Recreational Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday June 4th 2013

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Karen Mulari (C), Hank Ludtke, Steve Lindow, Larry Knutson, Katherine Warren, Lonnie Neuner, Ben Grimsley

Staff Present: Martin Wiley, Guy Fischer

Audience/Guest Participation Per Agenda: Howard Kluender, Ruth Bergquist, Willis Mattison, Arvan Matheny

- 1. Chair Welcome/Introductions:
 - March Meeting Minutes approved (Ludtke motion; Neuner 2nd; passed)
 - May Meeting Minutes (No quorum); handled as part of Open forum
- 2. Open Forum: Ruth Bergquist, Willis Mattison, Arvan Matheny discussion about meeting minutes suggested changes; Staff had incorporated some requested changes already, Mulari made motion to post presentations provided by presenters; motion passed.
- 3. Woods N Wheels Presentation (Preliminary): Howard Kluender
 - Interest in exploring Designated ATV trail development to provide financial assistance for maintenance of existing trails; will county allow club to maintain some trails that are in need of repair?

Interest in destinations, Forest Riders new connection provides potential route to Two Inlets, signage needed, County recreational survey supports ATV riding, vast majority of users don't experience conflict (ref. p. 17 in survey). Sensitive to others feelings, ref. to their mission statement, 8 trail ambassadors (trail monitoring and safety), forest restores.

Q. Is anything specifically designated for ATV use only? Some are multi-use and need maintenance.

Staff comments: Some conflicting use, what are RAC priorities for what it wants to see on land? Prior to next months meeting staff will work to realign the maps provided per the presentation to determine where County can help with maintenance. Also look at what's sustainable/not sustainable, what requires an Environmental Assessment and existing uses.

Comments: Pick trail to enforce it, right now nothing is enforceable; maintenance needs to be done immediately; two competing interests – what is the mission? Example provided of Tamarac and its core mission aimed at wildlife. How will the groups come together? Where do recreational activities fit – balanced approach. Lots of people want to use areas.

Staff comments: We need to ID routes and assess trails. Access routes to be explored; more clarity on routes.

Chair Comments: What recreation should happen on these lands – interested in hearing from all parties, what are common threads, we want to work with people. Come together.

4. Meeting adjourned