

AGENDA

County Of Eau Claire
Committees On Parks & Forest, Expo and Parks & Forest Advisory;
Chippewa Valley Disc Golf Organization, Chippewa Valley Trailriders,
and Eau Claire Ski Striders

Wednesday, August 24, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.

Tower Ridge Chalet

955 S 82nd Ave, Eau Claire 54701

Members note: Please call the committee chair or office if you will not be attending the meeting.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice
2. Introduction of Attendees
3. Approval of minutes from August 10, 2016 meeting – Discussion/action
4. Public Input
5. Request to hold a trail run at Lowes Creek Park in October, 2016 – Presentation by Danielle LeBarron, Chippewa Valley Montessori School
6. Discussion regarding Tower Ridge by User Groups:
 - a. Chippewa Valley Disc Golf Organization
 - b. Chippewa Valley Trailriders
 - c. Eau Claire Ski Striders
7. Merging of Parks & Forest and Expo Advisory Committees – Discussion/action
8. Stewardship Committee report – Discussion
9. Correspondence
10. Staff and committee reports
11. Next Meeting Date/place – Tuesday, September 13 - 5:00 p.m. at Ag Center.
12. Future and pending items
13. Adjournment

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY
COMMITTEE ON PARKS & FOREST**

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 5:00 p.m.
Agriculture & Resource Center (2nd Floor meeting room)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Patrick LaVelle, Tami Schraufnagel, and Bruce Willett

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Stelljes

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Johnson, Ayres Associates and Brooke Ludwig, WDNR Forester

STAFF PRESENT: Jody Gindt, Josh Pedersen and Bobbi Barone

The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick LaVelle at 5:00 p.m.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice – Meeting notice was confirmed.
2. Approval of minutes from July 27, 2016 meeting – Bruce moved to approve the minutes; motion carried 4-0.
3. Public Input – No members of the public were present for this item.
4. Proposal for Consideration of Permit/fee change – Gale Otterholt was not present for this item.
5. Lake Altoona Master Plan draft – Phil presented the plan as requested by the committee to emphasize group activities. Phase 1 would be pavilions/parking and overflow pavilion parking as well as on-street parking. Phase 2 would be 4-season shelter and splash pad. Phase 3 would be beach parking lot, moving Ski Striders to area to north of the beach parking lot. He also stated that the parking area in the plan increases parking stalls from 210 to 496. Gary made a motion to continue with the current plan and move forward; motion carried 4-0. Phil will continue working on the plan he presented.
6. Expo Center Event Parking Lot Signage – Josh reported that people are parking in the event parking lot and walking to the Lowes Creek Park entrance without paying any entrance fees. Clint has been issuing violation notices to those he observes parking in the event lot and then walking to the park entrance. Those individuals receiving violation notices have complained that there is no sign prohibiting their activity. Gary made a motion to sign the parking lot to indicate that park users must pay fee or be issued a violation notice; motion carried 4-0.
7. Merging of Parks & Forest and Expo Advisory Committees – Bobbi reported that a resolution is not yet available for action at this meeting as there were other changes needed in the code as well. This will be brought back to the September 13 meeting. Tami stated she thought the committees should not be combined. This will be discussed more in depth at the September meeting.

8. 2017 Budget – Josh discussed the reasons for the variation from last year’s budget with the committee. Bruce moved to accept the Parks & Forest budget as presented by Josh; motion carried 4-0.
9. Stewardship Committee Report – Kevin was not present at the meeting to give a report.
10. Expo Center Status Report – Nothing more to report as the group hasn’t met recently.
11. Correspondence – Josh reported that the National Rifle Club came in with a draft agreement between them and the county and that there will need to be negotiations into the future with Corporation Counsel. Josh also reported organizers of Winterfest are hoping to hold the event at Lake Altoona Park January 27 thru 29. He was going to encourage the organizers to come and talk to the committee at a meeting in the near future.
12. Staff and Committee Reports – Josh stated that bleachers collapsed at the Fair. There were some minor injuries. Eau Claire Ford is still parking vehicles on the park grounds.

Bruce moved to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Barone
Committee Clerk

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