



**Special Meeting Minutes
Park Services**

Monday, November 21, 2016 4:30 pm

(Meeting Held at the Village Council Chambers)

PARK SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Call to Order: 4:30 pm

Mr. McNerney, Mr. Fleming, Ms. Clark

Advisors: Mr. Jeff Treubig, Mrs. Lucia Hanigosky

Administrator: Debbie Bluso-Rogers

Guests:

Business:

PROGRAMS/EDUCATION

Program Opportunities for immediate implementation and for 2017

- Astronomy
- Bird Watching
- Bluegrass Festival
- Class for Skiing
- Cross Country Skiing
- Master Gardening Talks
- Health Benefits to Skiing
- Hike for your Heart
- History – John Brown
- History Hikes
- Horses Talks
- Iditarod
- Meteor Showers & Astronomy
- Music Programs – Gary Pruitt!
- New Moon Hikes
- Seasonal Natures Hikes
- Sleigh Rides
- Snow Bird Festival (With Township)
- Snow Shoeing
- Snow Sledding
- Speaker Series
- TOTOTT
- Yoga

SIGNAGE

No Parking, Dog & Leash signs ASAP. Clark was approached by an unleashed dog which ran and jumped on her. A letter was mailed to the resident to remind them about the leash law and park rule. Leash signs will be placed at 4 entrances – main trail head, BTA Entrance Broadview Road Entrance, around the main loop (by Gemini)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Clark discussed TOTOTT – Mr. Fleming requested a written report.

ADVISOR REPORTS

Volunteer Updates - Things are winding down. Dilapidated picnic tables are being thrown into dumpsters, areas are being cleaned up. Trick or Treat on the Trail was very successful.

Biology/Education – Dr. Stanton absent. Clark reported. Turtles removed from the pool and put into the lake. Turtle & Bullfrog taken to the lab for observation and will be returned in spring. Mr. Fleming requested reports of the current 3 studies.

Park Services - Discussion on camping. Mr. Treubig discussed the need for camping in the area. He will gather information needed to implement camping and bring back to committee.

Fleming state that the park is being open up for public and residents and camping should not be a focus. Underage drinking will occur and there is no patrol, security et al. Neighbors want no weddings. There would be only minimal income.

McNerney is completely for the opposite. Camping for fees, income for rentals for to make money to operate the park.

Other Business:

OHC Update (Clark) Lengthy discussion of public comments made 11/14/26 concerning friend's organizations not being utilized. Clark stated that RJRD PS and OHS have been in discussion for months. OHC will be re-presenting to the PS team in January. She also stated that all volunteers are welcome to help whether they are part of a friends group or an RJRD volunteer. No volunteer has ever been turned down when opportunities arise. It was further discussed that the RJRD has park rules and regulations that need to be followed no matter who the person or persons are in violation. Most activity could be approved by following the procedures set in place through administration. Clark stated that she would be responding to the residents comments and concerns in the next public board meeting. This led to McNerney stating that questions should be answered directly. Clark disagreed stating emotions could get in the way as well as being put on the spot could prove detrimental.

Park Services will be switching back to the 3rd Monday of the month for their meetings, unless a special meeting is required. Meetings will be either 10:30 am or 4:30 pm. Decembers will be 10:30 pm.

Adjournment: 6:00 pm

Motion to adjourn by Mr. McNerney and seconded by Clark. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Clark