



COUNTY OF BECKER

Recreational Advisory Committee

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RAC Field Tour/Meeting Notes

June 11th, 2024

8:00 –12:30 pm

Becker County

Committee Members Present: Phil Hansen, Keith Zachariason, Jim Granger, Howard Kluender, Karen Mulari, Hank Ludke

Absent: John Okeson, David Meyer, Del Bergseth, Cody Piper, Steve Skoog.

Staff Present: Mitch Lundeen

1. Field Tour Sites and Recommendations:

- a. Osage Swimming Beach
 - Add beach sand and fix erosion issues.
 - Reach out to SWCD and DNR Hydrologist regarding concrete and rebar removal in the water.
 - Replace boards on bench.
 - Consider planting trees, provide some picnic tables, a small shelter in the future, and fix up the parking area.
- b. Chilton Park
 - Add 2–3-day use/picnic sites and create or improve hiking trails.
 - Possibly install some hand water pumps, check with Dept of Health and DNR.
- c. Shell Lake Block
 - Maintain the main forest trail/road periodically.
- d. Tax Forfeited Parcel on Little Sugarbush Lake
 - New Tax Forfeited Parcel (30 acres, 1,500 feet of lakeshore) with cabin.
 - If we can't sell or the county board chooses not to, consider creating it into a park, campground, or day use area open to the public.
 - Need to maintain the existing tax forfeited lands we manage first.

Current/Ongoing Projects:

Dunton Locks Shelter Grant- State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) response to Becker County agrees with our conceptual site plan and new building location to avoid impacting positive sites. According to SHPO, we will need to avoid placing the future water treatment basin in the conceptual location. All construction should be done in areas that have existing ground disturbance (pavement, sidewalks, etc.) Staff will work with engineering and construction firms to prepare final site and building design. Staff hope

to put together requests for bids for building construction by late July and have the building up or elevations set prior to winter of 2024/2025.

Toad Mountain Property – Trust for Public Land (TPL) has a purchase agreement with the current owner. Becker County has sent out a Request for bids to several master planning firms on June 11th, **RAC will be responsible for reviewing bids on the 9th of July at the next RAC meeting, then provide a recommendation to the County Board on July 16th for selecting a planning firm.**

Meeting Adjourned at 12:35pm

NEXT RAC MEETING DATE – Tuesday, July 9th, 2024

2024 Meeting Dates (1-2:30)

7-9-2024

8-13-2024

9-10-2024 10-8-2024 11-12-2024 12-10-2024.

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