

**INDUSTRIAL AND RECREATION COMMITTEE Minutes**

**March 9, 2021**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Location: Juneau County Courthouse, Conference Room 105**

Meeting called to order by member Jack Jasinski. In attendance were committee members Jasinski, Parrett, Land, Forestry, and Parks Director Brian Lloyd, and Gary Kirking, CRD with Juneau County. Feldman was out of town.

Lloyd provided an excellent overview of his research on possible locations for a new canoe landing in the northern part of the county. Lloyd provided an in depth analysis and GPS photos of the different properties and the merits of each. Discussion followed and the committee asked Lloyd to continue to contact land owners on prospective locations and report back to the committee in June.

Kirking asked Lloyd to give an overview and projections for the upcoming camping season. Lloyd share that last year was one of the busiest years and he anticipates another record year for usage.

Kirking provided an update that Andrew Nussbaum had a conflict on the April County Board meeting date, but would be interested in doing a presentation at a future meeting as his schedule will allow.

The committee discussed EcDev and business activities in the area. Kirking attended a WCA Leadership seminar and shared that the WCA was advising counties to be creative with their upcoming COVID Recovery Acts funds and do some long range tourism and recreation projects that will benefit many in the future.

Extension CRD agent Kirking expressed his appreciation to work with the committee and for their willingness to visit local business and industry as part of their committee work. He also mentioned the two recent FAM tours the IRC committee sponsored for their fellow County Board members. Gary announced that he will be retiring from UW-Madison in April. Discussion followed about committee meeting protocol moving forward. Committee members expressed their appreciation for Kirking's work and impact.

Next meeting date set for April 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Kirking  
Temporary Recording Secretary