

FOX CROSSING PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2025

Park Commissioners Present: Jim Beson, Jordyn Kurer, Kathy Sylvester, Suneer Patel, Jill Rasmussen, Jean Wollerman,

Matt Werner

Staff Present: Director Amanda Geiser

Others in Attendance: Steve Shelley, Rocky Schafer

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The Commission meeting was held at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Dr., Neenah, and was called to order by Commissioner Beson 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 13, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Patel motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester. Commissioner Werner abstained. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

- A. Earl Street Athletic Complex Review of Proposals: Director Geiser discussed the proposals that were received and asked the Park Commission to decide if they'd like to accept or reject the proposal made by Menasha Youth Sports, as the paper copies were not received by the posted deadline. The Commission collectively agreed to take both proposals into consideration. The Commission then turned over their scoring spreadsheets, which had been scored prior to the meeting. While Director Geiser was tallying the scores, the Commission asked questions to the two Neenah Soccer Club representatives that were in attendance. Questions centered around attendance and outreach plans. The proposal scoring was then reviewed. Menasha Youth Sports received 146 out of 280 possible points and Neenah Soccer Club 242 out of 280. General discussed ensured. Commissioners had concerns with the viability of the Menasha Youth Sports-River Surge FC partnership and noted their proposal was lacking requested information. The consensus favored approving the proposal made by the Neenah Soccer Club. Official action recommending a lessee to the Village Board will take place at the October 8 Park Commission Meeting.
- **B.** Discount Ticket Summary: Director Geiser reviewed the 2025 discount ticket program sales and discussed the comparison to last year's figures. Overall, the number of tickets sold was down from 2023 and 2024, but still in line with the sales prior to those years. It was discussed that the years of 2023 and 2024 were exceptionally high and we have fallen back in line with the numbers we were typically seeing. One thing that was noted is we are now receiving \$1.00 per ticket sold, versus the \$.75 per ticket previously earned.

REPORTS

- A. Park Report: Accepted as written.
- B. Recreation Report: Accepted as written.
- C. Director Report: Accepted as given.
- D. Commission Reports:
 - Commissioner Beson: Informed everyone the volunteer group will be starting back up soon and will once
 again focus on ash tree removal. He also mentioned he recently visited Woodland Prairie Park and ran

into a family having a picnic. After striking up a conversation he was interested to hear the family was from Little Chute and they shared this was their favorite mountain bike track to visit. The mother discussed that her children always want to come to Woodland Prairie Park.

Commissioner Kurer: No report.
 Commissioner Patel: No report.

• Commissioner Rasmussen: No report.

Commissioner Sylvester: No report.

• Commissioner Werner: No report.

Commissioner Wollerman: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Assistance Request: Commissioner Slyvester made a motion to approve the Financial Assistance Request as submitted. Commissioner Patel seconded the motion.

Director Geiser reviewed the application that requests assistance for both the fall and winter KidStage youth theater programs. Currently, staff is only requesting approval for the fall session. Noting that KidStage is a contracted program with associated costs, Director Geiser would like to first ensure that the program is a good fit, that the child enjoys participating, and that attendance is consistent before seeking approval for the winter session.

The motion was put to a vote and all were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sylvester motioned, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 6:57PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2025, at the Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive, Neenah, at 6:00PM.

Sincerely, Law F. Bewn

Jim Beson

Chairperson - Village of Fox Crossing Park Commission