

CCPC Minutes

5-28-2026

Members present: Bob Franzen, Dan McCanna, Jacob Bodway, Jan Bowman, Dottie Lauricella, Bob Dando, Twan Leenders, Steve Sandberg, Jamie Reynolds, Martha Anderson

Guests: Tim Card, Pat Smith, Courtney Domst

The May meeting was held at the Chautauqua County Airport conference room on the 28th and was called to order at 10:00 am. The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed and approved.

Jamie presented the operations report as follows: Both Parks are open for the season. The bathrooms at Luensman Park have had incidents of tampering and misuse. Discussion was held on possible solutions to this issue. Summer help employees will be delayed in starting due to a lack of HR training available. The summer help cannot begin until mid-June. Arkwright properties that are county owned have been investigated for potential development, with a waterfall on Ball Creek included. Some properties in Arkwright are being looked at for obtaining by the county. Twan motioned to move ahead with a potential land swap with the Waite property for driveway and 10 acres, Jacob seconded and it carried unanimously. Upcoming events are May 30 -Hoof it on the Hill at Boutwell Hill, June 3 – County Greenways meeting at RTPI, June 20 CC Trail Day- 1:00 pm hike TBD (with other trail groups having events around the county).

Jacob is applying for grants for future improvements to the trails. Phase 6 will include Mt. Pleasant with a possible re-route at Titus Rd. The EOT area on Bard Rd. with the stairs up the hill is not able to be re-routed and the stairs will need work along with a wet area near the start of the trail.

Discussion was held on the installation of the radio transponders proposed by WNY Meshcore, and the Commission voted the proposal down (with 1 abstaining).

Dan McCanna has turned in a letter of resignation from the Commission and was accepted with great sadness. He presented a letter he composed to The Michelin Tire company regarding a potential Park on the Ripley property as they have monies available for this. The replacement for Dan on the Commission will be Bob Scudder as our Legislative representative.

The By-laws options were reviewed and discussed. Version 2 will be the accepted by-laws as the Commission voted to go with the version with the CCDPF co-chairing and running the meeting, and the legislative appointee as a member of the Commission. We will have a Co-chairman and secretary to be voted on annually at the December meeting to begin in January. The Commission voted 8 in favor with 1 abstaining.

Discussion was held on the Summerdale parking lot and improvements to enable plowing in winter months.

The next meeting will be held on June 25, 2026 at Luensman Park- 10:00 am. The meeting was adjourned at 11:21.