

PECATONICA PRAIRIE PATH COMMISSION

Friday, June 18, 2018
Pecatonica Public Library
400 W. 11th Street
Pecatonica, Illinois
9:30 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order Meeting called to order at 9:37

1. Roll Call

Directors Present: Steve Ehlbeck, Freeport Park District (Retired); Tim Bragg, Alt. Delegate, Rockford Park District; Mike Holan, Delegate, Forest Preserves of Winnebago County; Jim Gastel, Delegate Stephenson County, and Claire Webb, Delegate, Stephenson County

Other Staff Present: Carlos Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department, Dennis Carr, City of Freeport. Others Present: Stephen Aries, Jim Brechlin, Vivian Gaines and Janet Klinger.

2. Approval of Minutes – March 16, 2018 (Carlos M.)

Mike Holan moved; Tim Bragg seconded approval of the minutes from the March, 16 2018 meeting of the Pecatonica Prairie Path Commission. Motion passed.

3. Presentation

None

4. Treasurer's Report – (Claire W.)

Treasurer Claire Webb stated invoices will be going out next month for the commission's fiscal year. She is also looking into an interest bearing checking account for the commission's finances. A request for reimbursement in the amount of \$180 is still pending from the commission's internet service provider. Jim Gastel moved; Tim Bragg seconded approval to place the Treasurer's report on file. Motion passed.

5. Legislation

(18-001) RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE PECATONICA PATH COMMISSION BUDGET FOR FY 2019, 2020 & 2021.

Mike Holan moved, Jim Gastel seconded approval of a Resolution to approve the budget for the next three fiscal years. Motion passed.

(18-002) RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF EACH MEETING OF THE PECATONICA PRAIRIE PATH COMMISSION FOR FY 2019.

Mike Holan moved, Dennis Carr seconded approval of a Resolution to set the meetings for September 21, December 14, March 15 and June 21. Motion passed.

6. **Reports –**

a. **Staff**

Winnebago County (Carlos M.)

The trail is open, although some restoration work is still outstanding between Weldon-Meridian Roads. County staff will reinstall a brochure box at Meridian Road in addition to a box recently installed for the Village of Winnebago. DeGarmo trailhead is completed with the exception of minor punch list items. County staff will plow/salt the trailhead during the winter for patrons.

Commissioners also discussed the potential of an additional trailhead and additional poster size trail maps on aluminum sheets. Winnebago County Highway staff will get pricing and survey the commissioners to proceed.

Stephenson County

Stephenson County has received a project extension and plans to bid the project in March. The Project Development Report is still incomplete and right-of-way acquisition is still ongoing. City of Freeport is also looking to minimize changes in the path alignment to lessen costs not covered by the grant award.

ComEd Bridge Issues

The Commission has not received a response to date from ComEd. Recent evidence of survey work was observed; and a follow up letter to ComEd to inquire as to their planned activities.

b. **Publicity/Marketing:**

No recent activity. The Forest Preserves of Winnebago County has volunteered to keep tabs on matters regarding the domain name for the commission's internet presence.

c. **Maintenance Report:**

No report.

7. **Old Business**

Commissioners revisited the topic of using commission funds for trail maintenance expenses. The Commission needs to revisit past files/confer with past representatives as to the intent and purpose of the commission funds.

8. **New Business**

Pecatonica Path Incorporated transferred funds to the Pecatonica Prairie Path Commission. A decision is still pending to determine on a proper means to recognize Mary Mohaupt's contribution to the path.

9. **Adjourn / Recess**

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

**RESOLUTION OF THE
PECATONICA PRAIRIE TRAIL COMMISSION**

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**RESOLUTION ELECTING THE PECATONICA PRAIRIE TRAIL COMMISSION
OFFICERS FOR FY 2019**

WHEREAS, the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission Board of Directors, according to its Intergovernmental Agreement and By Laws, is required to elect a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary / Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, According to Article IV, B. – Commission Structure, the officers of the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission shall serve a one (1) year term or until a successor is elected; and

WHEREAS, the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission officers may serve more than one (1) term; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to elect a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary / Treasurer for FY 2019 Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners present, the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission hereby elects the following officers for the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission for FY 2019:

Chairman -	_____
Vice-Chairman -	_____
Treasurer -	_____
Secretary -	_____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Winnebago County Highway Department is hereby authorized to prepare and deliver a copies of this Resolution to the Directors and Alternate Directors of the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission.

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Steve Ehlbeck, Chairman
Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission

ATTEST:

Tim Bragg, Secretary
Pecatonica Prairie Trail Commission