

Special Meeting Minutes
JOINT MEETING of the PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE and TOWN BOARD
Town of St. Joseph - St. Croix County, Hudson WI
December 20, 2023

Meeting ID: 818 0084 4309

CALL TO ORDER: By Janet Lindstrom at 6:05 pm

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE:

ROLL CALL: Janet Lindstrom, Pat Tuma, Kyle Lindstrom, Nina Boonacker, Laurie DeRosier (Town Board Representative)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: N. Boonacker, 1st, Janet Lindstrom 2nd, passed

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES: No motion for prior minutes.

Dates of Upcoming Meetings:

Finance Committee	Tuesday	January 16	6 PM
Fire Department	Monday	February 5	6 PM
Parks, Trails and Recreation	Thursday	January 17	6 PM
Planning Commission	Wednesday	January 3	6 PM
Public Works	Tuesday	January 2	6 PM
Technology	Tuesday	January 23	6 PM
Town Board	Thursday	January 11	6 PM

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. **Committee Meeting updates:**
2. **Ball Field Updates:** Ball Fields and Bathrooms are closed for the season.
3. **Review Budget:** Currently \$37,000 under budget.

BUSINESS:

1. **Discuss Bike and Pedestrian Trails:** Community members were present to discuss section 8A of the Bike and Pedestrian Trail Map. They were uncomfortable with the placement of the proposed trail on the map as it crossed private property. They did not feel it was necessary to mark the location at this time. A motion was made to remove section 8A from the Bike and Pedestrian Trail Map. J. Lindstrom 1st, Pat Tuma 2nd. passed. The trail has a history that dates back to 1995 and again noted in 2013. A portion of the trail was intended to connect to Thelen Trail but no designated route was ever decided upon.
2. **Discuss Outdoor Recreation Plan final approval:** The Town Board agreed to pay Stantec \$1500 max to update plan with minor changes. Once the plan comes back from Stantec it will go to the Town Board and then a public hearing will be held. A resolution should be submitted after the Public Hearing. Laurie DeRosier will check on the timeline.

3. **Review Annual PTR Work Plan:** Chair Janet Lindstrom has asked committee members to review the work plan and add needed changes for 2024.
4. **Review and Discussion of ToSJ park properties, site inspections:**
 - a. **Town Hall Park and Preservation Area:** Steps to the top of the slide have been completed. Spring plans will include grading area, putting down mats and completing plantings. Mats are being stored at the Lindstrom's.
 - b. **Nature Preserve:** Discussion to include a sign at the kiosk to report concerns. Motion was made to approve two signs to designate where the entrance is to the preserve. N. Boonacker 1st, K. Lindstrom 2nd, passed. There are concerned residents who have been having issues with hunters trespassing on their land and shooting their no trespassing signs. It was noted that the fence was in bad shape in areas and that the State has a fence law that states, neighboring parties would split the cost of fence repairs 50/50.
 - c. **Perch Lake Launch Area and Parking Lot:** The boat washing station at Perch Lake Parking Lot has been approved. The town clerk has notified Adam Meade (adam.meade@sccwi.gov) at the county and it will be installed in the spring.
 - d. **Thelen Cemetery:** Clean up activities will be held in the spring. Walkways at cemetery will need crushed stone.
 - e. **Hwy 35 Rest Area:**
 - f. **Bike/ Pedestrian Trails and Facilities:** Maps could be made by Minute Man.

Next Regular Meeting: January 17, 6:00 pm (J. Lindstrom and K. Lindstrom will attend via zoom)

Motion to adjourn: N. Boonacker 1st, K. Lindstrom 2nd, passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Pat Tuma