

HILLMOOR COMMISSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2025 – 6:00 PM

LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Mayor Todd Krause, Alderperson Cindy Yager, Mark Davids, Kenneth Etten, Dan Getzen, Larry Happ, Paula Porubcan, Peggy Schneider, Lowell Thompson, and Consultant Michael Krajovic.

Call to Order by Mayor Krause at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call - Present: Mayor Krause, Alderperson Cindy Yager, Kenneth Etten, Paula Porubcan, Peggy Schneider, Larry Happ, Lowell Thompson, Dan Getzen, Mark Davids, Parks Director David Winger, and Consultant Michael Krajovic.

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes. No one spoke during the public comment period.

Approve the Minutes of November 9, 2025 - On a motion by Larry Happ and seconded by Mark Davids, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Hillmoor/Consultant Report - Consultant Michael Krajovic handed out a revised upcoming meeting schedule and stated that the regularly scheduled Hillmoor meeting for February 12, 2026 is being moved to the following Thursday on February 19, 2026 to provide more time for Upland Design to incorporate public input from the February 5th and Feb 7th meetings into their design proposals for the Hillmoor Commission to consider at the February 19th meeting.

He also encouraged the public to attend the two public input meetings scheduled for February 5th and February 7th. The meetings will be held upstairs in the Police Training Rooms. Upland will be giving two presentations at each session: one at 6 pm and one at 7 pm on Thursday, the 5th and one at 10 am and one at 11 am on Saturday, the 7th. The public will be asked to provide comments on three different possible versions of the park layout for Zone 1.

He reported that the Park Commission approved as resolution at their last meeting that recommended improvements to the RT. 50 frontage of the Hillmoor property which will be discussed at the Commission's next meeting.

Presentation/Recommendation regarding White Pelican Native Landscaping Grant - Larry Happ gave a brief introduction about the Avian landscaping project and made a motion which was seconded by Paula Porubcan, and unanimously approved by the Commission, to suspend the rules to allow Peg Esposito of the Friends of Hillmoor to speak about the project. Ms. Esposito described the scope of the project including the location near the old cart path, the types of plants that will be planted, and the expected completion by next spring. One a motion by Paula Porubcan and seconded by Larry Happ, the

Commission unanimously approved the location of the small landscaping project about 500 ft. due west of the Rt. 50 parking lot, adjacent to the old cart path and wooden bridge.

Planning Session – Michelle Kelly and Maria Blood of Upland Design conducted an initial planning session with the Hillmoor Commission members using electronic devices to compile real time survey data. They sought input to identify long term expectations for the property and to develop lists of both challenges and opportunities for the project. They then surveyed Commission members to determine their preferences for various types, sizes, colors, and designs of amenities. In general, the Commission preferred using natural materials in the design of amenities such as stone and wood. Many ideas were discussed which will be incorporated into developing draft conceptual plans with estimated costs which will be presented to the Commission for initial review at the January 22nd Hillmoor meeting. The input from the January 22nd meeting will be used to develop three draft conceptual layout plans that will be presented for public review at February 5th and 7th meetings.

Adjournment – On a motion by Lowell Thompson and seconded by Larry Happ, the adjournment motion was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned approximately 8:36 pm.