

SUNKEN LAKE PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025  
4:30 P. M., HOWARD MALE CONFERENCE ROOM

Committee Members in attendance – Chuck Lefebvre, Michael Rhodes, Dave Guthrie

Others in attendance – Project Engineer Rebecca Revard, Former co-managers Laura and Brian Ulch, Bonnie Krajniak and camper Sandra O.

Call to order – Dave Guthrie called the meeting to order at 4:30 P. M.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag of The United States of America

Roll Call – as listed above

Public Comment – none

Managers Report – Laura and Brian Ulch gave a report and presented the SLP inventory list

Old Business – none

New Business:

1) Spark Grant Update – Project Engineer Rebecca Rivard gave a report as follows:

A Pre-Construction Meeting was held at 9 A. M. on April 30 at the office of Huron Engineering. The Project Engineer; the Contractor, MacArthur Construction and a member of the Parks Commission were in attendance. The contractor will start with the construction of the ADA campsite on May 5. The contractor will coordinate the construction of the parking lot and the trail to the proposed kayak launch with the installer of the launch. Huron Engineering and Surveying will provide staking for the contractor as needed for the trails and proposed construction.

A request for advance No. 1 ( \$151,397.47) has been submitted to the DNR for review and approval. Advance No. 1 is for the construction of the ADA campsite, trails, parking area and pathway to the kayak launch. It also includes purchases of picnic tables, benches, a gazebo kit, trail signing and a mobi-mat. When the above construction is completed and the purchases are completed and installed within the park, a request will be submitted to the DNR for advance No. 2.

Advance No. 2 ( \$147,823.50 ) is for the purchases of playground and exercising equipment including installation and safety surfacing.

It appears that there will be approximately \$105,000 remaining within the grant funds to be used for additional construction or purchases. The possibility of paving the ADA trail and setting gates at the crossings of the trail with the park entrance road was discussed.

2) Search for new park co-managers and camp hosts – There appears to be 11 applications to date and the committee recommends that interviews be conducted as soon as possible.

3) Park cleanup – Gerald MacArthur has been working at the park and has made great progress with the cleanup. Holes in the roofs of the office and the bathhouse will need to be repaired. Both guests have volunteered to help with cleanup at the campground and day use area.

4) Monitoring of lake levels for future reference – Dave and Bonnie Krajniak will work together to monitor the lake levels. A reference mark will be set at the bridge. Levels will be checked monthly and at times of spring runoff and heavy rains.

Open to the floor – General discussion by guests, former park co-managers and committee members about park policies, and park cleanup.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:05 P. M.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 4:30 P. M. at Sunken Lake Park



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Dave Guthrie, Committee Point Person