River and Trails Task Force Minutes- November 4, 2019

Present: Parks Director Dan Glynn, Larry Liebmann, Jon Lewis, Ralph Erickson, Sandra Black, Bob Diebel, Nancy Hagen, Jim Wilcox, Jim Killian, Council person Phil Caravello

- 1. Call meeting to order. Motion by Phil and seconded by Bob to approve September 9, 2019 minutes. Carried.
- 2. Communications: Dan is working on impact fees for trails in new developments. This would be in addition to park fees. Spread sheets on this proposal are available for review on the City Parks / recreation webpage.
- B. Dan shared upstream water surface chart. This is available on the city park/recreation webpage.
- C. Bob shared discussion on making another drop on proposed Yahara River White Water Park project north of mill pond. The improvements would enhance the length river recreation. Also discussed height on 4th Street bridge and ways to get under the bridge.
- D. Holding back water was discussed with DNR which may be problematic in eligibility for dam removal grant.
- E. White water project should not hold any problems for Syttende Mai race.
- F. Sediment results did not seem to alarm anyone for pollutants in River. Sample taken from Millpond north of the present 4th street dam.
- 3. Volunteers- Dan suggested creating a park foundation that would have 501(c)(3) tax benefits for donations.
- 4. Mandt Park Master Plans shared. Several options shared. Copies available at Park and Recreation office. Plan is waiting for a public input.
- 5. Old Business

Discussion and updating trail maps. Jim Killian talked about several options for design from a business called photography lab. Dan will ask Chris James about any printing services from the County and prices.

6. New Business

Phil and Jim Wilcox discussed utility companies tree cutting on east Side. Committee will take a look and report at next meeting of possible trails in this cut area.

7. Motioned by Nancy seconded by Sandra to adjourn at 6:48. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hagen