



**Special Meeting Minutes
Park Services**

Tuesday, August 23, 2016 4:30 pm

*(Meeting Held at the Village of Richfield Town
Hall, Finance Meeting Room)*

PARK SERVICES COMMITTEE Minutes

Call to Order:

Clark, Fleming, McNerney present

Guests:

Life Scout, Chris Morris
Steve Morris, Father
EDG Director, Katherine Holmok
EDG Land Planner Kristen Horine

Business:

RJRD was contacted by Life Scout Chris Morris. He is with Troop 385 and lives in Richfield. Chris's parents Stephen and Mindy Morris live the Village of Richfield. They are very active in this and other communities and Steve is a leader in Boy Scouts and has volunteered for RJRD. Chris is proposing an Eagle Scout bridge project that is in conjunction with the master plan. Understanding that Chris is proposing a bridge be installed on the gas cut, crossing the creek, administration spoke with Jeff Kerr, EDG who was pleased with the idea as bridge was planned for the area.

Following protocol, Chris presented his proposal to the Park Services Committee including representatives from EDG's Director Katherine Holmok, and Land Planner Kristen Horine. Under the direction of Chris's mentor – Mr. Wesley Weir (bio below), Chris designed a very challenging and thorough bridge plan. EDG was very impressed with the amount of work Chris has done in creating this bridge. Ms. Holmok gave a professional input into the design.

The committee had an opportunity to ask questions, but ultimately the motion was made by Clark, seconded by McNerney to bring forth a recommendation of allowing Chris Morris to present a bridge project as an Eagle Scout project for the property for full board approval. Chris will be making his presentation during the September 12 work session.

Discussion: McNerney opined that he would like to see the bridge expanded to hold horses and heavy equipment. Clark stated that if we change plans to include horses and larger vehicles the specs would change as so the permits. Morris will call the FD to see what the weight of the prospective rescue equipment is for the purpose of use of the bridge.

Roll was taken and the motion was passed. Clark requested that Morris provide his presentation for the entire board at the next work session – September 12. Briefing memo will be distributed for consideration.

PROGRAMS

Discussion took place on possible programming opportunities. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Adjournment

Chris Morris's Eagle Project Mentor Bio

Mr. Wesley Weir – Bio from LinkedIN – Vice President\Master Professional\Senior Project Manager at TranSystems

I have over 25+ years of experience in the design, inspection, load rating and rehabilitation of all types of fixed and moveable bridges, highway and railway/transit structures. A licensed Professional Engineer in 13 States and have completed numerous bridge inspection courses including FHWA-NHI Course #130055 - Safety Inspection of In-Service Bridges, and FHWA-NHI Course #130078 – Fracture Critical Inspection for Steel Bridges.

The majority of my career has focused on becoming a nationally-recognized expert on NBIS inspections and fracture critical structures and the rehabilitation of movable bridges. I have directed and managed NBIS bridge inspection and load rating programs, and bridge design and rehabilitation in over 23 States and county governments, regional transportation agencies, toll authorities, and railroads. I have provided innovative solutions to NBIS bridge inspection and rehabilitation projects, particularly for difficult access, complex maintenance and protection of traffic patterns, and high-level-long span bridges and have supervised inspection teams and participated in underwater inspection and scour analysis, material sampling and testing, and various non-destructive testing on fatigue cracks and fatigue prone details. Throughout my career I have been heavily involved with technical climbing (SPRAT) and rigging of complex, high level, difficult access bridges, and confined space inspections.

Respectfully Submitted



Kelly Clark