

Board of Park Commissioners Meeting Minutes March 16, 2021

Call to Order: President Dr. Cindy Fueredi called the Park Board Meeting to Order on February 24, 2021 at 6:30 PM in the Council of Chambers of City Hall, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Roll Call: President Fueredi verbally called Roll Call. Those Commissioners present were President Dr. Cindy Fueredi, Alderperson Mary Jo Fesenmaier, David Quickel, Brian Olsen, Peg Esposito, Barbara Phillipps, Mayor Charlene Klein, Peggy Schneider and Neil Waswo, Street Superintendent Absent was Obdulia Alvarez. Guest present was Sarah McConnell.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 24, 2021: Fueredi moved to approve and was seconded by Peg Esposito. Vote was unanimous.

There were no comments from the public.

Discussion/Recommendation of Parks Use Ideas-AARP Grant Ideas: Cindy Fueredi talked to Tom Earl, DPW Director about use of Parks. About damage on the park paths. Peg Esposito mentioned she thinks the path behind the YMCA should be treated like a sidewalk. Neil Waswo said all the paths are built the same and the paths are not treated like sidewalks because the plows damage the walking paths. Peg Esposito mentioned the green route is to be cleared in winter, but the city is not doing it.

It was mentioned by Dave Quickel that at one time there was a lady named Mary that put out signs in the 4 Seasons nature preserve identifying various native plantings.

Cindy mentioned There is an available grant thru AARP that could be as much as \$20,000 to improve the quality of the City paths. Questions were raised: When is the AARP Grant due for submission? Who is writing the Grant? Peg Esposito said The Grant should concentrate on the use for Senior Citizens. The Application is due May 15, 2021.

Avian Representative Sarah McConnell reported on the Avian project, Storybook Trails, involving the Girl Scouts and 5th Graders from St. Francis Grade School. The Children are going to make nice temporary signs marking trails at 4 Seasons Nature Preserve. Cindy moved that we accept the Storybook Project at 4 Seasons and Brian Olsen seconded. The vote passed unanimously.

Discussion/Recommendation of Parks Maintenance and Repair-Four Seasons and Park Signs:

Cindy Fueredi passed out a printed outline of meeting and it is hereby entered and is part of the minutes for Meeting dated March 16, 2021. The discussion included the reporting of huge cracks in the Veterans Park basketball court due to the flooding of the City of Lake Geneva in 2017.

Westgate Tot Park in Sturwood Subdivision is open and the train is getting repainted.

The Four Seasons Nature Preserve is in disrepair. Cindy said Tom Earl reported the small pavilion is to be cleaned and the pavilions need new roofs. The boardwalk is going to be repaired and the Tower will not be rebuilt but the site will be cleaned up. The City is going to follow up on fire insurance for the burned tower.

There was discussion about the 5 bridges located next to the Disc Golf Park. The bridge (#1) to the North has been repaired and is strong enough for a car to cross on. #2 Bridge and #4 Bridge need repair and it is recommended # Bridge be abandoned and removed.

Brian Olsen moved that #2 Bridge be repaired, and #3 bridge be removed. Mary Jo Fesenmaier seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Discussion/Recommendation of TAP Grant and RFP's: This discussion will be continued in April's meeting.

Discussion/Recommendation of YMCA Presentations in April, June, August and October of 2021: The YMCA will report to the Park Board 4 times a year.

Discussion/Recommendation of Online Listings of Parks: Peg Esposito brought up that Stoneridge Park is privately owned and should be removed from the list of City Parks. Symphony Bay Park is not located in Lake Geneva.

Discussion/Recommendation of Park Impact Funds, Park Funds Use: MSA was approved. The company will identify parks. Peg will assist in cleaning up glaring errors.

Discussion/Recommendation of Park Impact Funds, Park Funds Use: Mary Joe said Park impact fees should assist projects like Never Say Never. All parks should have adaptive playground equipment and all parks should be accessible.

The Bocci Ball Park needs to be checked and make sure it is in good shape. The horseshoe pit is located at Vet's Park on the east side of the baseball diamond, and it should be examined for functionality also. Dave Quickel would like to have the Four Seasons Park named after Mary Kototsky.

Next Meeting of Park Board: President Furerdi announced the next meeting of the Park Board will be on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 6:30 PM. It was suggested the next month meeting includes discussion about the bike paths.

Adjournment: President Fueredi moved that the meeting be adjourned. Reg Esposito second the motion. The vote was unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Minutes are respectfully submitted by Secretary Barbara J. Philipps

Park Board Agenda March 16th

ROLL CALL

Present:

Absent:

APPROVAL OF February 2021 PARK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENTS

RECURRING BUSINESS

Discussion/Recommendation of Parks Use Ideas - AARP GRANT ideas

Discussion/Recommendation of Parks Maintenance and Repair- Four Seasons and Park Signs
FSNP

Four Seasons Nature Preserve (FSNP) small pavilion has offensive writing on it -PW will address

FSNP pavilions need new roofs and plywood repair- PW has had this in budget and will address

FSNP split-rail fence needs extensive repair- PW will repair

FSNP boardwalk needs reconstruction and tower needs to be removed- PW recommended that we ask City Clerk to follow up with insurance company

FSNP signs need repair-PW will address

FSNP needs fresh gravel- put in Capital Budget

FSNP needs blue park sign with map of path- put in Capital Budget

FSNP needs a new sign close to the road- ask PW to estimate cost and put in Capital Budget

FSNP planting signs?

FSNP Story Book to implement in May by Avian Committee

Veterans Park Basketball court has large cracks-PW will address

Westgate has closed sign and train needs paint-PW will address

Disc Golf Park Bridges- Decide on 2 middle bridges, send to PW. South bridge is sent out for RFP and

Capital Budget

Stoneridge Park- owned by Shodeen Builder

Home Depot

Fermano Park

Symphony Bay- has a private dog park

Discussion/Recommendation of TAP Grant and RFP's

Discussion/Recommendation of YMCA Presentations in April, June, August, October 2021

Discussion/Recommendation of Online listings of parks- City Clerk office gave us go ahead to develop website changes including pictures and renaming small parcels of land.

Discussion/Recommendation of Park Impact Funds, Park Funds Use

Discussion/Recommendation Bike Paths

Note: Costs and Budget Requests July

NEXT MEETING DATE April 2021