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**BERTRAM CHAIN OF LAKES REGIONAL PARK
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021**

8:00 A.M.

**MONTICELLO COMMUNITY CENTER
(505 Walnut Street, Monticello, MN)**

1. Call to Order
2. Consideration of adding to and approving the agenda (Attached)
3. Consideration of Approving Minutes from July 2021 (Attached) (No Quorum September)
4. YMCA Camp Manitou Season Wrap Up (Eric F.)
5. Wright County - Status Reports on Regional Park Operations
 - a. Campground operations and usage
 - b. Facility rentals and usage
 - c. Programs and Events
6. Wright County 2022 – Projects
 - a. Paving
 - b. Playground Art
 - c. Directional Signage
7. Monticello School District – Nature Based Education Operational Update
8. Friends of Bertram Update
9. Discussion of Added Items
10. Schedule Next Meeting –?
11. Adjourn

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BERTRAM CHAIN OF LAKES REGIONAL PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL

Friday, July 9, 2021, 8:00 a.m.

Lakeside Picnic Shelter

Members Present: Lynn Anderson, Mark Daleiden, Tom Jahnke, Dawn Larson, Jeremiah Mack, Sam Murdoff, Eric Olson, Wes Olson, Darek Vetsch

Members Absent: Jim Davidson, Martyn Dibben, Jim Lindberg, Scott Peterson

Staff Present: Eric Fallon (YMCA), Beth Green, Brad Harrington, Marc Mattice, Tom Pawelk, Angela Schumann

1. Call to Order.

Vice-Chair Lynn Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:11 a.m.

2. Consideration of adding to and approving the agenda.

MARK DALEIDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS WRITTEN. MOTION SECONDED BY DAREK VETSCH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0.

3. Consideration of approving minutes from April 2, 2021.

MARK DALEIDEN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 2, 2021, REGULAR MEETING. MOTION SECONDED BY DAREK VETSCH. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0.

4. YMCA Camp Manitou Operational Update.

- a. Summer Camp Registration Outlook: They reached the enrollment goals for this year. Busing kids in from outside the area but the local numbers have gone up from years past.
- b. Summer Camp Dates of Operation: Camp will run through Labor Day Weekend, 9/3/21, and then will lease to the School District for the school year.
- c. Public Facility Usage – issues and plans: Not currently enough lifeguards certified so the pool will only be open to campers. The splash pad will be open on the weekends once the campground is open as that area does not require certified lifeguards to be on duty.

5. Wright County Status Reports on Regional Park Operations and 2021 Work Plans.

- a. Campground Operations for 2021: The plan is to open the campground up at half capacity and alternate each week to help the turf grass to get established. Sites 1-11 and 31-38 will open on July 23rd, and sites 12-30 will open the following week. The camper cabins will open on August 13th. Online reservations will kick off on July 14th. The campground will be open through Sunday of MEA weekend in mid-October. Seasonal sites will not be an option at the campground. Reservations may be made for a maximum of 14 consecutive days. Camper cabins may be reserved up to 120 days in advance.

- b. South Trailhead Parking: Trailhead parking expansion and improvements are complete, including improved canoe carry-in access to Long Lake.
- c. Trail Improvements/Connections: The trail connection has been made around the campground by the Long Lake Overlook.
- d. Wayfinding and Kiosk Signage: New signs are in place on the trails.
- e. Programs & Events:
 - Bertram Blast: The Bertram Blast has new ownership. The race went well this year with 135 registered and 115 participated.
 - Summer Programs included Paddling, fishing, a wellness program with Wright County for staff, moonlight canoe. There is a Raptor presentation scheduled in August. All programs are posted on the County website.
 - Blazin' Thru Bertram Phillip LaVallee Memorial Run: September 18th.
 - Visit with Santa: December 4th.

6. City of Monticello - Athletic Field Operations Update.

Tom Pawelk said the city is prepping for the State Tournament, which is scheduled for the weekend of July 16-18. They are expecting around 4,000 people per day but filtering throughout the day, not all at one time. There is overflow parking set up on the north end of the parking lot and staff is striping the gravel lot to help with proper parking and to ensure traffic flow. There will also be traffic control on site during the event. A new map of the fields was distributed to the soccer clubs and to the local hotels and Chamber.

Staff installed a small fountain and pump in the pond to help with water clarity. This will run continuously until freeze-up. The pond may eventually be used by the remote-control boat clubs.

7. Education.

The school district and the city are working on a lease agreement for a portion of the maintenance shed near the chalet. Tom Pawelk distributed the lease agreement for review. The lease includes upgrades to the shed at the expense of the school district so that the city can move their equipment into that area. The district will use their side for additional classrooms for their Pre-K thru Grade 5 nature-based learning program.

MARK DALEIDEN MOVED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT. MOTION SECNDED BY DAWN LARSON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0.

10. Friends of Bertram Update.

No Update.

11. Discussion of Added Items.

None.

12. Schedule Next Meeting.

MARK DALEIDEN MOVED TO SCHEDULE THE NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2021, AT 8 A.M. AT THE MONTICELLO COMMUNITY CENTER. MOTION SECONDED BY DAWN LARSON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0.

13. Adjourn.

MARK DALEIDEN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:07 A.M. MOTION SECONDED BY TOM JAHNKE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0.

Recorder:

Beth Green

Administrative Assistant

Approval Date:

Attest:

Martyn Dibben, BCOLAC Chairman

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