

## 1954 ANNUAL MEETING RESOLUTION

The qualified electors of the Town of Dekorra, meeting in the annual meeting on April 6, 1954, do hereby create the Town of Dekorra Parks Commission, consisting of seven members. Such commissioners shall be appointed by the Town Board in writing, and such appointments shall be filed with the Town Clerk. The term of each member shall be the seven years next following the first day of July of the year in which his appointment is made and until the appointment and qualification of his successor, except that the first seven members shall be appointed respectively for such terms that on the first day of July in each of the seven years next following the year in which they were appointed the term of one member will expire. After such original appointments one commissioner shall be appointed annually in the month of June to succeed the member whose term will expire on July first then next following. Each of said commissioners shall take and file the official oath.

**COMMISSION, ORGANIZATION, POWERS** (1) Within thirty days after their appointment and qualifications the said commissioners shall convene at the Town hall and perfect an organization; and thereupon such park commission shall have the usual powers of such bodies in addition to those hereinafter enumerated, shall use a common seal, make by-laws and choose annually form its members all necessary officers.

(2) It may also appoint such other agents and employees as may be necessary to carry out its functions, and may remove them at pleasure, and make all rules and regulations concerning its work.

(3) The Town Board shall provide suitable offices where the maps, plan, documents and records of the commission shall be kept, subject to public inspection at all reasonable hours and under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe.

**PARK PLANNING, REPORT TO TOWN MEETING.** The commission shall make a thorough study of the Town with reference to making reservations of lands therein for public uses and laying out ample open spaces, parks, highways, road and boulevards; make plans and maps of a comprehensive Town highway and park system; gather such information in relation thereto as it may deem expedient; and report the same to the Town meeting within two years from the date of its organization. It shall make such other reports, from time to time, as may be requested by the Town Board.

**PARK SUPERVISION AND CONTROL, AND ACQUISITION.** The said commission shall have charge and supervision of all lands heretofore or hereafter acquired by the Town for park or reservation purposes, and shall have power:

(1) To lay out, improve, maintain and govern all such parks and open spaces; to lay out, grade, construct, improve and maintain highways, roads, parkways, boulevards and bridges therein or connecting the same with any other park or open spaces or with any municipality, using such methods and materials as it may deem expedient; to determine and prescribe building lines along the same; and to make rules for the regulation of the use and enjoyment thereof by the public:

(2) To accept, in the name of the Town, grants, conveyances and devises of land and bequests and donations of money to be used for park purposes;

(3) To acquire, in the name of the Town, by purchase, land contract, lease, condemnation, or otherwise, with the approval and consent of the Town Board, such tracts of land or public ways as it may deem suitable for park purposes; but no land so acquired shall be disposed of by the Town without the consent of said commission, and all moneys received for any such lands, or any materials, so disposed of, shall be paid into a Town park fund.

(4) To exercise such other authority as may be provided under the provision of Section 60.184, Wisconsin Statutes, 1953, and amendments thereto.

Signed: Town Chairman (Donald Packard)  
Supervisor (James McMillan)  
Supervisor (Warren Shaw)  
Attest: Town Clerk (Elmer Haupt)

Dated: April 6, 1954

WATER ACCESSES. That the jurisdiction of water accesses be taken over by the Park Board, That no private fixtures be attached to any Town Park property, That all Park plots be surveyed and staked to ascertain boundaries, And that all private fixtures presently located in Town property be forthwith removed. Resolution by Town Board June 10, 1969.

#### 1954 TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION

Pursuant to a resolution adopted by the qualified electors of the Town of Dekorra, at the annual meeting, April 6, 1954, the Town Board, Town of Dekorra, meeting in (regular) (special) session, April 19, 1954, appoints a Town Park Commission to serve for a term as designated or until the appointment and qualification of his successor, such terms of all commissioners to commence July 1, 1954.

George Brauer- for a term of seven years  
Carl Thompson- for a term of six years  
Delos Mills- for a term of five years  
August Gaetske- for a term of four years  
Weldon Morris- for a term of three years  
Myrtle Stewart- for a term of two years  
Nona Shaw- for a term of one year

Signed: Town Chairman (Donald Packard)  
Supervisor (James McMillan)  
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#### TOWN PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES (2003 LIST)

##### PARKS:

- 1) Dekorra Park-Section 6 R9E, lots 3, 4, 5,8,9,10,11, Dekorra Village Plat.
- 2) Riverside Park-Section 6 R9 between land and river, 250 ft. to 1000 ft. between boat accesses, privately maintained.
- 3) Camp Rest Park-Section 22 R8, contains a beach, picnic tables, play area, and toilets.
- 4) Irene's Isle- between Isle and Tipperary Roads, 50' by 300', contains picnic area, parking, and play area.
- 5) Happy Hollow Park- tennis court, baseball field, basketball court, picnic and play area, and toilet.
- 6) Whalen Park- Section 27-28 R8, contain a play ground, picnic area, parking for fishing and toilets.
- 7) Parkway Park-Section 33 R8, picnic play ground, toilets and parking for fishing.
- 8) Camp Perry Park-Section 33 R8, contains a beach, picnic and toilet.

## BOAT LANDINGS:

- 1) Main Street-Section 6/5 R9E, contains a Dekorra Village plat;
- 2) DNR parking lot for Main Street boat access that the Town maintains;
- 3) Wisconsin Street-Section 6 R9E, contains a Dekorra Village plat;
- 4) Beach Garden Rd. access to Wisconsin River between blocks 33 and 34, undeveloped.
- 5) Oak Knoll Plat-located between parcels 269-570 (25' by 100'), section 12 R8E has river access.
- 6) Wild Cat Beach Plat- Section 22 T11 R8E between 681-682, privately maintained (60' by 100') road to river.
- 7) Wild Cat Beach Plat- Section 23 R8E, Valley St., 25' by 100', undeveloped and currently blocked.
- 8) Wild Cat Beach Plat- Section 23 R8, Cedar St., 25' by 100' undeveloped, privately maintained, road to river.
- 9) Camp Rest, located off of Tipperary Rd., 25' by 50', developed and has a boat landing.
- 10) Saddle Rd.-Section 22 R8, located off of Tipperary Rd., 25' by 150', developed and has a boat landing.
- 11) Cope Court- Section 22 R8 off of Tipperary Rd., 25' by 150', developed and has a boat landing.
- 12) Closed River access located off of Tipperary Rd., undeveloped, between parcels 789 and 790.
- 13) Privately maintained boat landing off of Tipperary Rd. between parcels 807 and 808, 25' by 75';
- 14) Tipperary Point-Section 27-28 R8 (75' by 125'), boat landing;
- 15) All along the south border of Tipperary Rd., undeveloped and privately maintained, (1800' x 50' x 100')
- 16) Parkway, Camp Perry plat-Section 33 R8 (50' by 200')
- 17) Corning St., Camp Perry plat- Section 33 R8 (25' by 50') privately maintained.
- 18) South end of Whalen Grade, section 34 R8 DNR boat landing, blacktopped, contains a toilet and parking.
- 19) Camp Perry plat (second addition)- off of CTH V, Section 34 R8, 50' x 400'
- 20) Lake Wisconsin Highlands- off of Stein Rd. to the River 60' x 100'
- 21) Wildwood Estates- private boat land access owned by the Homeowners Association.

## STATE PUBLIC LAND

- 1) Section 13 R8E- 200+ acres along I 90/94
- 2) Section 13 R8E -rest area off of I 90/94
- 3) Section 1 R9E- DNR 138 acres
- 4) Section 2 R9E - DNR 160 acres
- 5) Section 11 R9- DNR 10.34 acres
- 6) Section 18 R9- rest area off of I90/94
- 7) Section 25 R9- DNR state game farm, 364.63 acres
- 8) Section 36 R9 - DNR land along Rowan Creek, 861.4 acres
- 9) Hinkson- 318.16 acres.

## OTHER PUBLICLY OWNED UNDEVELOPED/CONSERVANCY LAND

- 1) Public Square - one total block located in Section 5 9E, Dekorra Village Plat.
- 2) Forested Area - 20 lots in block 12 & 22 adjacent to Hillpoint Court, Wisconsin Beach Garden Plat.
- 3) Forested Area - several lots lying in blocks 8, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, Beach Garden Plat.
- 4) Forested area - 16 lots located in block 6, Beach Garden Plat.
- 5) Along Wildwood Glen - 17 lots in blocks 3, 13, 21, Beach Garden Plat
- 6) Forested area - 6 lots, Block 12, Wisconsin Beach Garden Plat.
- 7) Park - Section 12, 28 St. Lawrence Bluff Rd. goes to river east of I90 bridge.
- 8) River easement - Section 14 R8, Schiefelbein Rd. to river, 25' x 200'
- 9) Wildwood Rec. Park - Section 27-28 R8E, 8-15 acres owned by Homeowners Association.

## SURVEY RESULTS

Respondents were equally split among provision of park and recreational facilities being either important or unimportant. When choosing among different types of park and recreational facilities to be developed, the majority, 65%, chose “natural and open space.” When it came to public facilities and services, the majority of respondents felt that fire, police, Town roads, and garbage collection are adequate.