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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2024

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson, Jordyn Kurer, Steve Otto, Suneer Patel, Kathy Sylvester, Jean Wollerman

Staff Present: Director Amanda Geiser

Excused: Chris McCoy

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 May 8, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sylvester motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Kurer. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

A. Preliminary Budget Discussion and Timeline: Director Geiser discussed the upcoming 2025 budget process, including upcoming meeting dates. There will be two Park Commission meetings in July to discuss budget items, with the final Park Commission recommendation to the Village Board occurring at the August 14 meeting.

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 that they wrapped up the spring volunteer dates. In total he estimated the group removed 20 ash trees between three outings. He also mentioned he will not be at the next meeting on July 10, 2024.
 - **Commissioner Sylvester:** Reported she recently walked the beginner disc golf course. She thought it might be a bit confusing recommended adding some directional signs (Director Geiser reported those are currently being worked on).
 - Commissioner Otto: Stated that for some reason this year disc golfers have been going in his yard and he will be putting up a few private property sign. He mentioned doesn't mind putting up the signs, that staff doesn't need to worry about it.
 - Commissioner Wollerman: Mentioned that she will not be in attendance for the next meeting on July 10, 2024
 - Commissioner Patel: No report.
 - Commissioner Kurer: No report.
 - Commissioner McCoy: Excused.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Disc Golf Summer Hours: Commissioner Patel made a motion to approve the temporary change of operating hours at the O'Hauser Disc Golf Course which will allow the course to remain open from 6AM until 11PM through September 2, 2024. Commissioner Sylvester seconded the motion.

Director Geiser reviewed a request made by disc golfers to extend the course hours through the summer months which would allow players to play the game of glow golf. Staff consulted with Chief Blashka and he did not foresee any issues with the temporary change.

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

B. Naming of the Disc Golf Courses: Commissioner Patel made a motion to approve the naming of the disc golf courses at O'Hauser Park to the Rich Martin Main 18-Hole Course and the John Terlap Beginner 9-Hole Course. Commissioner Kurer seconded the motion.

Director Geiser spoke of her desire to officially name two disc golf courses at O'Hauser Park now that the beginner course has been completed. She explained that this will not only help differentiate the courses, but also give credit to two individuals who were vital to the development and continued success of O'Hauser Disc Golf. The Commission was in favor of the naming and suggested also placing an informational sign detailing the reasoning why each individual is receiving the recognition.

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

C. Suburban Athletics Concession Painting: *Commissioner Sylvester made a motion to approve Suburban Athletics painting the concession stand. Commissioner Otto seconded the motion.*

Director Geiser brought forward a request made by Suburban Athletics, Inc. (SAI). SAI is seeking permission to paint the concession stand at O'Hauser Park. They indicated Sherwin Williams is willing to donate all of the paint. They also have a family that is part of their organization that does painting jobs on the side. The family along with additional volunteers would perform the work of painting the building a new color. The new color will be primarily gray, with a red and black trim, matching the SAI colors.

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

D. Financial Assistant Application: Commissioner Patel made a motion to allow Suburban Athletics Inc. to move forward with their proposed plan to paint the O'Hauser Park Concession Stand Building. 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 \$28.00 worth of assistance.

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

E. Election of the 2024-2025 Chairperson: Commissioner Patel made a motion to approve Jim Beson as the 2024-2025 Chairperson. Commissioner Kurer seconded the motion.

Chairperson Beson made a call for nominations. Commissioner Kurer nominated Commissioner Beson for the 2024-2025 Chairperson position, Commissioner Patel seconded. Commissioner Beson accepted the

nomination. Chairperson Beson made two more calls for nominations. No other nominations were received.

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

F. Election of the 2024-2025 Vice-Chairperson: Commissioner Patel made a motion to approve Kathy Sylvester as the 2024-2025 Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Otto seconded.

Chairperson Beson made a call for nominations. Commissioner Beson nominated Commissioner Sylvester for the 2024-2025 Vice-Chairperson position. Commissioner Patel seconded. Commissioner Sylvester accepted the nomination. Chairperson Beson made two more calls for nominations. No other nominations were received.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Otto motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 6:45PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2024, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,

HIM Beson KATTHU SYLVESTER

VIG Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission

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