



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, May 9, 2012

6:30 PM

Olbrich Botanical Gardens
3330 Atwood Ave.

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Madison Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, May 9th at Olbrich Botanical Gardens, 3330 Atwood Ave.

President Wallner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members present: Bill Barker, Madelyn Leopold, Nancy Ragland, Emanuel Scarbrough and David Wallner, Alder Mark Clear, and Ald. Joe Clausius. Commissioner Leopold was excused 7:05 PM for a prior engagement.

Parks staff present: Eric Knepp, Kay Rutledge, and Bill Bauer

City staff present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office; Max Conway, City Engineering; Al Larson, Water Utility

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Scarbrough, to refer the minutes of the April 11, 2012 Board of Park Commissioners meeting to the June meeting for approval. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - (3 minute speaking limit for items not on the agenda)

The following individuals registered and spoke in appreciation of the recent expansion of Merrill Springs Park and registered concerns in regard to potential uses of the park as a reservable space.

Registerants:

Candy Schrank, 5042 Lake Mendota Dr.

Bill Fitzpatrick, 5156 Spring Court

Faith Fitzpatrick, 5156 Spring Court

Alice Erickson, 5109 Spring Court

Susan Roberts, 5141 Spring Court

Richard Pearson, 5030 Lake Mendota Dr.

IV. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Commissioner Barker disclosed that he had written a letter of support for the Central Park grant application (Item VI.C.)

V. REPORTS

A. President of the Parks Commission

Reappointments for three year terms to the Warner Park Community and Recreation Center Advisory Committee were presented by President Wallner.

The appointments are:

Sonci Clair-Thomas, Citizen Representative

Paul Van Rooy, Northeast Side Senior Coalition Representative

David Wallner, Parks Commission Representative

Motion to Approve by Clausius, seconded by Clear to Approve these appointments. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

B. Superintendent of Parks

1. Written Report of Supervisor's Activities, May 2012

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Clear, to accept the written report of Supervisor's Activities. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request from CureSearch for Children's Cancer to hold the CureSearch Walk at Vilas Park on Saturday, October 13, 2012.

A motion was made by Barker, seconded by Leopold, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

B. To commemorate the 42nd anniversary of Earth Day on April 22, 2012, to proclaim April 20, 2012 and April 21, 2012 as Earth Day Challenge Days and endorsing and encouraging citizen participation in the clean-up events at City of Madison Parks. (All ADs)

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Barker to approve and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

C. Supporting the application by the City of Madison Parks Division for a Dane County Partners for Recreation and Conservation (PARC) grant to develop a Central Park skatepark.

A motion was made by Clausius, seconded by Scarbrough to approve and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

D. Supporting the application by the City of Madison Parks Division for a Dane County Partners for Recreation and Conservation (PARC) grant for oak savanna restoration projects.

A motion was made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland to approve and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other (Bill Barker was noted as abstaining).

- E. Authorizing the execution of an Underground Gas Main Easement to Madison Gas and Electric Company across a portion of Yahara Parkway, located at 101 North Thornton Avenue.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Scarbrough to approve and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

- F. Kennedy Storm Sewer Bypass Project in Kennedy School Park.

Max Conway, City Engineering, presented the plans for the storm sewer bypass project in Kennedy School Park.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Clausius to approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

- G. Madison Water Utility presentation on future construction and related easements for Well #15 at Reindahl Park.

Al Larson from the Madison Water Utility made a slideshow presentation and provided information on the current status of Well #15 construction at Reindahl Park.

- H. Madison Water Utility Presentation on the status of Unit Well #8 at Olbrich Park.

Al Larson from the Madison Water Utility made a slideshow presentation and provided information on the current status of Well #8 development.

- I. Highland Manor Master Plan

Bill Bauer presented the Highland Manor Master Plan and provided an overview of the history of the park and future planned developments at the park.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Scarbrough to approve the presented Master Plan for Highland Manor Park. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

- J. A Resolution Adopting the 2012-2017 Park and Open Space Plan as a Supplement to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Clear to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Barker, seconded by Clear, to Adjourn at 7:38 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.