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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

September 14, 2022

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

Absent: Jean Wollerman (excused), Chris McCoy (excused), and Rhonda Elliott (excused)

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

Public: Ben Oitzinger and Adam Hablewitz – Suburban Athletics Inc.

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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 August 10, 2022, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sylvester motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Beson. Motion carried. Commissioner Otto abstained.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

A. O’Hauser Park – Suburban Athletics Discussion: Suburban Athletics Inc. (SAI) Board Members Ben Oitzinger and Adam Hablewitz attended the meeting to propose options to help with Volunteer Field drainage. Board Member Oitzinger shared concepts on how to limit offsite water from entering Volunteer & Larsen Fields, as well as the concession area. SAI stated that they would prefer to begin the work of putting in swales between Volunteer Field and the pavilion, as well as re-grading the walkway south of the 3rd base line, as soon as possible to coordinate around Spring/Summer SAI programs. Director Geiser shared that Phase I would be done and paid for by SAI, so no vote was needed by the Park Commission.

REPORTS

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

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Beson: Commissioner Beson shared that the Volunteer Group would be out on October 1st at Rydell removing infected ash trees.

Commissioner Elliott: Absent

Commissioner Otto: Commissioner Otto shared that at the September 12 Village Board Meeting the new truck was approved. He also mentioned that he learns a lot from the Village Board meetings and encouraged all Park Commission members to attend on their scheduled nights.

Commissioner Patzwald: Commissioner Patzwald asked about having playground sponsors; Director Geiser shared that it has been considered and would be something to look into when major renovations are done.

Commissioner Sylvester: None

Commissioner McCoy: Absent

Commissioner Wollerman: Absent

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Adopt-A-Trail Request – Community First Credit Union:** CFCU requested to adopt the 1-mile Cold Spring Road Trail that runs from Jacobsen Road north to E. Shady Lane This trail has been considered abandoned by the previous adopter. Commissioner Beson motioned to approve this request, with Commission Otto seconding. All approved; motion carried.
- B. Adopt-A-Trail Request – Chris Van Linn:** Chis Van Linn has requested to adopt the 1-mile portion of the W. American Drive Trail that runs from E. Shady Lane north to CTH BB. Commissioner Sylvester motioned to approve this request, with Commissioner Beson seconding. All approved; motion carried.
- C. Adopt-A-Trail Request – 313 Sales Group:** 313 Sales Group requested to adopt the .75-mile portion of the Plank Road Trail that runs from Oneida Street west and ends close to Heckrodt Wetland Reserve entrance. Commissioner Beson motioned to approve this request, with Commission Otto seconding. All approved; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sylvester motioned, seconded by Commissioner Patzwald, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 6:52PM. Motion carries unanimously.

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

Sincerely,



Jason Patzwald
Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission