PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PARK COMMISSION

January 21, 2021

The Board met in regular session on Thursday at 9:00 A.M. with Commissioners Eric Jaeger, Wayne Olson, Jason Rice, in person and Daniel Uran present via GOTOMEETING and Arden Eide was absent. Also present Wade Enget, State’s Attorney.

Also in attendance were Mallory Goff & Morgan Olonia; Justin & Dawn Ritts; Larry & Karen Fritel; Justin Scarborough; Nathan Busche; Amanda Young; Joan Hollekim.

Chairman Jaeger called the meeting to order.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the agenda as is. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the Minutes of the October 29, 2020 minutes as corrected. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to nominate Eric Jaeger as Chairman. Nominations ceased. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to nominate Arden Eide as Vice-Chairman. Nominations ceased. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Stephanie A. Pappa, Auditor reviewed the 2020 Financials for the Park.

Discussion was held on the Circle Sanitation Contract and the substantial increase with the 3 thru 5 year terms being 20%.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the 5 year contract agreement with Circle Sanitation for Parshall Bay and Van Hook. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, Uran and Jaeger voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 5 year contract agreement reimbursement for the fish cleaning stations at White Earth, Parshall and Van Hook. Dawn Ritts, Van Hook Manager stated thinks the contract should be changed to per fish cleaning station within in the park instead of a total reimbursement. Wade Enget, State’s Attorney stated the park could reconfigure the contract and base it off a percentage of cost for each fish cleaning station.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve the 1 year contract agreement with North Dakota Game & Fish for Parshall Bay, Van Hook and White Earth fish cleaning stations. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Clear Lake with no Game & Fish cost share requests for 2021. Discussion was also held on the email received from G&F concerning the boat ramp that is being exposed and in need of rip rap.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve spending up to $1,500 per request of G&F for the boat ramp repairs. Upon roll call, Rice, Olson, Jaeger and Uran voted yes. Motion carried

Larry & Karen Fritel with Clear Lake gave an update on the park. Karen Fritel along with Joan Hollekim reviewed the grant being applied for through the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Karen Fritel also would like to advertise requesting a donation for one more grain bin.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve applying for the Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant for the grain bin pavilions. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the White Earth Bay Annual Management Plan with the Corp. This will be brought forward at the March meeting.

No request for the G&F cost share request for White Earth.

Discussion was held on the fishing tournament reimbursement for White Earth from the Game & Fish and if anything is reimbursable from last year. Chairman Jaeger stated the dock be reimbursed with this fund and the upgrading of the plumbing and fixtures.

Justin Scarborough, Manager gave an update on White Earth Bay. Discussion was held on the pavilion and concrete work and the invoice will be brought back at the next meeting.

Nathan Bushe with the Corp spoke concerning the White Earth Bay dock and what is it being utilized for. Manager Scarborough stated it would be a combination of a gas dock and a fishing dock.

Discussion was held on the Parshall Annual Management Plan with the Corp.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve signing and sending the Annual Management Plan to the Corp. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve signing the ND Game & Fish cost share request for Parshall Bay. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the fishing tournament reimbursement for Parshall from the Game & Fish and if anything is reimbursable from last year. Nothing is currently reimbursable at this time.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve participating with the Corp for the Seasonal Camping Program for Parshall Bay and Van Hook. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Chairman Jaeger encouraged White Earth Bay to move forward with the seasonal camping program.

Morgan Olonia and Mallory Goff, Managers gave an update on Parshall Bay. Discussion was held on the two bids for the tractors due to the procurement policy. A special meeting maybe needed once the two quotes are received from Manager Goff.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve moving forward with the electrical upgrades to 50 amps for lots #38-43 in the amount of $7,300. Upon roll call, Jaeger, Uran, Olson and Rice voted yes. Motion carried.

Nathan Busche, with the Corp spoke on concerns with the upgrade of the lots a certain percentage will need to be ADA/ADM compliant. Discussion was held on the Seasonal Camping information that is needed by Managers Goff and Olonia to the Corp by the end of the month.

Discussion was held on the Van Hook Annual Management Plan with the Corp.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve signing and sending the Annual Management Plan to the Corp. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on installing cameras throughout the parks depending on the park some being installed in Fish Stations and some in camping spots. Chairman Jaeger received a quote for all parks with a range from $25,000 to $30,000. Chairman Jaeger will bring quote back to the next Park Board Meeting. Discussion was held on going forward with the fiber installation

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Rice, to approve signing the ND Game & Fish cost share request for Van Hook. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the fishing tournament reimbursement for Van Hook from the Game & Fish and if anything is reimbursable from last year. Nothing will be reimbursed at this time.

Wade Enget, State’s Attorney gave an update on the Van Hook Road, CR 15, 82nd Ave NW South being paved by the County and if the Park would like anything done with the road inside the park. Discussion was held on the timing events with the road construction project. Comm. Olson stated the Commission is well aware of the timing and is being looked at with the project. Chairman Jaeger requested the cost of bidding be in included for the Van Hook Park road.

Managers Dawn & Justin Ritts gave a park update on Van Hook Park. Manager Ritts discussed the fence around the dumpsters and the east side of the park which was cost shared by Van Hook Association and the County.

Amanda Young with the Corp discussed the North Day Use and the appraisal value should be ready at the March Meeting.

The Board adjourned at 11:55 A.M. to meet in regular session on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.

Accepted and approved this 18th day of March, 2021.

Eric Jaeger

Mountrail County Park Commission

ATTEST:

Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Auditor