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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2023

Park Commissioners Present: Jordyn Kurer (virtual), Jason Patzwald, Jim Beson, Kathy Sylvester, Jean Wollerman, Steve Otto, and Chris McCoy

Staff Present: Director - Amanda Geiser

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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 January 11, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Beson motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Otto. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

- A. **2022 Year-In-Review:** The 2022 Year-in-Review as discussed. Director Geiser discussed her thoughts including rec participation and cost recovery, as well as the amount of work the department is able to do with current staffing levels. The Commissioners praised the staff and were pleased with the document, and all that was accomplished. Commissioner Wollerman suggested sending a Thank You letter to sponsors and include the Year-in-Review document.
- B. **Butte des Morts Park Playground Proposals:** Director Geiser presented the concepts that were received for the Butte des Morts Park playground renovation project. In total, there were four vendors that each submitted two proposals. The Commissioners shared their thoughts on the proposals they were in favor of.
 - **Commissioner Patzwald:** Commissioner Patzwald commented that he chose the following based on what his kids would enjoy: Gerber 2, Lee Recreation 2, Minnesota/Wisconsin Playground 2
 - **Commissioner McCoy:** Commissioner McCoy felt they all looked fun, but chose: Lee Recreation 2, Minnesota/Wisconsin Playground 2, Gerber 2
 - **Commissioner Sylvester:** Commissioner Sylvester noted she was looking for the most interesting proposals, and she chose: Lee Recreation 2, Minnesota/Wisconsin Playground 2
 - **Commissioner Otto:** Commissioner Otto was in favor of only the Lee Recreation proposals
 - **Commissioner Beson:** Commissioner Beson chose those that he felt offered balance and strength development: Gerber 2, and both Lee Recreation proposals
 - **Commissioner Wollerman:** Commissioner Wollerman agreed with all comments, and added that we would want to ensure we have something for all ages, and felt the swings needed to be changed to allow for at least one ADA swing.
 - **Commissioner Kurer:** Commissioner Kurer chose: Gerber 2, Minnesota/Wisconsin Playground 2, Lee Recreation 2 (but was also fine with 1)

The Commission then took an informal vote and Lee Recreation’s #2 concept was selected, 7-0.

REPORTS

- A. **Park Report:** Accepted as written.
- B. **Recreation Report:** Accepted as written.
- C. **Director Report:** Accepted as given.
- D. **Commission Reports:**
 - **Commissioner Beson:** No report
 - **Commissioner Otto:** Shared that for the first time ever, no one was disc golfing because it was too cold.
 - **Commissioner Patzwald:** No report
 - **Commissioner Sylvester:** No report
 - **Commissioner Kurer:** No report
 - **Commissioner McCoy:** No report
 - **Commissioner Wollerman:** No report

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Butte des Morts Playground Proposals:** Commissioner Beson made a motion to approve Lee Recreation's Proposal #2 for the Butte des Morts Playground at a price of \$49,704.00. Commissioner Sylvester seconded. All agreed; motion approved.
- B. **Suburban Athletics, Inc. (SAI) – Temporary Signage Request:** Commissioner Sylvester motioned to approve allowing SAI to temporarily place signage, assuming they follow all guidelines and sign the agreement, at O'Hauser Park this coming summer. Commissioner McCoy seconded. Commissioner Wollerman would like to see SAI sign the agreement to acknowledge their acceptance. All agreed; motion approved.

CORRESPONDANCE:

- A. Director Geiser shared the letter that was sent regarding a deposit that was withheld in the month of January.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Otto motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:03PM. Motion carries unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2023, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,



Jason Patzwald
Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission