutson; Committee Members, Jean Wiggert, Monica Redmond,

Jeffrey Butler, Nate Torres; Administrator Christina Peterson.

Absent: None.

Attendance List: None.

1. Meeting called to order by Knutson- at 5:32 p.m.

2. <u>Approve Minutes.</u> Motion by Butler to approve minutes from 1/6/2025, second by Redmond. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment. None.

- 4. <u>Walking Trail Map Review</u>. Knutson explained the current draft of the Shelby Walking Trail Map (Pammel Creek Area). Comment that the QR Code was sized for the large kiosk format. Knutson will ask about the sizing of the QR code to determine if they should stay on for a print size. In an emailed version, the QR code should work.
- 5. <u>Bluffland/County Grant Program</u>. Knutson called consultant Bluffland Restoration regarding the land management program but has not heard back. Regarding mapping, the Eagle Scout project was to lay out a map and measure the trail lengths. Knutson is following up with the Scout for materials.
- 6. <u>Tennis Courts</u>. Knutson reported that she spoke with Upper Midwest Athletic Construction about the proposal for resurfacing. Knutson pointed out that the Town Tennis Courts need full reconstruction. Knutson will reach out to the City of La Crosse and other organizations.
- 7. 2025 Projects. Review list of proposed projects. \$9500 will be assigned to projects related to the Bluffland /County Grant Project. Knutson asked if the list still looked good and if any new projects should be added. Butler suggested adding additional garbage cans on the list. Knutson suggested cans be considered at year-round locations. Knutson noted a priority for 2025 is Nolop Estates Park, adding a bench and landscaping. Comment that Hills of Home Park would be good location for new trees. Wiggert brought up an idea to have a telescope in one of the parks, possibly Battlestone. Redmond suggested having an allowance to help with execution of projects. Butler suggested having a history of the work completed at the parks.
- 8. <u>Mormon Coulee Park Request</u>. Mormon Coulee Lions Club host the Lights in the Park event each winter. They want to redo the post/barricade post at the pedestrian bridge, so it is

more easily removed for access. They also feel the electrical access should be more accessible at the foundation of the bridge.

9. Administrator Report

a. Peterson noted that Terry will be given an inspection form for each park. Public Works will be directed to complete the inspections prior to mid-April. Peterson is also working on a workload projection to determine the time available for park projects.

10. <u>Chairperson/Commissoners Report</u>

- a. Nate noted that he toured the Town Parks and pointed out how nice Mormon Coulee Park was. Knutson will present plaque to Josh who resigned from the committee after many years of service.
- 11. <u>Adjournment.</u> Motion by Torres to adjourn at 6:50 p.m., second by Wiggert. Motion carried unanimously.

Next regular meeting will take place Monday, April 7, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Christina Peterson, Administrator.