10/28/20021 Chautauqua County Parks Commission Meeting

Members present: Bob Franzen, Tom Erlandson, Steve Sandberg, Marla Connelly, Martha Anderson, Jacob Bodway, Bob Dando, Judy Hunt

Guests: Brad Bentley, Tom Wright, Mike Swensen, Rebecca Wurster, Mathew Bourke, Nancy Fernstre

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bob Franzen at 4 p.m. at the Jamestown Airport. Boutwell Club requested signage. Members of the Chautauqua Regional Economic Development group described their plans to develop recreation opportunities and gain non-profit status.

The minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Operations Parks close November 1. Erlandson Park timber harvest contract executed. Westside Overland Trail is being rerouted on state land. Repair of bridges and replacement of culverts continues.

Legislation Resolution to increase budget for employees for Parks was approved at October meeting. ARPA funds of \$250,000 to be used to upgrade County Trail systems.

Trail Development Current Chautauqua Gorge Trail to be abandoned. The new one will connect to Rails to Trails. A resolution to authorize ARPA fund to be allocated as indicated for parks and trail development and improvement is going to Legislature.

Old Business The agreement between Chautauqua County and DEC has been completed.

New Business Security cameras were suggested at the parks. Chainsaw training at Luensman in the spring with advice from Forcon.

Next meeting 12/02/21 Meeting adjourned at 5:20

Respectfully submitted by Judy Hunt, Secretary