PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PARK COMMISSION

June 16, 2022

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

Also in attendance were Morgan Olonia & Mallory Goff; Dawn Ritts; Nathan Busche; Jared & Kristin Iverson; Wayne Johnson, Terry Fleck and Jay Harstad.

Chairman Jaeger called the meeting to order.

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

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Eide, to approve the Minutes of the March 31, 2022 minutes. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the Minutes of the May 3, 2022 special minutes. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve the Minutes of the June 7, 2022 special minutes. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Stephanie A. Pappa, Auditor supplied the financials for the 2022 year.

Discussion was held on the Corps of Engineers annual inspections of the parks with White Earth Bay on July 19th at 9:00 a.m., Van Hook Park on July 19th at 12:00 p.m. and Parshall Bay on July 19th at 1:30 p.m. Comm. Eide and Comm. Rice will try and attend the inspections.

**CLEAR LAKE DISCUSSION:**

Karen & Larry Fritel, Clear Lake Park were present.

Karen & Larry Fritel presented the water well pump that was fixed and then ran dry. Larry Fritel is recommending drilling a new well that is deeper in order to be compliant with the ND State Health Department.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve moving forward with drilling a new well in Clear Lake Park not to exceed $5,000. Upon roll call, Jaeger, Eide, Olson and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

Karen Fritel gave an update on the Outdoor Heritage Grant for tree planting which were completed yesterday. Karen Fritel gave an update on the summer activities on Clear Lake.

**VAN HOOK PARK DISCUSSION:**

Dawn Ritts, Managers of Van Hook gave a park update. Van Hook Manager Ritts discussed a lot holder Lot 8, Block 15, Wes Jensen concerning the lack of yard maintenance. A letter will be sent requesting the yard be maintained.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve sending the letter to the Lot holder Wes Jensen located on Lot 8, Block 15 concerning the yard maintenance. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approving park management to move forward with renovation activities, fundraising and grant seeking for the Legion Park renovation project. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to agree that Mountrail County Park Board will assume maintenance responsibility for all improvements made to Legion Park renovation project. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Comm. Olson received an email on the Camping reservation fee requirements in Van Hook and Parshall Bay. Dawn Ritts stated that the $25 fee is a lock site fee for that specific site for the stay.

Discussion was held on the RTC boring on the fiber optic cable being buried for the cameras at fish cleaning stations.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve the transfer of Lot 5, Block 8 from Shawn & Kim Froseth to Jordan & Lindsey Wald. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Comm. Uran, seconded by Comm. Olson, to approve building permits: Lot 6, Block 8 for Mike Reid building a privacy fence; Lot 14, Block 17 for Derek Bischof for new trailer house and a new deck; Lot 5, Block 8 for Jordan & Lindsey Wald for trailer house and a deck. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion carried.

Nathan Busche, Corps of Engineers discussed the traffic counter needs to be replaced once the road maintenance is complete on the road.

Wayne Johnson and Terry Fleck with Van Hook Association gave an update on the 60’ x 100’ pavilion by the boat docks and phase II project which would include a bathroom facility and a small kitchen. Wayne Johnson stated the cost of the facility would be covered by creating an endowment fund to meet the cost of the upkeep. Wayne Johnson and Terry Fleck is recommending approval for the next Phase II project. Dawn Ritts to move forward with planning it would need approval with the Game & Fish and Corps of Engineers.

Moved by Comm. Olson, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve moving forward with Phase II of the pavilion project. Upon roll call, Eide, Jaeger, Olson and Uran voted yes. Motion carried.

**WHITE EARTH BAY DISCUSSION:**

Jared and Kristy Iverson, White Earth Manager were present.

A letter was received from the White Earth Bay Development Corporation inviting representation for the dedication of the pavilion & playground on July 16th at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman Jaeger discussed possibly purchasing the electrical RV pedestals/services from the White Earth Bay concessionaires. Chairman Jaeger reviewed the cost of installing the equipment and electrical at the campsite with the prior concessionaires.

The consensus of the board is to approve the purchase of the electrical and equipment for the campsites from Jared and Kristi Iverson with White Earth Bay to be paid in the next two or three budget years.

Managers of White Earth Bay Jared & Kristin Iverson gave an update on the park.

Moved by Comm. Eide, seconded by Comm. Uran, to approve paying for the gravel for around the pavilion and vault toilet not to exceed $4,000. Upon roll call, Jaeger, Uran, Olson, and Eide voted yes. Motion carried.

Nathan Busche, Corps of Engineers didn’t have any updates for White Earth Bay.

**PARSHALL BAY DISCUSSION:**

Discussion was held the Corps of Engineers letter for the low water boat access for Parshall Bay and Van Hook Park and the West Boat Ramp reconstruction.

Chairman Jaeger will sign once the completion of the work is completed for the compliance paperwork with the Corps of Engineers.

Mallory Goff and Morgan Olonia, Parshall Bay Managers gave an update on the park.

The Park Commission thanked the Corps of Engineers for all the work completed for the low water boat access throughout the county.

Nathan Busche, Corps of Engineers discussed the boat ramp reconstruction accommodations.

**ONGOING DISCUSSION:**

Dawn Ritts suggested another meeting before the October meeting. Stephanie A. Pappa, Auditor suggested a special meeting if its needed.

**ADJOURN:**

The Board adjourned at 11:40 A.M. to meet in regular session on Thursday, September 30, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

Accepted and approved this 30th day of September, 2022.

Eric Jaeger

Mountrail County Park Commission

ATTEST:

Stephanie A. Pappa

Mountrail County Auditor