

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

1. Meeting was called to order by President Adam St. Marie at 6:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call: Present: President Adam St. Marie, David Quickel, Peggy Schneider, Dana Furlo, Julie Mulligan

Absent: Ann Esarco (excused), Alderperson Cindy Yager (excused), Mayor Todd Krause

3. Comments from the public, limited to 5 minutes: none

4. Approval of the Board of Park Commissioners minutes from September 17, 2024, and October 1, 2024: Motion to approve by Dave Quickel, Second by Adam St Marie. Approved unanimously.

5. YMCA Quarterly Report: by Mike Coolidge

Recap of Fall Sports at Vet's Park: Soccer- 245 boys and girls participated

Flag Football- 123 boys and girls participated

Nine tournaments held at Vet's Park this summer: 8 Baseball and 1 Softball; 2nd softball tournament canceled due to lack of participation

Summary of rentals with check sent to the city

Baseball facilities will close next week and reopen in April 2025.

Eleven tournaments scheduled for 2025: 9 Baseball and 2 Softball

YMCA will be going to Lake Geneva Tourism to pursue funding for spring spruce up in November. Exploring artificial turf and drainage tiles to address drainage issues

Questioned resurfacing of tennis courts for pickleball

Reported that the Lions Club came in to spruce up Lions Den. Reports the bathrooms need attention, the asphalt is heaving, concerns about the general maintenance of weeds, and that the benches need maintenance

6. Review of Avian Committee minutes: next meeting

7. Review of Tree Board minutes: Peggy shared that Candy Kirchberg was re-elected as Chair, Budget of \$20,000 for tree planting and \$10,000 for tree care, and 57 trees have been planted by

the city this year. Holiday lights will be placed on the buildings this season rather than the trees. We will revisit this issue in January.

8. Discussion/ Action on proposal from Glen Fern Construction for Project 2024-13A Lions Den Concession Concrete Pads (*carried forward from September meeting*): Motion to move forward by Dave Quickel, Second by Adam St. Marie. Approved unanimously.

9. Overview of Westgate Tot Lot: Recommended that all commissioners look at the Tot lots. The equipment is aging, paint is peeling, train paint is peeling. Discussion of possible options followed.

10. Discussion on proposed locations and uses for the \$17,000 of Impact Fees: Discussed purchase of benches and/or dog waste dispensers. DPW has posts for waste dispensers. Discussed dog regulations/ registrations and creative ways to enforce clean-up after dogs.

11. Discussion/ action on use for the \$17,000 of Impact Fees: Motion to purchase 5 benches by Julie Mulligan, Second by Adam St. Marie. Approved unanimously.

Added to above motion: Park Board will need to discuss and make recommendations for location of benches by June 2025 by Adam St. Marie, Second by Dave Quickel. Approved unanimously.

12. Call for a special workshop to continue discussion on 1, 3, and 5 year plans: Work session scheduled for October 29, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

13. Future Agenda Items: Explore Parks Corp Game Time Playgrounds offering matching grants. Discussion on how to use the remaining funds of Park Budget regarding playground equipment and location.

14. Next Meeting Date and Time: October 29, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

15. Motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. by Adam St. Marie, Second by Julie Mulligan. Approved.

Prepared by Peggy Schneider