

CARVER COUNTY PARKS

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Carver County Park Commission Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11th, 2012

Public Works Building 11360 Hwy 212, Cologne, MN 55322

Agenda

- 1) Call Regular Meeting to Order (7:00 p.m.)
- 2) Roll Call (7:01 p.m.)
- 3) Approval of the February 8th, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes (7:02 p.m.)
- 4) Additions or Deletions to the Agenda (7:03 p.m.)
- 5) Approval of Agenda (7:04 p.m.)
- 6) Commissioner Liaison Report (7:05 p.m.)
- 7) Open to the Public (7:10 p.m.)
- 8) New Business (7:15 p.m.)
 - a. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
 - b. Presentation and Request to Construct Building(s) at the Onan Observatory (MAS)
 - c. Recommendation to Award Bid for the TH 41 Trail and (Walsh)
 - d. 2012-2013 Goals and Strategies (Walsh)
 - e. 2012 Park Tours (Walsh)
 - f. Lake Minnewashta Regional Park Fireworks Display
 - g. New Germany 125th Celebration
- 9) Staff Reports (8:30 p.m.)
 - a. Lake Minnewashta Park Aquatic Invasive Species Program (Klevan Schmitz)
 - b. Dakota Rail Regional Trail Phase II (Walsh)
 - c. TE Application Scoring (Walsh)
 - d. Governor's Fishing Opener (Klevan Schmitz)
 - e. Southwest Regional Trail Connections (Walsh)
 - f. Events and Activities (Klevan Schmitz)
 - g. Legislative Update (Walsh)
- 10) Commission Member Reports (8:50 p.m.)
- 11) Set Next Meeting Date (8:55 p.m.)
- 12) Adjourn Meeting (9:00 p.m.)

Please note if a Commission Member cannot attend the meeting, please call the Park Office at 466 – 5250.

<u>Draft</u> Meeting Minutes

February 8th, 2012 Regular Meeting

Members Present: Jerald Moja, Thomas Hermann, Cindy Dobratz, Myron Karki, Jeff

Anderson and Commissioner Tim Lynch

Staff Present: Marty Walsh, Lenny Klevan Schmitz

Public Present: Tim Kraft, Brian Herridge, Lorie Bryngelson **CALL TO ORDER -** Moja called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES - Karki motioned to approve the December 13th, 2011 minutes.

Hermann seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

AGENDA- Anderson motioned to approve agenda. Hermann seconded

the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC- N/A

LIAISON REPORT- Commissioner Lynch mentioned that the Carver County Board

recently approved to go ahead with AIS inspections at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park. Lynch also noted that the Carver County Board this past week approved to advertise for bids on

Phase II of the Dakota Rail Regional Trail.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Lake Minnewashta Regional Park AIS Update

At the January 10, 2012 County Board Workshop Session, Staff presented details for a proposed Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) program at Lake Minnewashta Park. The outlined program would begin May 15, 2012 and run for approximately 130 days ending September 19, 2012. Boaters entering Lake Minnewashta through the regional park would be inspected for AIS at Boat Access #1. Hours of inspection would be from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Labor and material cost were estimated to be \$31,000 for the program. Minnehaha Creek Watershed District offered to participate at 50% of the cost of the program. Training for AIS inspectors and Law enforcement would be provided by the DNR at no cost.

At the January 24, 2012 County Board meeting, the County Board authorized the AIS inspection program at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park, allocated \$15,500 from the County funds for the program and directed staff to develop a contract with Minnehaha Creek Watershed District for financial participation in the program.

Additional, staff has been in contact with representatives of the DNR about inspections to be conducted at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park. DNR staff has advised the County that they will be developing a contract which delegates the

authority to inspect boats to AIS inspectors under the employment of a local unit of government.

Work to requisition personnel for AIS inspections is underway with a goal to have inspectors hired and trained by the end of April 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Friends of Lake Bavaria Request for AIS Inspections

Carver County owns and maintains a small public boat access at Lake Bavaria. The Parks Department installs and removes a dock and provides other maintenance services at this public boat access.

Tim Kraft President of the Friends of Lake Bavaria made a short presentation and made a request for AIS funding and services. They are seeking similar consideration as was provided at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park given that the County owns land on this lake. Further it is stated that a second area would help to determine the validity of providing inspection services on area lakes.

If a similar program is considered for Lake Bavaria, an AIS inspection program would run from mid May to mid September approximately 130 days. Inspection service would begin at 5:00 a.m. and end at 8:00 p.m. all days of the week weather conditions permitting.

The cost to run a similar program on Lake Bavaria would be approximately \$31,000.

At Lake Minnewashta the County is contributing \$15,500 to be matched with \$15,500 of Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Funds for the inspection program.

A similar program for Lake Bavaria may also require matching funds to help with the cost of the program.

Walsh presented several options for the Park Commission to consider in making a recommendation to the County Board.

- 1. Recommend similar coverage as Lake Minnewashta at a cost of \$31,000 to County.
- 2. Recommend \$15,500 of County Funds provided that \$15,500 would come from other sources or a dollar for dollar match up to \$15,500
- 3. Recommend \$15,000 of County Funds and if additional funding can be found adjust the program to meet the level of funding provided by the County and other sources.
- 4. Recommend that Minnewashta was chosen as a pilot program and other lakes are not being considered at this time.
- 5. Install signage at Bavaria access directing boats to Lake Minnewashta Regional Park for inspection.

The park commission asked several questions of Mr. Kraft and had a good discussion around the topic of adding a second location to the pilot program.

Staff Recommendation

At this time Staff is recommending option 4. Option 4 is recommended because there has not been analysis of the site to determine how inspections would be handled on such a small site. It could be anticipated that the site constraints would not allow for efficient inspections without causing concerns with vehicles staging for inspections onto Shady Oak Drive. Additional, the Lake Minnewashta inspection program is a 50/50 match to County funds. At this time it is not known if the Friends of Lake Bavaria would be able to financially participate with matching funds for an AIS inspection program.

After the discussion commission Anderson made a motion to recommend option #2 above to the County Board. There was not a second for the motion. Moja made a motion to follow the staff recommendation (option #4) to not add another location to the pilot program. Karki seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-1 with Anderson opposed.

b. Year in Review Presentation

Klevan Schmitz made a PowerPoint presentation to the park commission. The presentation recapped the accomplishments of the department from 2011, upcoming projects, grant applications and department activities planned for 2012.

Klevan Schmitz also talked about some of the challenges the department will face in 2012 including the following:

Beach Operations at Baylor Regional Park

Since the early 1990's, a well and containment system for fresh water have struggled to maintain water quality suitable for swimming at the Baylor Park Beach. Eagle Lake which borders the park has poor water quality. Oftentimes by the 4th of July weekend the lake is a pea green color and unsuitable for swimming. The water curtain and well function to improve the water quality by isolating water that is being pumped into swim curtain area from the main body of the lake.

The water curtain is approaching the end of its life expectancy, is in need of significant repair and consideration for inclusion in an upcoming budget. Staff is proposing not to install the water curtain this summer to gage the public demand for swimming at Baylor Park. Sustainability of continuing the beach service is being questioned given that there seems to be only a moderate demand for swimming based on a park survey and beach monitoring over the past few years.

Although the water quality is improved when the well is in operation and curtain installed, it still is not of similar water quality as compared to the beaches at Lake Waconia and Lake Minnewashta. Local swimmers tend to use the Norwood Young America pool or perhaps travel further to lakes of better water quality such as Lake Waconia.

If during the 2012 season public demand would be strong enough to warrant installation of the water curtain. Staff could install the curtain at that time. If on the other hand the service is in low demand. Then staff would propose that the beach area be restored with lakeshore plantings and that the water based activity be focused more towards fishing and watercraft use.

The Park Commission was supportive of the plan to not install the water curtain and explore other potential water access options for the future at Baylor Regional Park.

Pond/Bridge project for Baylor Regional Park

Staff and members of the public have raised concerns about the pond's condition, lack of aesthetic quality and ongoing maintenance concerns. Additionally, the pond has a bridge structure which leads to an island in the middle of the pond. This bridge is in need of repositioning due to movement in the bridge's concrete bases. Maintenance is also needed to remove old paint and prevent further corrosion of the structure.

Staff is considering options which may fill in the pond and reposition the bridge to another location within the park. Before further work is done to consider filling in the pond, staff desires to know what concerns or sentiment the Park Commission has towards maintaining the pond, filling in the pond and or repositioning the bridge to another location in the park campground.

The Park Commission was supportive of the staffs plan to fill in the pond and relocate the bridge. Commission members where happy to see the creative solution staff came up with to solve these problems and also remove the replacement bridge from the parks CIP.

STAFF REPORTS-

a. Dakota Rail Regional Trail

The County Board will authorize bids on February 7, 2012 and that the State would shortly thereafter also authorize bids for the project to be advertised. The tentative bid opening date is the week of March 12^{th} .

b. Update on the Lake Minnewashta Regional Park/TH 41 Trail and Underpass

It is anticipated that the State will authorize advertisement for bid of the project the week of February 6th with a possible bid opening of February 28th.

c. Southwest Regional Trail Connection

Preliminary design has progressed to a point that land needed for the trail has been identified. Staff has begun to meet with property owners to solicit input in the preliminary design and inform them of the land that would be needed for the trail.

d. Events and Activities

Klevan Schmitz provided the following event updates:

Despite the lack of snow Carver County Parks has offered a variety of winter programs over the past few months including the following:

- -One Day Winter Day Camp at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park
- -Two Candlelight Walks at Baylor Regional Park
- -First ever Candlelight Walk at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park

The lack of snow has also cancelled a couple classes and programs including the Inaugural Cardboard Sled Races, Snow Shoe and XX-Ski lessons.

Staff is working on planning several new programs for the spring including:

February 20th - Winter Extravaganza - 9am-4pm at Lake Minnewashta

Regional Park (grades 4-8)

February 25th - Snowshoeing Class 10am-12pm at Baylor Regional Park

March 17th - Dog Sledding Program 1-4 pm at Baylor Regional Park

March 17th - Onan - Public Star Gazing at Baylor Regional Park 7-10 p.m.

March 23rd - Onan - Messier Marathon at Baylor Regional Park - Dusk

March 24th - Maple Syrup Open House 10 am - Noon at Baylor Regional Park

e. Legislative Update

Walsh noted that the 2012 Governors bonding bill currently only includes about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the past allotment for Regional Parks. If this does not change it will delay the reimbursement to Carver County for past land acquisitions at Lake Waconia Regional Park.

Commissioner Reports

Karki reminded everyone about the 2012 Governors fishing opener which is going to take place on Lake Waconia May 11-13th. Karki also mentioned that if anyone wants to buy a raffle ticket for the 2012 Crestliner boat he would be more than happy to sell you one.

NEXT MEETING - Park Commission next meeting will be March 14th, 2012.

ADJOURN - Karki made a motion to adjourn. Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



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DIRECTORS REPORT

April 11th, 2012 PARK COMMISSION MEETING

To:

Members of the Park Commission

From:

Martin Walsh, Parks Director

CC:

Lyndon Robjent, County Engineer

Tim Lynch, County Commissioner

Date:

4/6/2012

Re:

March 14th, 2012 Park Commission Meeting

The Park Commission did not have quorum at the March 14th, 2012 meeting and the commission did not take official action on agenda items. The April 11th, 2012 Agenda and Directors Report includes items from the March 14th, 2012 Agenda.

New Business:

A) Election of Officers

Ordinance No. 19, which establishes the Parks Commission, states that the Commission shall meet during the second month to elect officers. Positions of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary (Secretary need not be a member of the Commission) are to be opened for nominations. Elections were previously postponed to see if new members would be appointed to the commission and last month due to the lack of a quorum.

Recommendation: Nominations for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair will be taken. County Park Staff can fill the position of Secretary, as we have done in the past. Voting can proceed by show of hands or by written ballot, whichever the Commission is most comfortable with.

B) Presentation and Request to Construct Building(s) at the Onan Observatory

The Minnesota Astronomical Society (MAS) has made a request to the Parks Department to consider adding an additional building to house another telescope and possibly add a classroom. The buildings would be located in a campus style layout adjacent to the Onan Observatory building at Baylor Regional Park.

At the March 14th, 2012 commission meeting, staff and representatives of the MAS reviewed the

proposed request to add buildings for a second observatory and a classroom.

One small additional observatory is proposed. The structure is 16 feet in length and approximately 12 feet in width. This structure would have a domed roof with a retractable opening to view out through a telescope.

The second building is a classroom. The size of the building is 22 feet by 28 feet. The purpose of the building is to provide an area for instruction and shelter during poor weather conditions.

Representatives of MAS met with me on April 4th, 2012 to discuss issues that were raised at the March 14, 2012 meeting. Issues discussed included an approval process, site plan, grading plan/drainage, building architecture, building materials, labor for grading/excavating, compliance with building codes, future restrooms, building materials, and a desire to have the buildings look like they fit with one another on the site.

I reviewed with MAS representative a typical process for how improvements to our park areas are made. The process often begins with the Park Master Plan which shows all the planned and proposed park facilities in relation to one another. From the master plan, concept plans are made of how an improvement would be situated on a site within the park. This plan shows the relationships to other facilities and features in that area. A grading plan and construction documents are then developed consistent with the other plans:

MAS representatives provided several new options for the roof design of the proposed classroom structure. The designs included hip, gable and Quonset hut styles. We discussed the potential for County staff to excavate the foundation and provide site grading. Additional, we discussed what the process might be to move forward with construction.

Recommendation: For the commission's consideration, I would recommend the below review and recommendation outline for the proposed project.

- Develop, review and recommend agreement for MAS to construct new structure(s) at Baylor Regional Park
- Review and recommend a site plan
 - Building layout/orientation
 - Relation to other park features
 - o Grading and drainage
- Review and recommend construction of the building(s)
 - o Building design
 - Conformance with building codes
 - ADA access
 - Safety considerations
 - Exterior
 - Building style
 - Building materials
 - o Components such as walkways, retaining walls, landscaping, utilities
- Recommendation by the Park Commission to the County Board
 - Approval of an agreement to construct additional buildings adjacent to Onan Observatory
 - o Approval of Construction Plans

C) Lake Minnewashta Regional Park and TH 41 Trail Underpass Project

The bid opening date for the Lake Minnewashta Regional Park and TH 41 Trail and Underpass Project was March 14, 2012. Twelve bidders submitted for the work. The engineer's estimate was \$1,808,333 and the bids ranged between \$1,890,801 and \$2,158,658. The low bid was received from Rosti Construction and they have been cleared by MNDOT to be awarded the contract.

Anticipated financing for construction and engineering of the project includes.

- \$1,173,314.00- Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds
- \$665,331.12 City of Chanhassen
- \$451,591.63- County Sources (Parks and Trails Funds, Metro. Council and State Bonds)
- \$2,290,236.74 Total Construction and Engineering

Recommendation: Request the County Board to proceed with the construction of the Lake Minnewashta Regional Park and TH 41 Trail and Underpass project and award the construction contract to Rosti Construction Company of Minnesota Inc.

D) 2012-2013 Goals and Strategies

For the Commission's review and comment, a listing of 2012 activities, goals and strategies is provided as an attachment to this report.

Recommendation: The Commission should review and suggest priority of the activities, goals and strategies to help provide input and direction to staff.

E) 2012 Park Tours

Possible summer tours include the following locations:

- Lake Minnewashta Trail Construction
- Dakota Rail Phase II Construction
- Union Pacific Railroad Corridor
- Carver Park Reserve
- County Park Tour with Board Members
- Southwest Regional Trail Connection
- Other

Tours could begin with the May 8, 2012 meeting.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the commission develop a tour schedule for the month of May, June, July and August of 2012.

F) Lake Minnewashta Regional Park Fireworks Display

The Parks Department has received a request to launch fireworks within the Lake Minnewashta Regional Park boundary by homeowners on the lake. Carver County, with recommendation of the Park Commission, has approved previous requests.

The proposed fireworks display would be launched at Boat access #2 weather and site conditions permitting.

Launching of fireworks within the park is prohibited by ordinance without authorization of the County Board.

Recommendation: It is requested the commission recommend that County Board authorize home owners on Lake Minnewashta the ability to launch fireworks from the park. The home owner(s) must contract with a licensed and insured pyrotechnic firm, and coordinate the activity with the Chanhassen Fire Marshall and receive a park permit for the activity.

G) New Germany 125th Celebration

The Parks Department has been working with representatives of the New Germany 125th Celebration Committee. The event is to be held July 13-15, 2012. The Committee intends to host a number of events and activities at the depot location in town. The committee desires to sell and serve beer. It is unlawful for any person to use or sell any controlled substance in violation of state statute and or serve, possess or consume alcohol beer or wine within in a park or trail and is prohibited except as designated by the County Board.

Recommendation: It is requested that the Park Commission recommend that the County Board authorize the New Germany 125th Celebration Committee to sell beer or wine in conformance with state statute and designate the depot area in New Germany a place where beer and wine can be possessed and consumed during July 13th -15th, 2012.

Staff Reports

A) Lake Minnewashta Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Program

Interviews of potential AIS applicants were conducted the week of March 12, 2012. The DNR has provided a draft agreement to delegate authority for inspections to AIS inspectors hired by the County. The agreement is being reviewed by the County Attorney's Office. Staff has responded to the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District's (MSCD) request for further detail on the AIS inspection program to be conducted in the park. This information will be used for the development of a grant agreement between Carver County and MCWD to fund 50% of the costs for AIS inspections in the park. These agreements are tentatively planned for County Board approval on April 24, 2012.

B) Dakota Rail Regional Trail Phase II

The County Board did authorize bids on February 7, 2012 for the project. The Project Memorandum was approved by the State on March 7, 2012. Authorization to bid the project has been provided by MNDOT and is currently being advertised for bid. Bid opening is scheduled for May 1, 2012.

C) Transportation Enhancement Grant Scoring

Carver County applied for two Federal Transportation Enhancement Grants as a part of the 2011 federal grant solicitation. Applications were submitted for the Union Pacific Railroad Corridor, Extension of the Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail and for a trail along County Road 10, the County Road 10 Regional Trail, from the Dakota Rail Regional Trail to Waconia Parkway. While funding levels for the transportation enhance program have not yet been determined, the application for a trail on the former Union Pacific Railroad corridor form Athletic Park in Chaska to the City of Carver appears likely to be funded ranking 8th out of 49 applications. The County Road 10 Regional Trail project ranked 30th and appears unlikely to be funded based on past funding levels for Transportation Enhancements.

D) Governor's Fishing Opener (GFO)

At the April 3, 2012 Carver County Board Meeting, the Board agreed to waive park fees and to provide policing for the event. Policing is to be provided by the Sheriff Office. Expenses related to the event would be paid from the Commissioner Contingency Fund. In consideration for the services to be provided by the County, the County is applying to be a sponsor of the event. As a sponsor, the County would receive passes to some events and be provided advertising opportunities throughout the 2012 GFO.

E) Southwest Regional Trail Connections

Appraisal service has been requested for the three identified parcels needed for construction of the trail. A draft Project Memorandum has been prepared. This document has been sent to other agencies for review. A meeting was held March 22nd, 2012 with representatives of the City of Victoria, City of Chaska, Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority, Three Rivers Park District (TRPD), WSB consulting engineer and County Park Staff. A follow up meeting was held with representative of the Three Rivers Park District, representatives of Victoria and Carver County to discuss potentially expanding the length of trail to be constructed in Victoria, operations, maintenance and an approval process with TRPD to construct the trail segment. THRPD desires to construct approximately 2237 feet of trail between our terminus point at the public boat launch facility east to an existing paved trail within Carver Park Reserve. It is proposed that the additional engineering and cost to construct this segment of trail would be funded by TRPD. This work would also be in included in the contract along with the segment of trail to be constructed west of the boat launch facility to take advantage of the economies of scale.

F) Events and activities:

Staff will report on past activities and report on several new programs for the spring including:

- March 24th Maple Syrup Open House 10 am Noon at Baylor Regional Park
- April 7th "Eggggs-traordinary" Dogs Easter Egg Hunt at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park
- April 28th Onan Astronomy Day at Baylor Regional Park 2-10 p.m.
- May 5th Earth Day Park Clean up at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park 10 am- Noon
- May 9th Parent/Child Archery Class at Baylor Regional Park 6:30-7:30 (4 weeks)
- June 3rd Full Moon Hike and Star Gazing at Baylor Regional Park 8 p.m. 9:30 p.m.
- June 9th National Get Outdoors Day and Family Campout at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park

Volunteers are always needed any welcome at most of our events. Please let staff know if you are able to assist with an upcoming program or event.

G) Legislative Update

Verbal report to be provided at the meeting.

Draft 2012-2013 GOALS, STRATAGIES AND INITIATIVES March

(by functional area) Goals/Initiatives

Priority H,M,L Next Steps

2012

Status **Progress**

ADMINISTRATIVE

2013 Budget 2014- 2018 CIP

Budget Preparation

Develop Long-Term CIP Funding Plan

Meet with County Board

ties, to public health, Education,.... Develop Annual Report, Focus Invite Board Members to Events, Activities on the importance of Parks and Recreation Tour Regional Park Areas

City Council of Waconia ** Interaction with Boards and Committees

Boat Access

Update on Progress, Seek Support for

Introduction, Review System,

City of New Germany **DNR Officials** Area Legislators MPOSC Representative

City of Chaska City of Chanhassen

Request Budget to Support Software Research Asset Management Programs

Ground Breaking Ceremony LMP TH 41

Ground Breaking Ceremony Phase II DRT Continue to discuss partnering on Boat Access Meet and discuss Parks and Trails Funding

Acquisition of Land for SW Regional Trail

use of technology

Improve asset management with

Improve Customer Service/Park Operations

services, voice mails or other self help areas to work schedules, increase in personnel Review Staffing Levels and Service Demands **Develop New Recreation Programs** Addressing and Signage of Park Buildings What improvements can be made to online Determine if changes should be made

Develop Goose Management Plan for LWP

(by functional area)	Goals/Initiatives	
H,M,L Next Steps	Priority	<u>2012</u>
Progress	Status	

	Amendment	and Trails Funds From the Constitutional	Revise and Update Priority Listing of Parks
Pavement for LMP Road, LWP Playgrour	Union Pacific Rail Road, County Road 10	Dakota Rail, LMP TH 41 Trail, SW RT	Current Projects

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Continue with Quarterly Newsletter Park Commissioners - staff at City Festivals? Use of Social media, list serve flyers at regional park entrances and Kiosks recreation programs through signage and Improve awareness of special events and

Parks @ Trails Funds Meet -Use of Clean Water, Heritage,

Participate in SHIP Program

Employee Bike Ride, Fitness activity

Blair Anderson review service needs Meet Sheriff, Jim Olson, and Commander Continue to Support CSO's

Work to resolve Co . Rd 10 Trail Connection

of agency investments Develop Report for County Board, comparison Attend Legislative and I. A. Meetings Work to position County for Grant Opportunities, P &T, TE grants

Collaborative Projects

Through Marketing

Improve Participation and Public Awareness

Land and Water Services/ Environmental

Public Health

County Wellness Committee

Park Patrol Provide Safe and Respectful Park Areas

Improve Access to Parks and Trails

**Improve Park Funding

	Progress	H,M,L Next Steps	(by functional area)
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Develop Resource Information
and Potential Measureable Outcomes
Employees per thousand
Dollars expended per thousand
Amount expended per residence

Analyze Past and Recent Survey Data to
Determine Level of Support and Opportunity
Analyze and Compare CC. to Other Metro Parks Systems
Parks Systems and Surrounding Counties
Inform County Board of findings

Attract and retain customers

Trail projects, Maintenance, New Park Programs Advertisment, Press Releases

PLANNING/ACQUISITION/DEVELOPMENT

<u>Development</u> Lake Minnewashta Regional Park Trail and Box culvert Installation Dakota Rail Regional Trail Phase II

Construct Trail
Construct Trail

<u>Lake Waconia Regional Park</u> Memorial Forest Install Walking Trail

Have County Board Autorize Donation Program As work allows, make minor improvements Work with City of Waconia on Utility Plan for East Lake Development

Baylor Park

Utilities

Storm water\Pond Improvement

Develop plan to fill in pond and replant Relocate Bridge

Evaluate beach use and demand for serivce

Southwest Regional Trail Connection

Beach

Appraise Land needed
Work to acquire property
Develop Plans and Specifications

(by functional area) H,M,L Next Steps	K	<u>2012</u>
Progress	Status	

Land Acquisition	
Union Pacific Railroad (Chaska Ind. Lead)	Complete agreement with Cities and
	MCES and Scott County
Southwest Regional Trail	Oder Appraisal, Work to Negotiate Sale
County Road 10 Trail Connection	Propose offer after Eminent Domain
	Settlement for Co. Rd 10
Work to acquire property within Lake	Work on Legislative request for funds
Waconia Regional Park Boundary	Continue Discussion with DNR on Partnering
	to acquire the Pauls Parcel
Coney Island	Stay in contact with Owner
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Natural Resource Restoration Projects	Planning Parks and Trails Applications
Identify project areas, LWP, LMP, BP, Crow	

	Prepare Plans for Future Projects	Transportation Fund Grant Application	
LMP Road LMP, BP, LWP restoration - Prairie, Forest LMP Boat Access LMP Group Area LWP Phase 1 Construction Plan LMP Gate House/ visitor bldg. Relocation Southwest Regional Trail Connection	Trail connections -Chaska to Victoria	Develop future listing of projects	

Promote Observatory Through Special Events

Other Onan Observatory

Consideration for Aditional Building(s)

Goals/Initiatives
(by functional area) 2012 Priority H,M,L Next Steps Status Progress

Dakota Rail Line Stewardship Program
Management of Leases
Maintenance Program

Convert leases to permits Continue minor maintenance

Possible Tours
Lake Minnewashta Trail Construction County Park Tour with Board Members Carver Park Reserve Union Pacific Railroad Corridor Dakota Rail Phase II Construction

Physically Challenged/Older

Select Possible Tours

Continue with improvements

VOLUNTEERISM INITIATIVES

Volunteer Program Initial Development

at Lake Minnewashta Regional Park Budget Installation of Aggregate Pathways Re grade portions of trails at LMP

Volunteer Opportunities
Arbor Day/Earth day **Buckthorn Removal/Containment**

Continue Program

Adopt A trail Program recruitment organization Send information out to volunteer

Continue Program