

Village of Port Edwards

**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERY MEETING
Wednesday, August 23, 2023
4 P.M. at Edwards-Alexander Shelter**

ZOOM LINK- <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83679866291?pwd=UUhBUlVPYkpZcjdGSHZoN3VYUXVTdz09>

Meeting ID: 836 7986 6291, Passcode: 905745 One tap mobile +13052241968

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of a quorum
3. **MOTION** to approve the consent agenda
 - a. August 23, 2023 agenda
 - b. July 26, 2023 minutes
4. Public comments on agenda items
5. Chairperson comments
6. Committee comments
7. Director of Public Works
 - a. Monthly report
8. Review the 2022 Multi-Metro Deer Management results. **MOTION** to authorize participation in the 2023 MMDM hunt.
9. Review the Legacy Grant Amendment & Extension Request. **MOTION** to approve the grant amendment & extension request.
10. Old business
11. New business
12. Correspondence received
13. Next meeting agenda items
14. Next meeting date
15. Adjourn

Village of Port Edwards
Joseph Zurfluh – Committee Chairman

VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Parks & Recreation

DATE: July 26, 2023

TO: BETSY MANCL

cc: JOSEPH ZURFLUH	ERIK SAYLOR	
JEN MOORE	DAILY TRIBUNE	JASON WORDEN
TIARA GRUNDEN	WFHR/WGLX	DIANE TREMMEL
SCOTT DREW	NICK ABTS	LONN RADTKE
CALEB MCGREGOR		

Purpose of Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting

Attendance: J. Zurfluh, J. Moore, E. Saylor, B. Mancl, B. Martinson

Absent: None

Citizens: None

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken & Board Action Required:

1. *Call to order:* Meeting called to order by Zurfluh - Chairman at 4 p.m.
2. *Declaration of a quorum*
3. *MOTION* to approve the consent agenda. Saylor/Moore. Motion carried.
4. *Public comments on agenda items:* None
5. *Committee Chairperson's comments:* None
6. *Committee Comments:* None
7. *Parks & Recreation Updates.* Spring Cleanup, conducted site visit of the warming house and explained the ramp repairs and Rip Rap repairs along the pond. This will be a \$15K cost if the Village crew handles most of the project. No issues
8. *Director of Public Works Report:*
 - a. No big issues in parks. Maintenance/shelters/cemetery are good. Warm weather cemetery not as green. New section has sprinkler system.

- b.* Ripple Creel metal steps/plastic fiberglass wrap/getting price to replace step/pull plastic spray with rubber undercoating to protect metal and np sharp edges, etc.
 - c.* Nepco Lake kayak on County Z completed last week. 10ft. walkway top of water down to County Z. Would like to okay price of piece of dock. Up to \$10,000.00. Dock up to \$2,000.00. Picnic table/trash can. Dock section 4-6 feet wide. Grant CEED Committee. Okay from committee to get dock to complete grant money.
 - d.* Legacy grant update. Ben trying to schedule appointment with Legacy to change in plan and extension.
- 9. Update on proposed bike trails:* Grant now until November bike/kids to school grant. Bike trails leading to schools. 80/20 MSA engineer spec. rough estimate \$25,000.00 + engineering fee. Increase due to DNR regulations. Rough estimate. Bike trail updates.
- 10.* Discussion on purchased cemetery lot fee.
- 11. Old business:* August music fest in the park and continuation of community events. Ben Martinson will coordinate and President Mancl will help as well.
- 12. New Business:* Mr. Bena reached out to Dan Hobbs Multi Metro Deer management come in August.
- 13. Correspondence received.* Communication from resident about Multi-Metro Deer Management.
- 14. Agenda items for next meeting.* Multi-Metro Deer Management discussion, Nepco Lake kayak update, preliminary budget discussion.
- 15. Next meeting date:* August 23, 2023 at 4pm at the Marshall Buehler Center
- 16. Adjourn*

Joseph Zurfluh – Chairman

**VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS
PARKS 10 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
2023-2033**

YR	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	COST
2023	Slide replacement @ Central Park	Replace broken side	\$3,000.00
2023	Blacktop basketball court @ Ed-Alex Park	Blacktop 50x50 basketball court	
		Blacktop driveway w/ sidewalk to court w/ parking	\$15,000.00
			\$18,000.00
2024	Rip rock skate ramp @ Ripple Creek	Replace ramp w/new railroad ties/new railing down to skate park/add stone to wall	\$15,000.00
			\$15,000.00
2025	Paint, new sinks & refrigerator @ Ed-Alex	Paint floor, restrooms, kitchen & meeting room	\$5,000.00
2025	8 New picnic tables @ Ed-Alex & Ripple	New bathroom sinks & refrigerator	\$1,500.00
		New tables @ \$700 each	\$5,600.00
			\$12,100.00
2026	Resurface tennis courts @ Ripple Creek	Resurface all courts & repaint	\$15,000.00
			\$15,000.00
2027	New basketball court @ Aubey Park	Pave 30x30 basketball court & paint w/ hoop	\$10,000.00
			\$10,000.00
2028	New roof @ Ed-Alex and Aubey Park	New roof on shelter @Aubey Park	\$2,500.00
		New roof on shelter & meeting room @ Ed-Alex Park	\$10,000.00
			\$12,500.00
2029	Splash Pad maintenance	Fix surface of pad & fix fixtures	\$10,000.00
			\$10,000.00
2030	Playground equipment @ Ripple Creek	Replace playground equipment	\$50,000.00
			\$50,000.00
2031	Fence repair @ Ripple Creek		
2032	Fence wall repair @ Ed-Alex Park		
2033	8 new picnic tables		

Village of Port Edwards

August 14, 2023

GRANT AMENDMENT & EXTENSION REQUEST

WITH COMPLETION SUMMER OF 2025

- ❖ Resurface bike trail from Bruener Avenue to Letendre Avenue
- ❖ Paint & resurface bike lane on Ver Bunker Avenue from 5th Street to Port Road
- ❖ Add new bike lane on Port Road from Ver Bunker Avenue to Letendre Avenue
- ❖ Add safe crossing on Letendre Avenue (STH 54) to join with existing bike trail

Design work will be completed winter 2023-2024

Work completion summer of 2025



Legacy Foundation
Grant Agreement

PROJECT BUDGET

- This is the required format. Attach a budget narrative explaining your numbers if necessary.

<u>INCOME</u>	
<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>Support</i>	
State grants	\$ 25,000
Foundations	\$500,000
Corporations	\$100,000
Local Grants	\$ 15,000 20,000
Village Funding	\$ 50,000 100,000
Fundraising events and products	\$
Membership income	\$
In-kind support	\$
Investment income	\$
<i>Revenue</i>	
Government contracts	\$
Earned income	\$
Other (specify)	\$
	\$
Total Income	\$700,000 20,000 30

<u>EXPENSES</u>		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%FT/PT</u>
Salaries and wages (breakdown by individual position and indicate full- or part-time.)	\$ 30,000	
	\$	
	\$	
SUBTOTAL	\$	
Insurance, benefits and other related taxes	\$	
Consultants and professional fees	\$ 50,000	
Construction	\$490,000 465,000	
Utilities	\$ 50,000	
Equipment	\$ 30,000	
Artist Work	\$ 25,000	
Operations	\$ 25,000	
Postage and delivery	\$	
Rent and utilities	\$	
In-kind expenses	\$	
Depreciation	\$	
Other (specify)	\$	
	\$	
Total Expense	\$	
Difference (Income less Expense)	\$700,000 - 20,000 30	

Riverwalk Legacy Grant
(411 Fund)

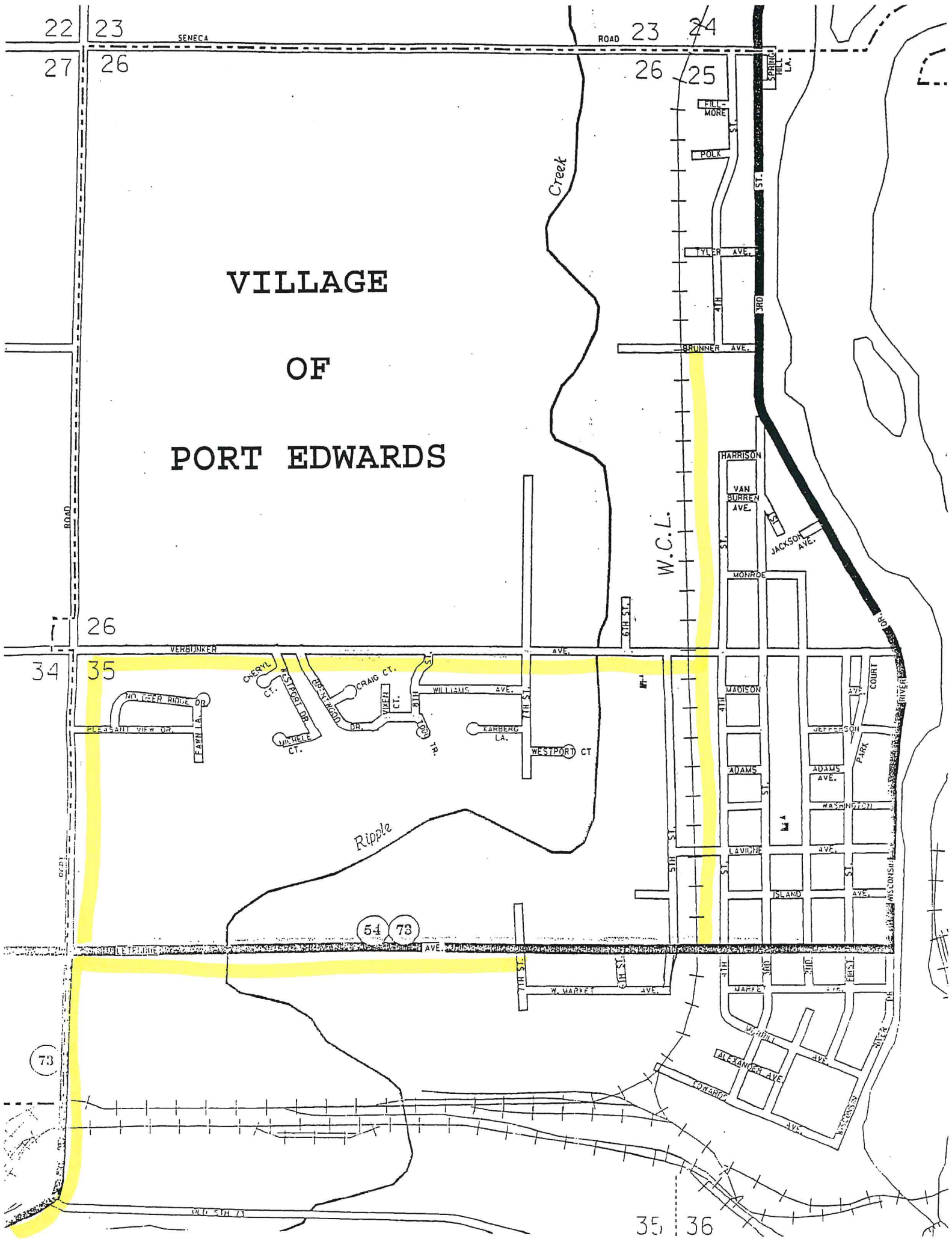
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Expenses

Received from Legacy	\$	500,000.00
10/7/22 Joslin Concrete-sidewalk		-7534.45
5/8/23 Lee Recreation-slide at Triangle Park		-3410.00
5/22/23 A-1 Services Wisconsin Rapids-concrete		-10400.00

BALANCE:	\$	478,655.55
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Multi-Metro Deer Management

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Hunt Coordinator
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01/27/23

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End of harvest year end report to Communities

HI All,

This is my annual report to let everyone know the harvest results and let you know any issues and/or anything new.

We began the year with a High harvest rate. At about mid November the harvest fell off the map. Not really sure, deer were there, but they were all nocturnal. Still can't figure out why, but it is what it is. The amount of deer on the West side of Rapids and Port is still growing as there have been very few tags available for the General Public for quite sometime. The herd has been building. At the direction of the DNR we are submitting all heads for testing due to CWD being found in Wood Co.

The other problem we are still seeing is the prevalence of white deer. These are NOT albino, just white. Very frustrating to see herds of them and not be able to do anything about it.

This year we harvested a total of 43 deer of which 41 were antler less. The breakdown is as follows:

Biron: 5,

Grand Rapids: 12 with 5 Urban and 7 rural.

Wisconsin Rapids: 18

Port Edwards: 6

We do have all locations of the harvested deer for all 16 years marked on a map, if anyone wants to see it.

Again, is the illegal feeding and baiting that is going on all over. This can have the real impact of bringing in large herds of deer and keeping them in town while we are trying to harvest them. Just doesn't make sense. The other problem is that if a landowner is feeding and not allowing harvest.

The deer just roam at night off of that property causing accidents and gobbling up everyone's plants.

Please note: For every antler less deer not harvested, next year should see 1.5 fawns, depending on winter. In town, if we do not harvest 20 deer, that equates to 55 total deer the next year and so on....

We have not gotten back into most of the properties owned by Verso. They were systematically posting most of their properties which causes major areas of Refuge for the deer. You can see upwards of 20 deer standing around their properties in broad daylight. We will try to work on opening access, but it does not look good. If anyone from the Communities can help, it would be greatly appreciated.

We did gain some new properties and access to neighborhoods, which was a great help in our harvest. We had 0 complaints or problems that I am aware of.

The cooler again was a great success for keeping the donated venison cool. It is invaluable in running this organization. Wisconsin Rapids paid for the electricity. Thank you, City of Wisconsin Rapids.

The general public is quite supportive of our efforts, and have been told so numerous times. It seems the only complaints we get are from other hunters.

We held an open shoot for new Members, we had 4 New hunters that passed the shooting test and went through all the orientations. We will be having the next one

One thing to remember is that just because we do not harvest a deer on a property, It is still helpful because we do not give them a safe zone. Making any refuge is a bad thing.

Other observations: The white Deer herd is REALLY getting large in some areas. At present I estimate they make up 40% of the herd in some areas. As we keep harvesting Brown deer, it is only going to make matters worse. Eventually something will need to be done. We have always recorded deer sightings with our harvest reports and now will also record the number of white deer we see. In 2020 we starting keeping track of the white deer sightings, we had 178 sightings. In 2021, with way few hours of hunting, total we had 253 white deer sightings, up substantially.

We have now harvested a total of 1078 deer in this program. That amounts to 43,120 lbs of Venison donated to area families. Which also means 172,480 meals provided. That is an amazing amount of meals. I really wish we could do more as we get calls all the time for people requesting deer from us. I believe it is one of the most important parts of the program, donating to needy families.

We have a new Wildlife Biologist is Lesa Kardash , phone # 715 340 5034, her email is lesa.kardash@wisconsin.gov he will look at our Hunter Reports and come up with her conclusions.

We received and have applied for the Wildlife Grants to help cover the cost of the program.

Any help with the Railroad or with or Verso Papers would be greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to call with any questions. If any of you need me at any board meetings, let me know. I am more than happy to show up.

Respectfully,

Daniel Hobbs.

Multi-Metro



Deer Management

Landowner Questionnaire/Written Authorization

Landowner _____ E-mail: _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____ Work # _____

Acreage or General Lot Size _____ Township/City _____

When and where do you see deer _____

Where would hunting be allowed _____

Parking and deer carcass removal _____

Hunt time restrictions (days, evenings, mornings) _____

Please answer yes or no to the following questions:

Are tree stands O.K? _____ (this is the safest method of hunting) Screw in steps? _____

Ladder stands _____ Overnight stands _____

Ground blinds _____ Field dressing on property _____

Still hunting _____ Regular season Hunting _____

Harvest Bucks during regular Season with hunters Regular tag? _____

Permission granted till revoked or do we need to contact each year? _____

Is there anyone else that has permission to hunt property? If So Who? _____

Additional comments or requirements _____

Do you want a harvested deer _____

I authorize Multi Metro Deer Management proficiency tested hunters to hunt on my property using the above mentioned restrictions and guidelines.

Landowner Signature _____ Date _____

For any problems, contact your area's hunt captain:

Name _____ Phone # _____

Hunters assigned area: _____ date: _____