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## Todd County Park and Trails Board

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# Todd County Park and Trails Board Minutes

May 16, 2012  
7:00 PM

Meeting at Battle Point Park Pavilion

### Present at Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> District – Kitty Tepley  
4<sup>th</sup> District – Al Loken  
5<sup>th</sup> District – Lee Christopherson  
Commissioner Randy Neumann  
At-Large – Ron Richter

### Absent

2<sup>nd</sup> District – Karen Nauber  
3<sup>rd</sup> District – Kevin Langer  
Commissioner Dave Kircher

### Guests

Roger Neumann

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- Open for Public Comment, No Public Comments

### Routine Business

- Board meeting was bought to order by Board Chairman Al Loken at 6:43 PM
- No Additions to the Agenda were made
- April 11, 2012 minutes were read by Board Secretary Lee Christopherson
- Motion to accept minutes by At-Large Board Member Ron Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Board Member Kitty Tepley, Motion Carried
- Bills from the Installation of the Pier were brought forward and will be sent the County Treasurer
- Finance report was read by Board Secretary Lee Christopherson, Current balance of Park and Trails account is \$36,237.29
- Motion to accept finance report as read by Board Member Kitty Tepley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by At Large Board Member Ron Richter, Motion Carried.

### New Business

- Board Discussion on the request of the use of Wobegon Trail for Isaac's Hope Foundation Event on July 21, 2012, Board granted the use of the trail. Board Secretary will E-mail organizer Linda Leiser.
- Board Discussion on the request of the use of Battle Point Park Pavilion and Parking Area by Runestone Amateur Radio Club for their Annual 24 Hour Disaster Exercise on June 23-24, 2012. Board granted the request will limitations of not using more than 60% of the Parking Area, Board Secretary will e-mail Event Organizer Mike Wisniewski.
- Board Discussion on the Walkway from Parking Area to the Fishing Pier at Battle Point Park. Board Action to Board of Commissioners stating the Park and Trails Board intentions of the walkway.
- Sentence to Serve can do the Walkway to the Pier
- Board will call Tryge at the DNR to see if there is any grant funding for the install of the 6 foot by 20 foot Handicap accessible Ramp to the Battle Point Park Fishing Pier.
- Motion on the floor to Install 6 foot by 20 foot Ramp with Board of Commissioners approval by Kitty Tepley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Richter, Motion Carried (Board Action)

Motion to Accept: Lee Christopherson  
Seconded: Kitty Tepley

- Board had a discussion on construction of a walking path to the restrooms; Board agreed that before proceeding with the path, the board need the approval from the DNR to proceed.
- Board Discussion on Clean up the brush at Battle Point Park Zone 3 with the guidance of the Vegetation Plan developed by the DNR
- Clearing and Cleaning of Battle Point Park Zone 3 can be done by civic organization like the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Sportsmen Clubs.
- Motion to proceed with Clearing and Cleaning of Battle Point Park Zone 3 by Kitty Tepley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Richter, Motion Carried (Board Action)
- Board requested that the Battle Point Park Zone 2 Beach sand blanket be done by Memorial Day and also have SRWD present when the Sand Blanket is installed. Permits are ready for Signatures.

### **Old Business**

- Board readdressed the canoe access project in Reynolds Township, Kitty Tepley and Ron Richter will contact the Chairman of the Reynolds Township Board and ask to get on their Agenda.
- P&T Board Secretary will send all the Park and Trails Board members the latest City and Township Officer Listings
- Board had a discussion about a Picnic at Battle Point Park on July 14, 2012 in appreciation for the support of the Park and also let the public have a question and answer session with the Park and Trails Board.
- Motion to Plan and Develop a Thank You Committee for the Picnic with help and input from the Board of Commissioners by Kitty Tepley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Richter, Motion Carried (Board Action)
- Board Secretary will check with Todd County Treasurer Karen Busch about insurance for the Battle Point Fishing Pier
- Battle Point Fishing Pier is in and waiting for the Handicap accessible ramp and walking path to be installed
- Fire Rings are in place at Battle Point Park and possibly more will be added later in the future
- The idea of a covered area for wood for the Fire Rings was brought up and was agreed to be a good idea, will discuss at a later meeting.
- Commissioner Neumann reported to the Board that it will be \$3800.00 to trench in Electricity to the Park, the work will be performed by REA
- Motion to go with putting in the Electricity at Battle Point Park by July 4, 2012 with \$4000.00 allocated for the project. Motion by Ron Richter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kitty Tepley, Motion Carried (Board Action)
- Board discussed the Landscaping around the Battle Point Park Pavilion, all were in agreement to get the landscaping done by July 1, 2012 (Resubmitted Board Action)
- Board discussion on the status of the Repair of the Ice Ridge at Battle Point Park, Waiting on Permits and Public Works to complete the work. (Resubmitted Board Action)
- Status of Restroom vent piping, wait for STS to complete the project.
- Board had a discussion on Playground equipment, Possible installing cheaper or used equipment at Battle Point Park.
- Send a Board Action to the Board of Commissioners defining the Playground Area and ask for Grant funding for the equipment

### **Other Business brought Forward**

- Board had a General Discussion:
  - \* Wobegon Trail needs to have some surface patching done (Safety Hazard), Contact Public Works
  - \* Need to put in a Hitching Rail for the Amish Citizens at Battle Point Park Parking Area
  - \* Restrooms exterior needs to painted, possibly the same color as the Pavilion
- Next Board Meeting June 14, 2012 at Battle Point Park
- Motion to adjourn by Board Secretary Lee Christopherson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Board Member Kitty Tepley, Motion carried
- Meeting Adjourned 8:50 PM

Motion to Accept: Lee Christopherson  
 Seconded: Kitty Tepley