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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2021

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson, Paul Vandenberg, Jason Patzwald, Steve Otto, Kathy Sylvester, and Jean Wollerman

Excused Absence: Rhonda Elliott

Staff Present: Director - Amanda Geiser, Administrative Assistant – Jackie Kempf, Recreation Supervisor – Leah Zak

Public: Trish Nau - Principal Park and Recreation Planner at East Central Wisconsin Regional (ECWRPC)

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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 April 14, 2021, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sylvester motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Beson. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

- A. **Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) Update:** Trish Nau was present at the meeting where the Commission shared their scores on the SMART Goal Assessment, as well as their thoughts on the SWOT Analysis. At the June meeting, Trish will again be present to address survey results, review needs assessments, and discuss public information options.
- B. **O’Hauser Park-Larsen Field/Drainage Options:** Director Geiser wanted feedback on Suburban Athletics lack of Larsen Field usage, and plans from McMahon on how to improve the field and parking conditions.
- C. **Anunson Farm Park (Delayed) Grand Opening Celebration Discussion:** All Commission members were in favor of the proposed Celebration/Movie Night for Thursday, July 1. Director Geiser stated more information will be coming out, and if there is a ribbon cutting ceremony, the Commission is invited to attend.
- D. **Menasha School District Fee Exception Request:** This was brought to Director Geiser as an informal request; the Commission agreed that there needed to be more clarification and a formal request to make a decision.

REPORTS

- A. **Park Report:** Report accepted as given.
- B. **Recreation:** Report accepted as given.
- C. **Director Report:** Report accepted as given.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Beson: Shared that the Rydell Conservancy Volunteer Staff will begin on May 22 with the island area, then the parking lot, and possibly in the future go to Gant Park. All are welcome to help.

Commissioner Elliott: Absent

Commissioner Otto: None

Commissioner Patzwald: None

Commissioner Sylvester: None

Commissioner Vandenberg: None

Commissioner Wollerman: None

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Adopt-a-Trail – Hasenohrl Family:** Commissioner Beson made a motion to accept, Commissioner Vandenberg seconded. Motion carried unanimously. This segment will complete the stretch of CTH CB from CTH BB to II.
- B. **Fritse Park Adopt-a-Launch Program Approval:** Commissioner Sylvester made a motion to accept, Commissioner Beson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. **Fritsch Park User Agreement – YMCA of the Fox Cities:** Commissioner Beson made a motion to accept, Commissioner Vandenberg seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. **Financial Assistance Request:** Commissioner Vandenberg made a motion to accept, Commissioner Beson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Otto motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:13PM. Motion carries unanimously.

The Commission will gather for a tour of five neighborhood parks on May 26. No action will be taken on items.

The next formal Commission meeting is scheduled for June 9, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,



Jason Patzwald
Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission President