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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2020

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson & Jason Patzwald; via phone – Rhonda Elliott, Steve Otto, Kathy Sylvester, Paul Vandenberg & Jim Wise

Staff Present: Director - Amanda Geiser

Public: None

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The Commission meeting was held at the Community Center, 1000 Valley Rd., Menasha, and was called to order by Commissioner Vandenberg at 6:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken. Due to Governor Evers’ “Stay at Home” Order, the meeting was conducted via telephone conference to include Commissioners who were not able to attend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND EXPENDITURES

The Park Commission dispenses with the reading of, and adopts the April 8, 2020, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Wise motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Vandenberg. Motion carries unanimously.

The Commissioners reviewed and questioned the expenditure list dated May 13, 2020, for the period ending May 5, 2020, in the amount of \$21,085.77. Commissioner Beson motioned to approve the expenditure list, seconded by Commissioner Elliott. Motion carries unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

A. Butte des Morts Park Survey Results: Discussed the park in general. Commissioner Beson suggested a trail around the pond. Director Geiser spoke about taking a step back from the playground planning and evaluate overall park improvement. Commissioner Wise advised there is definitely a mosquito issue at the park. The Commission is happy with comments received from the survey.

B. Impact of COVID-19 on the Department: Discussed re-opening plans, phases, etc.

REPORTS

A. Park Report: Presented.

B. Recreation Report: None to report.

C. Director’s Report: Presented.

D. Commission Reports:

Commissioner Sylvester: Advised there are 30-40 cars at the disc golf course, with even more on nice days. This week, more people seem to be social distancing. Commissioner Otto has noted groups of 6-12 playing together.

Commissioner Vandenberg: Noted the statue previously discussed for possible placement in the Village has been placed at Miron. The bridge at Rydell Conservancy looking amazing. He watched the F-15 flyover at Rydell and the park was busy.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Adopt-a-Trail Request – Rocky Shafer, Century 21 Ace Realty: Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Patzwald, to approve the Adopt-a-Trail Request made by Rocky Shafer. Motion carries unanimously.

B. Anunson Farm Park Natural Play Equipment Purchase: Motion by Commissioner Beson, seconded by Commissioner Elliott, to approve the nature playground equipment proposal from GRG Playscapes in an amount not to exceed \$26,000. Motion carries unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Otto motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:06PM. Motion carries unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for May 27, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Dr., Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely,

Paul Vandenberg
Chairperson –Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission