

September 17, 2008

## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BROWN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The EDUCATION & RECREATION COMMITTEE met in regular session on September 4, 2008 and recommends the following:

1. Review minutes of:
  - a) Library Board (7/17/08).  
Receive & place on file.
2. Arena/Expo Centre - Event Attendance (July 2008). Receive & place on file.
3. Arena/ExpoCentre - Communication from Supervisor Steve Fewell re: Request that the putt-putt golf course be removed from the area in front of the Veterans Memorial as it blocks the view to the Veterans Memorial. (Referred from August County Board.)  
Receive & place on file until the Veterans Groups and other interested parties return with a policy for the area around the Veterans Memorial.
4. Library - Budget Status Financial Report for July 31, 2008. Receive & place on file.
5. Library - report. Receive & place on file.
6. Museum - Audit of Neville Public Museum (by Internal Auditor, Sara Perrizo). Receive & place on file.
7. Museum - Attendance & Admissions (July 2008). Receive & place on file.
8. Museum - Budget Status Financial Report July 31, 2008. Receive & place on file.
9. Museum - Re-accreditation for Museum (informational only). Receive & place on file.
10. Museum - Director's report. Receive & place on file.
11. Golf Course - Budget Financial Status Report for July 31, 2008. Receive & place on file.
12. Golf Course - Report Financial Statistics as of August 17, 2008. Receive & place on file.
13. Golf Course - Superintendent's report. No action.
14. NEW Zoo - Budget Status Financial Report (distributed at meeting). Receive & place on file.

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15. NEW Zoo - Request for Budget Transfer (#08-56): Increase in Expenditures with Offsetting Increase in Revenue: Donation received from Thursday Breakfast Optimist Club (\$2,050) to be used specifically for the purpose of renovating the NEW Zoo amphitheater. Approve.
16. NEW Zoo - Monthly Activity Report.
  - a. Animal Collection Report.
  - b. NEW Zoo Admissions Revenue Attendance 2008 Report.  
Receive & place on file items a-b.
17. NEW Zoo - Education & Volunteer Programs Report (August 2008). Receive & place on file.
18. NEW Zoo - Gift Shop Concessions revenue 2008 Report. Receive & place on file.
19. Parks - Communication from Supervisor Tom Lund re: Constituent wants dog access for a dog trail at Reforestation Camp. Refer to staff to come back with suggestions for dog access until the east side dog park is complete.
20. Parks - Request for Budget Transfer (#08-54): Interdepartmental Transfer (including contingency or general fund transfers): Transfer grant funds received in Land Conservation to Parks to reimburse for expenditures incurred at Reforestation Camp for a buffer strip of plantings and an access bridge (\$1,900). Approve.
21. Parks - Discussion of list of department vehicles. (Held from previous meeting.) Receive & place on file.
22. Parks Discussion of future campground at Brown County Fairgrounds. (Held from previous meeting.) Request staff, along with Supervisor Johnson to:  
Complete an engineering estimate for the Fairgrounds, North.  
Review potential expenses and revenues.  
To investigate grants or private funding.  
To determine if a special enterprise fund could be created for County Fairground camp purposes.  
To have an update of progress at monthly meetings.
23. Parks - Fair Association Report. Receive & place on file.
24. Parks - Update of Park risk assessment. To hold for one month to allow time to review the Parks Risk Assessment.
25. Parks - Discussion of Horse Trails on Fox River State Recreational Trail. Hold for one month.

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26. Parks - Budget Status Financial Report for July 31, 2008. Receive & place on file.
27. Parks - Director's report. Receive & place on file.
28. Audit of bills. Approve audit of bills.

Approved by:

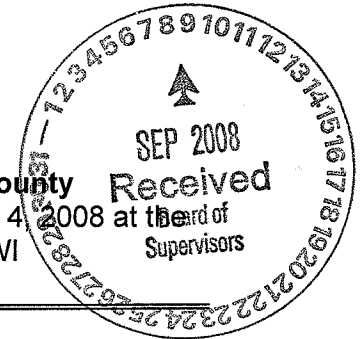
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Date

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY  
EDUCATION & RECREATION COMMITTEE**



Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., a regular meeting of the **Brown County Education & Recreation Committee** was held on Thursday, September 4, 2008 at the Brown County Golf Course, Club House - 897 Riverdale Drive, Oneida, WI

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**Present:** John VanderLeest-Chair; Jesse Brunette, Kathy Johnson, Pat Wetzel  
**Excused:** Adam Warpinski  
**Also Present:** Bill Dowell, Doug Hartman, Marv Hanson, Jon Rickaby, Matt Kriese, Maria Fischer, Neal Anderson, Gene Umberger, Becky McKee, Lynn Stainbrook, Lori Denault, Terry Watermolen, Scott Anthes, Cora Haltaufderheid, Ken Wachter, Sara Perrizo, Jayme Sellen, Tom Hinz, Dick Koltz, Other Interested Parties, Media

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I. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John VanderLeest at 5:50 p.m.

II. **Approve/Modify Agenda:**

Items were taken out of order, although shown in proper format here.

**Motion made by Supervisor Brunette and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to approve as modified. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

III. **Approve/Modify Minutes of:**

- a. **Regular Meeting of August 14, 2008**
- b. **Special Meeting of August 20, 2008**

**Motion made by Supervisor Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to approve 3a & 3b. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

1. **Review Minutes of:**

- a. **Library Board (7/17/08)**

**Motion made by Supervisor Brunette and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Arena /Expo Centre:**

2. **Arena Event Attendance (July 2008):**

**Motion made by Supervisor Brunette and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. **Communication from Supervisor Steve Fewell re: Request that the putt-putt golf course be removed from the area in front of the Veterans Memorial as it blocks the view to the Veterans Memorial. (Referred from August County Board):**

As many veterans were present to comment on this item, Chairman VanderLeest asked for a motion to suspend the rules to allow interested parties to speak.

**Motion made by Supervisor Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to suspend the rules to allow interested parties to speak.**  
**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

The following spoke against the putt-putt golf course which has been placed in front of the Veterans Memorial at the arena. All are veterans and many are now members of the DAV (Disabled American Veterans); the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars), and the American Legion. Comments and opinions were that the golf course has desecrated the memorial, that it deserves more respect and should not be commercialized, that it is disrespectful to veterans, is being littered by children playing on it, etc. etc.

**Harold Grimes – Suamico**  
**Franklin Cornelius – Green Bay**  
**Bob Tochterman - Ashwaubenon**  
**Gary Lapp – Green Bay**  
**Valeda Wilson – Green Bay**  
**Ben Mock – Ashwaubenon**  
**Mike Edwards – DePere**  
**Russell Kriwanek – Green Bay**  
**Cletus Ninham – Oneida**  
**Ken Seidl – Ashwaubenon Trustee**  
**Ken Krueger – Green Bay**  
**Jim Famry – Green Bay**

*Supervisor Johnson arrived 6:04 p.m.*

The following found no issue with the placement of the golf course, stating the course it is not a burial spot, and children should be welcome.

**Michael Wiska – Ashwaubenon**  
**Don Johnson – Green Bay**

**John Dederich – DePere, Former Manager of the Veterans Memorial Arena**  
Stated he does not want anyone grieving over his sacrifices, that the site is not a cemetery, but instead a monument, built to unite veterans of all generations and meant to be a living memorial of activity. He informed the committee that the Friends of the Brown County Veterans have passed a resolution which states that they will support PMI in their efforts to manage the property.

**Other Comments:**

**Jerry Menne – President, Village of Ashwaubenon**  
Mr. Menne stated this has become an emotional issue, recommending that a committee be formed consisting of the various veterans groups, the Village of Ashwaubenon, Brown County, the Memorial Committee, and PMI to develop a policy for the memorial site.

**Ken Wachter – Green Bay, President of PMI**

Mr. Wachter explained the history of the creation of the monument, indicating that PMI was approached by John Dederich and Nubs DeCleene, along with former County Executive Nancy Nussbaum about a veteran's memorial in 2003. He stated that that PMI receives no money, that in fact they pay Brown County each year to manage the Arena complex, in addition they pay utilities and are responsible for maintenance. Brown County is responsible for capital. He stated there will be no golf course placed near the monument next summer, that he will find another place. He apologized, indicating there was no intent meant to disrespect the veterans groups. He pointed out that the memorial is within the Ashwaubenon entertainment district and hundreds of people walk on the site daily.

**Tom Hinz – Brown County Executive**

Stated he is a Viet Nam veteran. As PMI has realized the significance of the emotional impact on veterans and have agreed to move the golf course next summer, Hinz suggested that the issue be put behind us.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to return to regular order of business.**  
**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

A sign-up sheet was circulated for all veterans present to sign. Chairman VanderLeest suggested all interested parties (veterans groups, PMI, County) get together and work on a policy/plan as to how this can be avoided in the future and what they would like to see there and bring it back to committee.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file until the Veterans Groups and other interested parties return with a policy for the area around the Veterans Memorial.**  
**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Break taken 6:50 – 7p.m.*  
*# 19 on the agenda taken next*

**Library:**

**4. Budget Status Financial Report for July 31, 2008:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. Library's Report:**

The Library Report covering activities at the various branches during the month of August 2008 was distributed by Director Lynn Stainbrook (available in County Board & County Clerk offices). In addition, the "Library in the News" was distributed (available in County & County Clerk offices), and Ms. Stainbrook pointed out that an article was published in the Green Bay Press Gazette regarding library activities recently.

The space needs analysis as discussed at last months meeting was again addressed. Drawings showing use of current space were distributed for review.

An RFP has been drafted to include an analysis of all buildings, status of the current HVAC system, windows, electrical/plumbing, compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, meeting rooms, restrooms, etc. Library Board President Terry Watermolen explained the library needs to strengthen their ability to long range plan for future needs. Mr. Watermolen explained the RFP process stating that funds which have been donated will cover the RFP, however, a budget plan will be required for an engineering analysis estimated in the \$100,000 range.

Ms. Stainbrook informed the committee that ten library staff members have been informed by Human Resources that they have been miss-classified and that effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, they will be re-classified as administrative staff. Debbie Klarkowski and Don VanderKelen have met with the ten staff and reviewed all job descriptions. The goal of this re-classification is to be in compliance with WERC.

**Motion made by Supervisor Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Museum:**

6. **Audit of Neville Public Museum (by Internal Auditor, Sara Perrizo):**  
Sara Perrizo reported that an audit of internal controls surrounding monetary receipts and disbursements showed that their security surpassed that of other departments she has audited. Packet information includes a summary of the fieldwork performed and recommended changes to the internal control structure of the Museum.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

7. **Attendance & Admissions (July 2008):**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

8. **Budget Status Financial Report July 31, 2008:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

9. **Re-Accreditation for Museum (informational only):**

The report performed by the American Association of Museums Accreditation Commission was noted in packet material. Mr. Umberger distributed a summary sheet (attached) and pointed out that the Neville Public Museum is one of only 18 accredited museums in Wisconsin.

A press-conference was held and a certificate given to the Museum by Executive Hinz, with Mayor Jim Schmitt, Senators Dave Hansen and Rob Cowles, along with others attending.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

10. **Director's Report:**

A written report was distributed by Mr. Umberger (available in County Board and County Clerk offices). Highlighted were the following:

- Copies of "*Curly Lambeau: Building the Green Bay Packers*" is available as part of the Badger Biographies Series published by the Wisconsin Historical Society. About 25% of the photos used in the book came from the Neville's photo collection. The book is geared to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade level.
- Copies of "*The 25 Greatest Moments in Lambeau Field History*" by Cliff Christl & Dale Hofmann, which used photos from the Neville collection is also available. Cliff Christl will present a program on March 12<sup>th</sup> as part of the Neville Dinner Programs.
- The Green Bay & DePere Antiquarian Society has paid for full page ads in the Green Bay Press Gazette and Business News to thank donors and in-kind contributors for "*Save our Cultural Heritage Campaign*"

Becky McGee highlighted events from the Foundation Report which was distributed and is attached. She reported that the Art & the Animal Exhibit had an opening reception on August 29<sup>th</sup> with over 200 guests attending. In addition, a dinner was held on August 30<sup>th</sup> at the KI Convention Center. The exhibit will run from 8/30 to 11/2/08. Coverage continues with the Green Bay Press Gazette, along with WFRV-TV, Channel 5, and Outdoor Wisconsin.

Other highlights:

- The 2009 Neville calendar is ready to go to printing.
- Four historic homes will host the Neville Tea Parties beginning September 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Neville is one of 11 organizations in the country to receive a History Channel Prestigious Save our History Grant in the amount of \$10,000.
- Trip to the Milwaukee Public Museum is scheduled for 10/22 to view the Titanic exhibit, along with the Pabst Mansion
- Gift shop is being stocked for Christmas shopping
- Reception on 10/20 for the Antiquarian collection

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

*# 14 on the agenda taken next*

**Golf Course:**

11. **Budget Financial Status Report for July 31, 2008:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

12. **Golf Report Financial Statistics as of August 17, 2008:**



**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**13. Superintendent's Report:**

Scott Anthes reported the following:

- Although the course has been dry, there has been recent rain.
- Irrigation system upgrade to software is up and running
- 17<sup>th</sup> Hole – Concepts have been received from the Oneida Nation. A meeting will be scheduled this month to meet with them for discussion
- A gift card program will be implemented, along with a new system for rain checks so that they be used by July of the year after they are issued
- Verification of greens will start on September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Memorial donations received will be used to create a brick path

September Outings:

- September 5<sup>th</sup> - Brown County Golf Outing - 75 golfers have registered.
- September 8<sup>th</sup> – Schneider Logistics
- September 10<sup>th</sup> – Children's Charity Classic
- September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> - BC Fall Classic
- September 17<sup>th</sup> - Wisconsin Hospital Outing
- September 24<sup>th</sup> – WFIC Outing

*Ahead to #28 on the agenda*

**NEW Zoo:**

**14. Budget Status Financial Report: (Distributed at meeting)**

The financial report through 7/31/08 was distributed (available in County Board and County Clerk offices). Numbers were reported to be in the positive.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**15. Request for Budget Transfer (#08-56): Increase in Expenditures with Offsetting Increase in Revenue: Donation received from Thursday Breakfast Optimist Club (\$2,050) to be used specifically for the purpose of renovating the NEW Zoo amphitheater:**

This budget transfer is a request to accept a donation received from the Thursday Breakfast Optimist Club in the amount of \$2,050 to be used specifically for the purpose of renovating the NEW Zoo amphitheater.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to approve. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**16. Zoo Monthly Activity Report:**

- a. **Animal Collection Report:** In addition to the written report in packet material, Neil Anderson reported that six shore birds have been received from the St. Louis Zoo; snow monkeys have been vaccinated and moved into the new building; Hurricane Hanna has effected the transport of a cougar from Charleston; a longhorn will be coming in three weeks, along

with a snow leopard from Lansing, Michigan; the moose baby will be sent to the Milwaukee County Zoo.

- b. **NEW Zoo Admission Revenue Attendance 2008 Report:**  
Attendance for August was up 24% over last year (available in County Board & County Clerk offices)

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file 16a & b.**  
**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

17. **NEW Education & Volunteer Programs Report (August 2008):**  
Volunteer Hours for the period 7/24/08 to 8/25/08 totaled 991 hours. Volunteers assisted with the Zoo Snooze on 8/21/ & 8/22 for local Girl Scout troops; at the Feast with the Beast on 8/4, and at the NEW Zoo Palooza event on 8/9.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

18. **NEW Zoo Gift Shop Concessions Revenue 2008 Report:**  
Maria Fischer reported that gift shop sales were up 26%, and concessions up 25% over the same time last year. A new daily revenue work sheet has been implemented which has proved to save staff time.

Purchases of Zoo pass memberships are up 20%, with 2,436 members presently.

**Motion made by Supervisor Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Parks:**

19. **Communication from Supervisor Tom Lund re: Constituent wants dog access for a dog trail at Reforestation Camp:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to suspend the rules to allow interested parties to speak.**  
**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Erik Thoron – 3347 Mardon Lane, Green Bay, WI**

Mr. Thoron's communication, to consider dogs at the Brown County Reforestation Camp and/or the Fort Howard Paper Foundation Wildlife Area was addressed. He pointed out that a large percentage of homes in Brown County own a dog and almost all county and city parks do not allow dogs.

Doug Hartman of the Parks Department informed Mr. Thoron that there are 20 miles of the Fox River Trail, 13 miles on the Mountain Bay Trail, along with on leash and off leash areas at the Brown County Park available for dogs. In addition, the County is working on a 15 acre dog park on the east side of Green Bay. Because of many activities at the Reforestation Camp and water fowl management and at the Fort Howard Wildlife Area, these sites are not recommended for dogs.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to return to regular order of business. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Additional discussion by the committee and Supervisor Tom Lund resulted in a recommendation to refer to staff to develop suggestions for dog access until the east side dog park is complete.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to refer to staff to come back with suggestions for dog access until the east side dog park is complete. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

*#23 on the agenda taken next*

20. **Request for Budget Transfer (#08-54): Interdepartmental Transfer (including contingency or general fund transfers): Transfer grant funds received in Land Conservation to Parks to reimburse for expenditures incurred at Reforestation Camp for a buffer strip of plantings and an access bridge (\$2,900):**

This budget transfer is a request to transfer grant funds received in Land Conservation to Parks to reimburse for expenditures incurred at the Reforestation Camp for a buffer strip of plantings and an access bridge.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to approve. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

21. **Discussion of list of department vehicles. (Held from previous meeting):** Lynn VandenLangenberg has been asked to consolidate a list of all County vehicles, which she will forward to the County Board when completed.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

22. **Discussion of future campground at Brown County Fairgrounds. (Held from previous meeting):**

Preliminary estimates for camping at the Fairgrounds North and the Fairgrounds Midway, in comparison to Bay Shore Park actuals was distributed and is attached. Mr. Dowell pointed out an estimated construction cost at \$332,585, with a payback in approximately 11 years. A potential diagram for possible sites was distributed (available in County Board & County Clerk offices).

Discussion by the committee resulted in the consensus to move forward with a use similar to that at Bay Shore Park. Mr. Dowell indicated that the first step would be to get an engineering estimate for construction costs, with the second being to critique expenses and revenue, followed by an update of expenses and construction costs and to determine if funding is available. Supervisor Johnson suggested that discussion be held with the City of DePere after the first of the year to determine their interest in contributing

**Motion made by Supervisor VanderLeest and seconded by Supervisor Johnson to request staff, along with Supervisor Johnson to:**

- Complete an engineering estimate for the Fairgrounds North
- Review potential expenses and revenues
- To investigate grants or private funding
- To determine if a special enterprise fund could be created for Brown County Fairground camp purposes
- To have an update of progress at monthly meetings

**MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

It was suggested that Supervisor Johnson be included in discussions with staff, and that the City of DePere be informed of upcoming plans and asked for their cooperation.

*Skip to #24 on the agenda*

**23. Fair Association Report:**

Dick Koltz of the Fair Association was present to give highlights of this year's Brown County Fair. Mr. Koltz reported there was great weather and good attendance. The Fair made approximately \$50,000, \$35,000 which came from the County. He indicated that the Association is making efforts to reach out, while maintaining the budget.

When asked about possible land for sale across the road that could be used to expand the fairgrounds, Mr. Koltz indicated it is not for sale at this time, however, the Association is keeping it in mind as a future possibility.

**Motion made by Supervisor Brunette and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Return to item #4 on the agenda.*

**24. Update of Parks Risk Assessment:**

The Brown County Parks Risk Assessment prepared by Doug Wyseman of Municipal Risk Services Limited was distributed and is attached. The scope of the inspections entailed assessing the risks associated with the current use of the parks. The report states that not only were they impressed with the efforts of Brown County to ensure residents the opportunity of a wide variety of activities, but also found that the staff went to great lengths to make the recreational experiences safe. They rated Brown County's commitment to park safety second to none.

Recommendations made in the assessment were addressed by Mr. Hartman. Report available in County Board & County Clerk offices.

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to hold for one month to allow time to review the Parks Risk Assessment. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**25. Discussion of Horse Trails on Fox River State Recreational Trail:**

A map of the area in question was distributed (attached). Mr. Hartman referred to page 23 of the Risk Assessment which deals with equestrian use on the Fox River Trail. At this time use is restricted to unpaved/gravel sections of the trail, with no horses on paved portion.

Hartman reported that by the end of October there may be two more miles of the trail paved to Midway Road in the Town of Rockland. The recommendation at this time is to propose no horse use north of Greenleaf, that they have use south only.

Supervisor Wetzel stated he had a conversation with Supervisor Bill Clancy who represents the Town of Holland and was unable to present at this meeting. Clancy has asked that the issue be held for one month so that interested parties may be present to speak.

**Motion made by Supervisor Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brunette to hold for one month. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

26. **Budget Status Financial Report for July 31, 2008:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

27. **Director's Report:**

In addition to written reports in packet material, the following highlights were given by staff:

**Jon Rickaby – Reforestation Camp**

- Mountain bike classic was held on Saturday, 8/30, with 150 people attending, proceeds returning to the County
- Zoo projects – renovation at the monkey exhibit, fencing. Grand opening scheduled for September 12th
- Rentals are going well
- Continued maintenance at the Zoo
- Rifle range will open Saturday, 9/6
- Gearing up for Zoo Boo parking
- Fun Day at the Zoo

When asked about parking for the Zoo Boo, Mr. Rickaby stated that discussions have been held with the Sheriff's Department, who will be assisting with parking.

**Marv Hansen – Fairgrounds, Neshota/Way-Morr/Wrighstown Parks, Lily Lake, and Fonferek Glen**

Continues with park security, inventory and daily campground monitoring at the Fairgrounds, in addition to monitor at the other parks.

**Matt Kriese= Barkhausen - Suamico Boat Launch, Fox River Trail, Mountain-Bay & Devil's River Trail**

- Thanked the committee and County Board for recognizing Mark Kiar
- Water Fowl Days were hosted at Barkhausen in August
- Mowing 40 acres in the north field at Barkhausen

- Hosted a Parks Department education tent at the BC Fair
- Mountain Bay Trail has been re-surfaced

**Rick Ledvina - - Bay Shore Park, BC Park/Pet Exercise Area/Pamperin Park/VandeHei Property/Wequiock Falls**

- Bay Shore Park has been very busy with campers this season as has been Pamperin Park

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Other:**

**28. Audit of Bills:**

**Motion made by Supervisor Johnson and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to approve audit of bills. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**29. Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law:**

- October meeting at Barkhausen – Memorial dedication to Matt Kiar
- Discussion of Horse Trails on Fox River State Recreational Trail next agenda
- Late October or early November budget meeting at Neville, date to be determined.
- A request was made to rotate agenda items

**Motion made by Supervisor Brunette and seconded by Supervisor Wetzel to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully submitted,

Rae G. Knippel  
Recording Secretary

## Background Information about Accreditation

American Association of Museums accreditation brings national recognition to a museum for its commitment to excellence, accountability, high professional standards, and continued institutional improvement. It serves as the field's primary vehicle for quality assurance and self-regulation.

Neville Public Museum of Brown County 1<sup>st</sup> accredited in 1972; accreditation occurs approx. every 10 years. Accreditation process can take up to 3 years to complete, including a year-long Self-study phase, followed by a site visit by a team of peer reviewers.

Approximately 17,500 museums in U.S. of which about 775 are currently accredited—Neville Public Museum is 1 of only 18 accredited museums in Wisconsin

### Some of the most common and important benefits of accreditation:

#### Credibility and Accountability

- National recognition of your museum's commitment to excellence and the highest professional standards of museum operation and public service
- A positive public image and validation of your museum's work and accomplishments
- Increased credibility with funding agencies and donors
- Stakeholders see the museum's obligation to the public trust is fulfilled

#### Clearer Sense of Purpose

- A clearer sense of purpose and understanding of your museum's strengths, goals, priorities, and mission
- An opportunity for staff and board to be thoughtful about their practice

#### Leverage and Support

- A valuable tool in lobbying local and state governments
- Improved relationships with other museums resulting in more loans and traveling exhibitions
- Maintenance of accreditation a leveraging tool to attract support for capital improvements

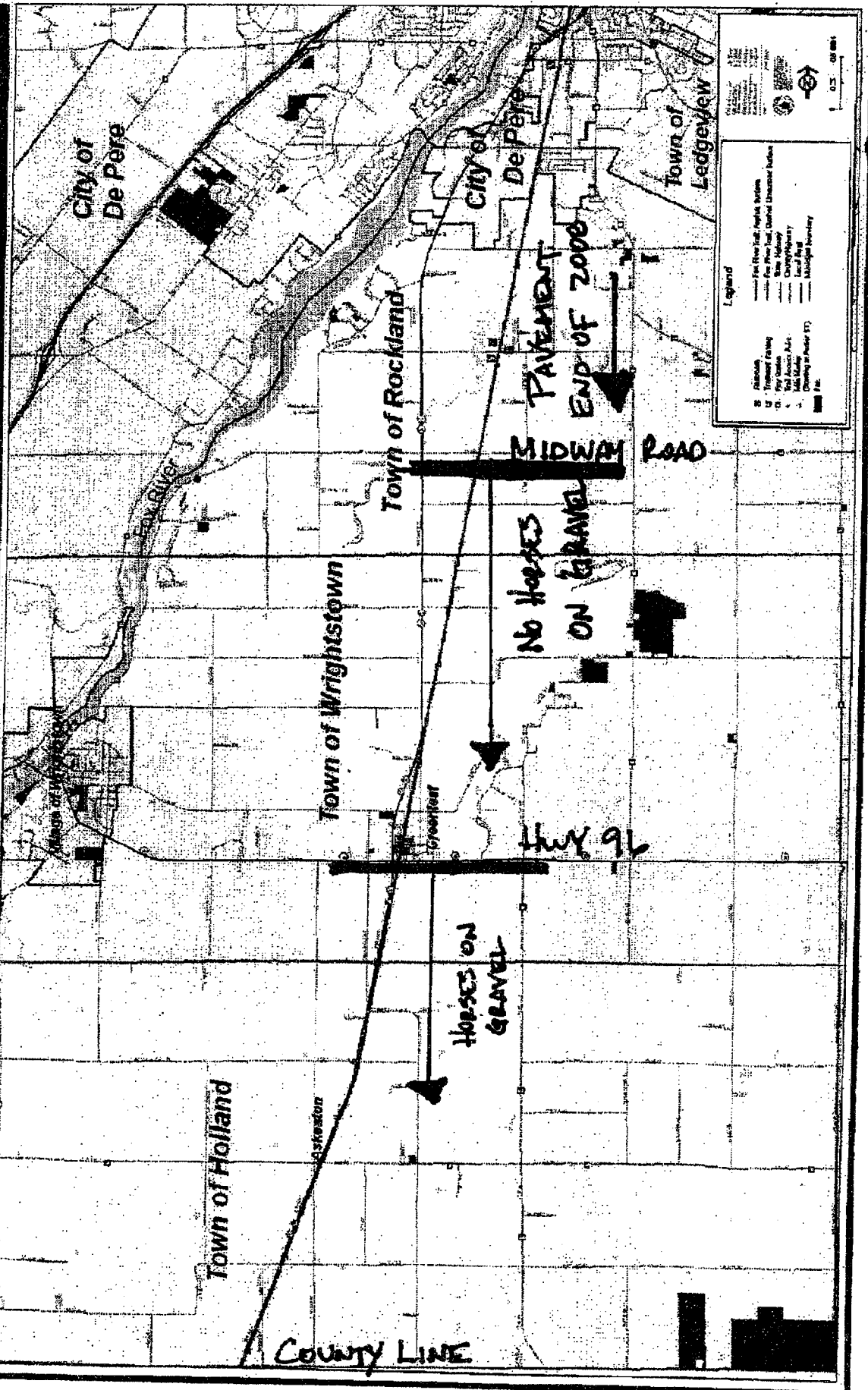
#### Sustainability and a Stronger Institution

- Fosters sustained organizational development and improvement
- A governing authority better educated about museum standards
- Increased level of professionalism

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# Fox River Trail

City of De Pere and Towns of Rockland, Wrightstown and Holland



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