

Booth Lake Memorial Park Minutes
Wednesday, February 21, 2024
Meeting held at the Town of Troy
N8870 Briggs Street, East Troy, WI 53120

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kendall at 6:30 P.M. In attendance were Chad Wales & Dale Labecki – Town of East Troy; Joe Wisniewski (excused) – Village of East Troy; John Kendall & Jerry Arntson - Town of Troy. Also present was Shawn and Bonnie Merath.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The 2024 Pavilion Rental Lottery was held and attended well.

The 2025, 2026 and 2027 Boat Stall Lottery was held and also well attended.

Minutes from the January 17th, 2024, meeting were presented. Chairman Kendall made a motion to approve the minutes. Vice Chairman Wales seconded with changes, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's report for January 2024 was presented by Bonnie Merath. Chairman Kendall made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Board Member Arntson seconded, and the motion was approved.

	Dec. 2023	Jan. 2024
Ending balance	\$19,550.67	\$6,009.69
Loan balance	\$97,590.29	\$97,209.64
Savings balance	\$2,500.12	\$2,500.23

Caretaker Update: Shawn Merath provided an update on the maintenance of the park. Lawn Mowers have been serviced and are ready for the season. Adam's Electric has been paid the deposit for the Whole House Back-up Generator and will likely install in March. The Bathhouse septic will be cleaned and repaired in April, weather dependent. Trees will be trimmed this weekend. Bonnie Merath stated that the Treasurer accounts have been moved to QuickBooks and have been updated through January to start creating additional reports. Policy updates are also moving forward.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Triathlon swim event: Event creators asked that the event be moved from May 18 to June 1 due to responses that people felt the water temperatures would still be too cold for the swim. Discussion was had about the change and how it would affect the park as it would now be open for business during the event. The event creators stated that they would remove the 10K swim for this year. Swimming only the 2.5K and 5K they felt that the event would start at 8am and be finished by 10 am and the event would be completed by 11 am. This would allow for little disruption to the park and boat launch for normal weekend traffic. A motion to change the event from May 18 to June 1 was made by Chad Wales and seconded by Dale Labecki, the motion was approved.

Resolution 2024-1 which is related to the borrowing of \$100,000.00 by the park board for renovations to the Caretaker's residence and Concession Area was presented by Jerry Arntson. There was discussion on the resolution and a motion was made by Jerry Arntson and seconded by Dale Labecki to approve the Resolution 2024-1 as written.

Resolution 2024-2 was presented by Chairman Kendall which relates to the capital purchase for the installation of a Whole House Generator. The resolution requests the sum of \$5000.00 from each Municipality, Village of East Troy, Towns of East Troy and Troy, for a total of \$15,000.00. The resolution follows the Inter-Governmental agreement between the three municipalities. A motion to approve Resolution 2024-2 was made by Dale Labecki and seconded by Jerry Arntson and approved by the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget for 2024 - Jerry Arntson presented an updated version of the 2024 proposed budget for the park operations. Discussion related to the funding of the generator created changes to the budget totals for the 3 municipalities. Discussion about the Park's current By-Laws was also had relating to how the funds should be released by each municipality. It was decided to remove the \$15,000.00 for the generator from the budget as this is being addressed in Resolution 2024-2. A decision was also made to change the disbursement process for the park. In the past the park received a total disbursement of the funds in January. Going forward the park will receive 50% of the funds in January and if needed can request up to the total allocated for the budget year by each municipality. A motion to make the changes and approve the 2024 budget was made by Jerry Arntson and seconded by Chairman Kendall, the motion was approved by the board.

Change in By-Laws – after the discussion about the budget Jerry Arntson stated he would be happy to lead a committee to update the Booth Lake Memorial Park By-Laws and Inter-Governmental Agency Agreement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Eileen Kostopolus a resident of the Village of East Troy spoke about the updates to the park and stated that she is very happy with the updates and how the park is being maintained.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Chairman Kendall to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Labecki seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Merath - Treasurer