

**CITY OF MONROE
COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010**

Work Session of the City Council of the City of Monroe, Michigan held on Monday, March 1, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room.

Present: Council Members Bica, Molenda, Conner, Hensley, Paisley, and Mayor Clark

Absent: Council Member Beneteau

Also Present: George Brown, City Manager
Tom Ready, City Attorney
Harold Herta, Chief Resource Management Section DNR Recreation Division
Luba Sital, District Supervisor, DNR Recreation Division
Mark Emmitt, DNR Recreation Division
Eric Cowling, Director, Sterling State Park
Sgt. Green, Conservation Officer
John Manor, (Senator Richardville's Office)
Jeff Mead, Monroe Publishing Company

Mayor Clark said that this meeting is to have presentation from the Department of Natural Resources regarding hunting and the walking trail issue.

Harold Herta, Chief Resource Management, DNR Recreation Division, introduced Eric Cowling from Sterling State Park.

Eric Cowling, Sterling State Park, gave a brief overview of Sterling State Park and the amenities, recreational opportunities and events that are associated with the park. He also commented on the new trail system and the new construction of the fishing pier. He also commented on the areas that are open to hunting.

Harold Herta, Chief Resource Management, DNR Recreation Division commented on other mixed recreational areas in Michigan where biking, walking, snowmobile, cross country and horse trails are combined, and segregated. He also commented on the issue of hunting in proximity of recreational trails and areas. He further explained that hunting seasons are after peak trail usage, so during the peak trail usage there will be no hunting.

Mayor Clark requested that the information provided in this work session, be presented at the City Council Meeting for public knowledge, immediately following this session.

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Charles D. Evans
City Clerk-Treasurer

Robert E. Clark
Mayor