



## MINUTES

### PARKS COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 29, 2012

8:30 a.m.

Marinette County Courthouse

1926 Hall Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room C314

Marinette, WI 54143

**Members Present:** Supervisors William Walker, Russ Bousley, Laurence Nichols, Allen Mans, Ken Mattison

**Members Excused:**

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** County Forest and Parks Administrator John Scott, Assistant Parks Administrator Erik Aleson, Representatives from the River Road Riders Chuck Panske, Bruce Mattison, Peter Hass, and Cheryl Winzenried, Peshtigo Times

#### 1. Call to order

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

#### 2. Approve/Amend agenda items

**MOTION** (Mattison/Nichols) to approve the agenda. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

#### 3. Public Comment – Limited to five minutes per person

Peter Hass, President – River Road Riders, expressed his concerns about landowners sending letters to attempt to persuade the county to change which club does the trail maintenance through their land and threatening to close the trail if their demand is not met, stating that this had never been done before. He explained how long the club had been involved in this particular trail and how they were always able to work out permissions.

Chuck Panske, River Road Riders, stated he felt it was certain people stirring up trouble with the land owners, there really was not a problem, and the real issue has nothing to do with the trail or who has the maintenance responsibilities.

Cheryl Winzenried, River Road Riders, explained about the change in ownership among the families of the properties in question and that the club just needs more time to contact and work with these landowners on a solution.

**4. Discuss/Consider amending the annual snowmobile trail maintenance agreements for the River Road Riders and the Ranger City Riders snowmobile clubs due to private landowner access issues, action, if any**

**MOTION** (Mattison/Mans) that the River Road Riders be allowed to continue to negotiate a trail like they have done in the past (around said property in question), and that trail reimbursement remain with that club like it has been for the past 20+ years.

Motion Carried on a roll-call vote, No Negative Vote.

**5. Adjourn**

**MOTION** (Nichols/Bousley) to adjourn at 9:17 a.m. Motion Carried, No Negative Vote.

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John T. Scott  
Forest and Parks Administrator