



FOX CROSSING PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

2000 Municipal Drive Neenah, WI 54956-5663
Phone (920) 720-7108 Fax (920) 720-7113
www.foxcrossingwi.gov | parkrec@foxcrossingwi.gov

PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2022

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson, Kathy Sylvester, Jason Patzwald, Rhonda Elliott, and Steve Otto

Absent: Jean Wollerman (excused)

Staff Present: Director - Amanda Geiser, Administrative Assistant – Jackie Kempf

Public: Christopher McCoy, and Jordyn Kurer

* * * * *

The Commission meeting was held at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Dr., Neenah, and was called to order by Commissioner Patzwald 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 June 8, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Beson motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester. Motion carried. Commissioners Otto and Elliott abstained.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

MOTION BY COMMISSIONERS – Park Commission Interviews

A motion was made by Commissioner Beson, and seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to go into Closed Session at 6:03PM for Park Commission Interviews. Candidates Christopher McCoy and Jordyn Kurer were questioned during this time by the Commission regarding the vacant Park Commission seat. The closed session ended at 6:33PM with a motion made by Commissioner Sylvester and seconded by Commissioner Elliott.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

- A. 2023 Budget Discussion – Director Geiser shared rough numbers in regards to the 2023 budget. Commissioner Beson questioned if the wages will be adjusted in 2023 based on inflation; Director Geiser shared each year the budget aims to give wage increases pending board approval. Director Geiser also added that under the 2023 Recreation Budget Detail sheet, there is nothing listed for Capital Equipment but the plan in 2023 is to add an overhead projector to the Badger Room at the Community Center. More defined budget numbers will be shared at the July 27, 2022, Park Commission Meeting.

REPORTS

- A. Park Report: Accepted as written.
B. Recreation Report: Accepted as written.
C. Director Report: Accepted as given.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Beson: Commission Beson shared that he has been in touch with Warehouse Specialists regarding mowing the grass on Hwy 114/Plank Road Trail and it will now be taken care of. Commissioner Beson has been mowing at Gant and it looks really good, but there is a lot of ash borer growing. Director Geiser shared that Park Foreman Tauscher and Park Maintenance worker Kempen

marked off the section at Wittmann that has a significant amount of ash trees; those will be removed in the fall. Commissioner Beson will also be taking down a tree at Butte des Morts, per Park Foreman Tauscher's request.

Commissioner Elliott: None

Commissioner Otto: None

Commissioner Patzwald: Commissioner Patzwald questioned if the Village is considering a Splash Pad at Woodland Prairie similar to the size at Washington Park in the City of Neenah.

Commissioner Sylvester: None

Commissioner Wollerman: Absent

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fritsch Park Use – St. Joe's Program Run/Walk:** St. Joe's Program 5K Run/Walk would like to use Fritsch Park for a portion of their event on Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 8:20 – 8:40AM. Commissioner Beson made a motion to approve this request, and Commissioner Otto seconded. All approved, motion passed.
- Schildt Park Use Request – Pat Ryan:** Pat Ryan, a local musician, has asked for permission to shoot a music video inside and outside of the Schildt Park granary building. The Commission voted "no" to using the inside of the building, but Commissioner Sylvester voted to table the request for using the outside of the building until more information/a detailed plan is presented to the Commission regarding this request. Commissioner Patzwald seconded the motion. The request has been tabled for the July 27, 2022, Park Commission meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Otto motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:34PM. Motion carries unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for July 27 at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM. An additional meeting is also scheduled for August 10, 2022, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,



for Jason Patzwald

Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission