

Le Sueur County Parks Board

August 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Present: Larry Maruska, Charles Richter, Mark Volkenant, Steve Rohlring, Mike Schultz, and Brigid Tuck

Parks Director: Tyler Luethje

Absent: John King

1. Call to Order at 5 pm; meeting held via WebEx
2. Approval of agenda
3. Approval of May Minutes, motion from Charlie, second from Steve, carries
4. Introductions
 - a. No guests
5. Parks ordinance
 - a. Hearing, August 25, 10 AM
6. Facility rental
 - a. Allowing facility rentals again;
 - b. Working on a case-by-case basis; following the Governor's orders
 - c. Form that renters use – has a COVID preparedness plan
7. Lake Washington Update
 - a. Grant
 - i. Grant approved; DNR administers; filling out forms
 - ii. Anticipate early 2021 starting engineering and design process
 - iii. 2022-2023 construction years
 - b. Protocols & procedures for opening
 - i. Easing up restrictions as time passes; opening more
 - ii. Posted on website and campground with rules
 - c. Cleaning
 - i. Keep shower house clean; cleaning crew on weekends
 - d. 2020 programming - had to cancel some early in summer due to COVID
 - i. Saturday Shenanigans
 1. Keeping COVID complaint in distributing materials
 - ii. Camp and Paddle
 - iii. Camping Nutrition and Food Safety
 - iv. Camp Fit and Fun
 - v. Best Decorated Campsite
 - vi. Story Walk
 - vii. Intro to Kayaking
 - viii. Bingo – canceled
 - ix. Monarch butterfly tagging
 - x. Intro to Archery
 - xi. Halloween Camp Er' Treat
 - e. Bradshaw Woods Archery Range
 - i. Stands
 - ii. Signs – ordered, but delay at plant

iii. Grand Opening in Spring 2021

8. Other Items

- a. In early summer, got some notice in the Mankato Free Press; about regional park status
- b. KEYC has been out a few times
- c. Ney Nature Center held summer day camps
- d. Tri-County COLA – were going to host MN COLA association – has been cancelled
- e. LS County Broadband
 - i. LS County Parks – would be interested
 - ii. Lake Washington Lake Association could be a partner
- f. Seeding at Lake Washington
 - i. Appears to be coming up well, did second mowing – reduce weeds

9. Plan for next meeting

- a. Tuesday, September 15
- b. Will arrange as appropriate

10. Future meetings

- a. October 20, November 17, December 15

11. Adjourn at 5:40; motion to adjourn by Mike, 2nd by Charles motion carries.