

**TOWN OF WESTPORT**  
**PARK COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Kennedy Administration Building  
Community Meeting Room  
5387 Mary Lake Road  
Waunakee, WI 53597

MINUTES – April 3, 2013 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to order at 5:35 p.m

Members present: Enge, Bridge, Trotter  
Members absent: Holm and Schall.

Others present: None.

2. Approve Minutes

The minutes of the August 1, 2012 regular meeting were approved as presented by unanimous vote. It was noted that no meetings took place from August 1, 2012 until April 3, 2013.

3. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

None

4. Westshire Conservancy/Jackson Landing Park Improvements Status/Update

Enge reported on the recent progress made at the Westshire Conservancy/Jackson Landing. Bridge commented on the wonderful work that had taken place and reported that over the winter a large tree had fallen into Jackson Creek. Enge to investigate and also review current status of canoe/kayak landing adjacent to the bridge. The group discussed the opportunity to possibly provide a connection from the Town Hall to the trail to Westshire Conservancy which would tie the trail system together with the Woodland Drive trail. Additional right of way may need to be considered and a pedestrian crossing at Hwy M may need to be discussed with the county highway department.

5. Park/Trail Maintenance and Development Discussion/Recommendations

Enge reported that the trail maps are being updated to include portions of the Military Trail and historic Indian trails within the town on the Pedestrian Trails Guide. He also noted that the following additional/replacement signs will need to be provided by the town:

- (1) Trail Continues (arrow up) Waunakee/Westport Parks – Montandon
- (1) Trail to Carriage Ridge (front) & Trail to Town Center (back)

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Engel commented that there are a number of trees down along the Six Mile Creek water trail and that assistance may be available from the Capitol Water Trails group to assist in the cleanup of these trees.

Engel stated that a reminder should be sent out with the notice of renewal of pet licenses that pet owners need to pick up after their pets on the trails.

Engel noted that Dane County Parks should be made aware of the numerous and deep potholes located on Catfish Court adjacent to the Dog Park. With the amount of traffic visiting the park, it was suggested that a letter be sent recommending that the road be paved by the county and as an interim measure, they should immediately provide an additional layer of gravel on the roadway.

Engel noted that the town should remind the state/county to continue the dialogue with Rice property owners for possible trail continuation acquisition.

6. Miscellaneous Business/Forthcoming Events

Engel mentioned that the town is reviewing the resurfacing of the tennis courts and possible inclusion of a backboard. Trotter stated that the resurfacing of the basketball court at Mary Lake Park should also be considered for inclusion with this work.

Trotter introduced discussion regarding a possible opportunity to provide signage and designate the area adjacent to the Woodland Drive culverts at Six Mile Creek as a Canoe/Kayak launch area. Possible creekside improvements would need to be discussed.

The next Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at Fran Bridge's home located in Westshire Village. A walking tour of the Westshire Conservancy will take place.

Adjournment at 6:28 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Reported by:

Mark A. Trotter  
Acting Secretary

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