

City of Baraboo  
Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Committee  
February 4, 2016 – Minutes

**Present:** Denise Statz, Katie Cowen, Bekah Stelling, Jen Stewart, Tiffany Sloan & Mike Hardy

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm, Legal Posting of the Agenda had been met.

**Introductions:** Members introduced themselves to the group.

**New Business:** Hardy reviewed the proposed timeline for development of the CORP. Plans are to have an input session with user groups in March and a community survey distributed in April. In May the group would tour existing facilities and a draft would be presented to Parks Commission in September or October. City Council will consider the plan by December.

Hardy reviewed progress on the 2012-2016 CORP and noted the purpose of having a plan as well as expectations of the committee to collect community needs to help develop the plan for the City. Statz asked about working with the county's CORP on future projects. Hardy would get a current copy of the Sauk County CORP for members to review.

Members discussed additional groups not in the current CORP that should be considered for inclusion in the new plan. UW-Baraboo/Sauk County and the School District (indoor swimming pool) were discussed as additional facilities to include.

Hardy discussed using an online survey tool as the best way to get surveys out to the community, but that in order to get responses back, surveys need to be kept short and to the point as most people will not spend more than 5 minutes on a survey like this. Discussion on posting signs in parks with QR codes followed. The codes would encourage participation by those in parks to use their mobile phones to submit comments, however it was noted that this plan is meant for city residents and survey is designed for them. It was decided that QR codes could be used in City parks for the public to have better methods to contact the department with requests and comments in general though.

**Next Regular Meeting:** March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 will be the input session with co-sponsor and user groups to submit needs of their group.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Hardy, Director