

**TOWN OF WESTPORT**  
Kennedy Administration Building  
Community Meeting Room  
5387 Mary Lake Road  
Waunakee, WI 53597

**MINUTES** – June 7, 2017 at 5:30 PM

Members present: Dave O'Malley, Michelle Wing, Terry Enge, Sheldon Schall

Absent: Mick Holm, Mark Trotter

Also Attending: Terrance Wall

Meeting convened at 5:30, May minutes approved by Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> by O'malley

**Community of Bishops Bay Plat/Trail System**

Terrance Wall developer for Community of Bishops Bay gave an overview of the plat and park system of the new development. The community is connected throughout with trail easements linking parks and open space as well as linear hiking and biking trails. The park system includes many playground areas and sports fields as well possibilities for disc golf, paddle boards, horse stables, ice skating ponds. A possible dog park may be considered in the Prairie development. A detention pond will dredged in the northwest corner and include and island for waterfowl 20 acres is set aside for an elementary school. 50 acres of upland is set aside as nature open space with hiking trails and view sheds. The Farm development will have orchards and prairie and individual gardens for each home site. A farmers market could be a future element. Town of Westport will maintain Westport parks and prairie in the development. One of the parks being the Sam Jacobson memorial park. HOA will maintain bike trail for 10 years. Town of Westport, City of Middleton, Dane County Parks as well as the DNR and Kathy Stepp and Communities of Bishop Bay are working together on construction of additional bike paths thru Bishops Bay as well as continuing along Hwy M into Century Avenue Middleton and thru Governor Nelson state park linking town and village of Waunakee. Terrance was hoping for a recommendation from Westport parks to the board approving the Phase 5 development which incorporates the construction of the new road from Hwy M into the beginning development of the Farm and Prairie plats. Also the construction of the bike path along Hwy M. It was mentioned with a school on site to contact Aldo Leopold Nature Center in Madison for information on educational classes that could be incorporated in the school development. Question of street lights was answered that no streets in the Westport areas will have street lights. The whole development is in the Waunakee school district. Motion was approved O'Malley 2<sup>nd</sup> Wing.

**Miscellaneous Business**

In other matters discussion of maintenance of our parks as Canadian thistle is becoming a problem in steeple chase as well as growing thru the benches in Jackson Landing. Night shade vine should also be removed in steeple chase, unsightly and tempting but nonedible berries for little ones. More discussion with the addition of Bishops Bay parks a study may be needed as to

additional maintenance staff for the town of Westport. Enge mentioned he opened the waterway into Jackson Landing and the landing area from the lake as it was closing in again. Wilson to communicate with supervisor Barry on a date in the dry months of summer to add 100 feet of rock to the DNR trail west of woodland drive. Barry has been in on discussions and mentioned assistance with volunteers may be needed. An additional trail sign may be needed on the DNR land as to confusion of the Gov. Nelson trail.

### **Six Mile Creek Clean-up**

Capital Water Trails has scheduled June 24<sup>th</sup> for six mile creek clean-up and has asked for volunteers for that day. Wing has posted the date on our Marylake face book page. Anyone interested in helping on that date to please sign-up.

### **Mary Lake Playground Equipment**

Mary lake park addition playground equipment is being fenced and ready to be installed.

Meeting adjourned 6:45 on motion Schall 2<sup>nd</sup> O'Malley.

Minutes presented Enge Chair