

Board Member Manley Olson, second by Joel Peterson offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**SUNRISE RESOLUTION NO 090416-2
OPPOSING THE DNR PROPOSED ROCK ARCH RAPIDS PLANS FOR THE
DAM/SPILLWAY AT KOST DAM COUNTY PARK ON THE SUNRISE RIVER
LOCATED IN SUNRISE TOWNSHIP.**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Sunrise Township enjoy the Kost Dam Park located in Sunrise Township and the Sunrise Township Board with the negative impact that may be created with the proposed Rock Arch Rapid plan;

WHEREAS, the large rocks combined with low water flow which often occurs in the summer season and beyond may cause fish entrapment in rocks leading to dead fish and a rotting fish smell in the area of the spillway;

WHEREAS, The proposed 20:1 slope for the rock arch rapids would extend the rocks almost to the bridge over the river, which is approximately 250 feet downstream.

WHEREAS, there are many important mussel species that live in the Sunrise River below the dam; many of these species are on the State Threatened and Endangered Species list. The construction of the rock arch rapids will displace, or even kill these mussels.

WHEREAS, the rocks could actually have an unintended effect of creating an attractive nuisance; the slipper rocks may create new safety issues which could include head impact injuries, potential concussion, and even death;

WHEREAS, the preservation of the historic dam site may be jeopardized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sunrise Town Board opposes the proposed DNR Rock Arch Rapids Plan for the Dam/Spillway at Kost Dam County Park on the Sunrise River.

Following voted:

IN FAVOR THEREOF: Jack Kopp, Manley Olson, Stephen Merten, Gerald Bjork, Joel Peterson

OPPOSED: None

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly **passed and adopted on April 16, 2009.**