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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2024

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson, Jordyn Kurer, Suneer Patel (virtually), Kathy Sylvester, Jean Wollerman
Staff Present: Director Amanda Geiser
Excused: Chris McCoy, Steve Otto

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The Commission meeting was held at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Dr., Neenah, and was called to order by Commissioner Beson at 6:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND DISCUSSION OF EXPENDITURES

The Park Commission dispenses with the reading of, and adopts, the April 10, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sylvester motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Wollerman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

- A. **Brews with the Bunny Review:** Director Geiser provided a recap of the 2024 Brews with the Bunny and Adult Egg Hunt event which was held on April 13 at Fritch Park. The event went well, from the weather to the number of people in attendance. There was a brief review of the event budget. The Commission provided positive feedback and thanked staff for a job well done.

REPORTS

- A. **Park Report:** Accepted as written.
- B. **Recreation Report:** Accepted as written.
- C. **Director Report:** Accepted as given.
- D. **Commission Reports:**
 - **Commissioner Beson:** Reported the Rydell Conservancy volunteer group has their first outing scheduled for Saturday. They will be working on ash tree removal at Rydell and he stated there will be a lot of opportunities to plant new trees. The work dates this spring will rotate between the Rydell Conservancy and O’Hauser Park.
 - **Commissioner Sylvester:** Mentioned that the recent work done around the ballfields at O’Hauser Park has been nice and the staff did a good job.
 - **Commissioner Kurer:** No report.
 - **Commissioner Patel:** No report.
 - **Commissioner Wollerman:** No report.
 - **Commissioner Otto:** Excused.
 - **Commissioner McCoy:** Excused.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Financial Assistance Request:** *Commissioner Sylvester made a motion to approve the Financial Assistance Request as submitted. Commissioner Kurer seconded the motion.*

Director Geiser reviewed the application in which assistance was requested for one summer program. The standard policy has been to approve 50% of the program fee and in this case the total would be \$57.50 worth of assistance.

The motion was put to a vote and all were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

- B. Fritse Park Kayak Launch:** *Commissioner Sylvester made a motion to approve the installation of the EZ Dock Kayak system at Fritse Park in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Commissioner Kurer seconded the motion.*

Director Geiser gave an update on the proposed change of kayak launch locations. The possibility of moving the launch to Fritse Park, from the originally proposed location of Butte des Morts Park, was discussed with the Village Board at their May 6 meeting. The board was in support of the change and gave the green light to change plans and proceed at Fritse Park. A request for proposals had previously gone out to four kayak dock/launch vendors and two proposals were received back. Director Geiser is seeking the approval to move forward with the EZ Dock system. She is still working with the vendor to confirm pricing based on two different piling options.

The motion was put to a vote and all were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

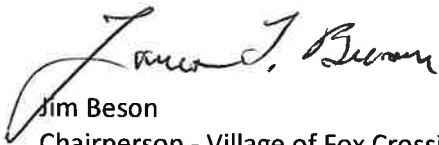
- A. Lauren Linstedt Thank You:** A thank you card from Lauren Linstedt was shared with the Commission. Lauren received a "Gold Award Project" through the Girl Scouts for completing a compost bin project at the Schildt Park Community Gardens last fall.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sylvester motioned, seconded by Commissioner Wollerman, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 6:35PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2024, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,



Jim Beson

Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission