KEWEENAW COUNTY PARK TRUSTEES KEWEENAW MOUNTAIN LODGE MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

A regular meeting of the Keweenaw County Park Trustees was held at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, July 8, 2008, at the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge, Copper Harbor, MI.

Present: Trustees Bjorn, McEvers, and Tuoriniemi; General Manager Ronan

Guests: Randy Eckloff

Motion McEvers, second Bjorn to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2008 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion McEvers, second Bjorn to accept the financial statements and approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

GM Ronan provided the park trustees with an update regarding scheduled events for the conference center, staff training, the menu/winelist, and utility requirements for the Lodge. A number of trees on the golf course have been identified for removal; the park trustees requested that GM Ronan clarify the plan for replanting before any trees are removed. GM Ronan reported the water system is fully operational.

The 2008 year-to-date dining numbers were discussed. It appears the main dining room is not being fully utilized while events are taking place in the conference center. Motion McEvers, second Bjorn to recommend to the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners supplemental Rural Development monies be used to expand the parking available at the Lodge to address this issue. Motion passed unanimously.

The park trustees requested that GM Ronan gather proposals to upgrade the signage and logo for the Lodge. Further discussion to take place when the proposals are available. GM Ronan will also contact the website host (Opus) to determine the steps necessary to acquire the original domain name and to update the website with more information regarding the conference center.

McEvers has been meeting with the Keweenaw County Park and Recreation Committee regarding development of the trails and winter recreation opportunities. Discussion again took place regarding the scope of a 2008-2009 winter operating season and budget. A final proposal will be presented at the August meeting for consideration and recommendation to the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners. It may be necessary to schedule a joint meeting with the Parks and Recreation Committee to coordinate this effort.

There being no further business to come before the park trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Joel Tuoriniemi, Park Trustees