

Antrim Creek Natural Area

Jerroll Drenth, Chairman

Jacob Veenstra

Betty Hoffmann

Gary Strange

Carl Veenstra

March 10, 2010

Minutes

Meeting held at Banks Township Hall in Ellsworth

Members Present: Jerroll Drenth, Carl Veenstra, Gary Strange, and Betty Hoffmann

Members Absent: Jake Veenstra

Others Present: Joe Meyers

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Review of Minutes

Motion by Betty Hoffmann, supported by Jerroll Drenth, to approve the May 2009 minutes as presented. Motion carried – unanimous.

5. Various Matters

Discussion ensued over when and how often the Commission should meet.

Further discussion ensued over the Parks and Recreation Plan.

Our next meeting will meet in July 7, 2010 at the Antrim Creek Natural Area, weather permitting.

Discussion ensued over putting a boat launch on Lake Michigan.

Motion by Carl Veenstra, supported by Betty Hoffman, to request that any information regarding the Antrim Creek Natural Area that will be written in the Antrim County Parks and Recreation Plan should first be reviewed and approved by the ACNA Commission. Motion carried – unanimous.

Discussion ensued over the wildflower and the trail maintenance.

The Commission asked the Coordinator/Planner Office to look into re-grooming the non-ADA trails.

6. Public/Member Comment

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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July 7, 2010

Minutes

Meeting held at Antrim Creek Natural Area

Members Present: Jerroll Drenth, Carl Veenstra, Gary Strange, Jake Veenstra, and Betty Hoffmann

Members Absent:

Others Present: Joe Meyers, Steve Jones, Dave Jones, Nancy Jones, Chuck Cleland, and Eileen Wallick

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Review of Minutes

Motion by Gary Strange, supported by Carl Veenstra, to approve the March 10, 2010 minutes as presented. Motion carried – unanimous.

4. Parks and Recreation Plan

Discussion ensued over change the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is making in the Administrative Structure in the Parks and Recreation Plan. The Committee found no issue with the change.

Discussion ensued over potential projects that could happen over the next 5 years at ACNA. The Commission discussed the School House and upgrades to the trails. The Commission decided that they would come up with a list for next meeting.

5. Metal Detector Policy

Discussion ensued over the Metal Detector Policy and an individual that had requested to pan for gold in the creek. Chuck Cleland indicated that he would like the policy updated with a few changes. He would also not like to see metal detectors used in the creek. He also recommended that we add to the policy that we only allow studies conducted by a professional listed on the Register of Professional Archeologists.

The Committee decided that they would address the policy next meeting.

6. Public/Member Comment

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

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October 6, 2010

Minutes

Members Present: Carl Veenstra, Gary Strange, Jake Veenstra, and Betty Hoffmann

Members Absent: Jerroll Drenth

Others Present: Joe Meyers and Eileen Wallick

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Review of Minutes

Motion by Gary Strange, supported by Jake Veenstra, to approve the July 7, 2010 minutes as amended. Motion carried – unanimous.

4. Parks and Recreation Plan

Joe Meyers informed the Committee of the Parks, Lands, and Recreation Plan and how ACNA needs to come up with a 5-year plan. Discussion ensued over potential projects at ACNA. The Committee decided to add to the plan the following issues: 1)Purchase the Schoolhouse adjacent to the property; 2) improve the existing trails; 3)improve the fish habitat in the Creek, and 4)stabilize the shoreline.

5. Public/Member Comment

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.