

Approved

Delta County Parks Commission
December 13, 2006 Minutes

I. ROLL CALL – 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Falcon, Mark, Thill, Bengry, Lantagne, Larrabee and Jussila

ABSENT: Commissioners Herioux, Schultz and Shirley

OTHERS PRESENT: Manager Ness, Asst. Mgr Smith, Operations Manager Branz and Forrester Mattson

II. AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Commissioner Mark and supported by Commissioner Larrabee to add under C) #4: Operations Manager Goals and Objectives. Motion Carried. Moved by Commissioner Mark and supported by Commissioner Larrabee to also add to agenda a sub Letter D – Forrester Mattson #1: Hannahville, #2: PTP, #3: Carbon Credits. Moved by Commissioner Mark and supported by Commissioner Thill to approve the December 13, 2006 agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

III. MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Jussila and supported by Commissioner Mark to approve the November 8, 2006 minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

V. REPORTS:

Chairman's Report: *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*

A. Finance Report:

1) Payment of Bills: Moved by Commissioner Thill to approve the bills, totaling \$538.94. Commissioner Jussila supported the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

B. 1) Financials: None available

C. Supervisor's Report:

- 1) **Resolution:** Proposed draft and Administrator Erickson's suggestions were sent to the board for their review. Decided to still have the draft of the resolution go to the attorney first, then invite Mr. Erickson to the board meeting with his suggestions when the attorney's opinion becomes available.
- 2) **Sac Bay Timber Progress:** Contract was sent to Weyerhaeuser, and a better price was negotiated with a \$50.00 minimum. Mr. Mattson will work with contractor regarding better prices if available. Chairman Falcon will sign contract along with Mr. Mattson and Weyerhaeuser.
- 3) **Rapid River Falls Project:** Discussion regarding the well was held. System designed for the Scouts to construct as a project this spring. Well will be open fully in Spring for 6 weeks prior to having the water tested. Commissioner Mark discussed his information regarding the well project. Anyone with information or investigations going on, please relay all information to Mr. Mattson. Moved by Commissioner Mark and seconded by Larrabee to allocate funds for title search on entire parkland up to \$300.00. More discussion took place. Mr. Mattson asked to hold up on search. He can find out through NRCS (for free) if any grants or dollars were given for this property on any project. Branz reported that he might have the deed in the Parks Office. Call to question. MOTION Passed, with Bengry absent for vote.

- 4) **Goals and Objectives for Operations Manager:** Commissioner Mark moved to have a committee set up to discuss the goals and objectives of the Manager/Supervisor within a 60 day time period, and brought back to the board as a whole. Commissioner Larrabee seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Set up a special meeting after the first week of January for the whole board.

D. Forrester Mattson:

- 1) Hannahville: 2% money was discussed. New plans, very creative. If the park needs something, prior to 2% grants, call the District, they can help.
- 2) Pioneer Trail Project: Did quick walkthrough. Different from Sac Bay. Not the same type of value. The species will be listed with values, etc. Dangerous trees will be marked this winter and taken care of by Spring.
- 3) Carbon Credits. Discussed quickie plans with regards to the Chicago Climate Exchange. Explanations were given. Mr. Mattson will bring the plans to the board showing the benefit of our involvement with some of the parks with this program. Credits in the program equal dollars. This could increase money for the parks.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Survey Card – A sample customer survey card was given to the board. Time is needed for them to review; put on next months meeting agenda.
- b. Commissioner Mark brought up planning for the future of Pioneer Trail Park, referencing the plans that are taking place within the properties in the County around the Park. Manager Ness brought up the Park plan and having an annual review. Other townships plans should be involved in the Park Plan incorporating these ideas as a whole.
- c. Commissioner Mark moved to have the Parks Board Meeting held on a separate night from the Airport Advisory Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Jussila. Discussion was held. Call to question. Roll Call Vote

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| Jussila – YES | Bengry – YES | Lantagne – YES |
| Thill – YES | Mark – YES | Larrabee – YES |
| Falcon – YES | | |

Chairman Falcon is canceling the special board meeting. The board meeting will be held January 24th, 2006 (fourth Wednesday of January). The Goals and Objectives of the Parks Supervisor, and Park Planning to that agenda.

- d. Branz reminded the board of the 2% Hannahville grant due March 31, 2007.
- e. DNR grants are 25% match.

VII. NEW BUSINESS: Asst Manager Smith asked for approval to pay bills prior to the January 24th board meeting, based on late fee charges, etc. Moved by Commissioner Jussila and seconded by Commissioner Larrabee to allow payment of bills and a report of what was paid be given to the board at the next regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT:

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Jussila, seconded by Commissioner Thill to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kelly J. Smith, Assistant Manager

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Michael Falcon, Chairman