



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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Wednesday, July 13, 2016

6:30 PM

Goodman Maintenance Facility  
1402 Wingra Creek Pkwy.

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Madison Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the Goodman Maintenance Facility. President Wallner called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Ald. Mark Clear; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and David Wallner.

Members Excused: Ald. Samba Baldeh and Jeffrey Lewis.

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Kay Rutledge; Charlie Romines; Marla Eddy; Joanne Austin; Ann Shea; Janet Schmidt; Sara Lerner; and Mike Sturm.

City Staff Present: Dan Rolfs, City Real Estate and Mary Michaud, Public Health.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Clear, to Approve the Minutes of the June 8, 2016 Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Registered Speaker T.R. Loon spoke in opposition of the sound levels approved for PA permits in 2016 and of adding an extra day to the Orton Park Festival.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

### REPORTS

#### President of the Park Commission

President David Wallner participated in two TV programs, one with Eric and the other with Charlie. He met with Claire and FOOT regarding a potential beer garden at Olin-Turville Park. He participated in the Lake Edge Park Shelter ribbon cutting, and attended the Blues Festival at Warner Park and a concert at Olbrich Park. Park Commission retreat is scheduled for August 21. Please send your ideas to Assistant Superintendent Kay Rutledge. Wallner attended the Children to Nature reception at McKay Center. Still need more volunteers for Ride the Drive.

**Superintendent of Parks**

Superintendent Eric Knepp listed a number of recent events in parks, including Dinner and a Swim (free admission to pool and Food Carts were available). Capital Improvement Program is underway, including Allied Drive park planning, Penn Park shelter planning, and playgrounds under construction. Ride the Drive coming up, Concert in the Breese next Tuesday, pickleball lessons soon, and the pickleball complex is soon to be under construction. Operating Budget submission is underway and due July 20th. Lost 85 street trees in recent storm event, power outages, etc. Within 24 hours all streets were clear and passable. Ash tree fell on Norman Clayton shelter and a tree went through the roof at Odana Maintenance. The enclosure at Bernie's Beach was completely demolished as well.

[43642](#)

Superintendent's July 2016 Report

**Motion made by Clear, seconded by Gnam, to Accept the report. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43645](#)

Report of Subcommittee Minutes of the May 26, 2016 Parks Long Range Planning Subcommittee.

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to Approve the Minutes of the May 26, 2016 Long Range Planning Subcommittee meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to Approve by Consent Agenda No. 14, Legislative File No. 43373 and No. 17, Legislative File No. 43478. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43373](#)

Authorizing the City to execute an agreement with Madison Home Brewers and Tasters Guild, Ltd. to close and use the Olin Park Boat Launch to facilitate the Great Tasters of the Midwest Event for the years of 2016-2017.

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43478](#)

Authorizing the execution of a Declaration of Public Water Main Easement pertaining to lands located within Monona Golf Course, at 111 East Dean Avenue.

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43633](#)

Connecting Children to Nature Planning Grant Update

**Mary Michaud, Public Health, presented information on the grant program to connect kids to nature and improve equity.**

[43619](#)

Authorizing the Acceptance of an Idle Industrial Sites Redevelopment Grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) and Amending the 2016 Parks Division Capital Budget

**Dan Rolfs, City Real Estate, provided an overview of the Idle Industrial Sites Redevelopment Grant for the Garver project. Motion made by Clear, seconded by Gnam, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**Motion made by Clear, seconded by Gnam, to Recess. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**Recess was called at 7:55 PM.**

**Members Present: Ald. Mark Clear; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and David Wallner.**

**Members Excused: Ald. Samba Baldeh and Jeffrey Lewis.**

**Reconvened at 8:07 PM.**

**Members Present: Ald. Mark Clear; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and David Wallner.**

**Members Excused: Ald. Samba Baldeh and Jeffrey Lewis.**

[43635](#)

Update: Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Plan 2016

**City Forester Marla Eddy presented information on the EAB Plan efforts.**

**Registered Speaker T.R. Loon spoke regarding the ash tree adoption program.**

[43631](#)

Request by Blooming Grove Historical Society for the installation of a wooden identification sign at the Nathaniel & Harriet Dean House in Monona Golf Course.

**Registered Speaker Ann Waidelich, Historic Blooming Grove Historical Society, spoke in support of the request and answered questions.**

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to Approve Contingent on Approval by the LANDMARKS COMMISSION. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43636](#)

Request from Jeremy Nuttall for the use of Central Park from September 17 - October 17, 2016 for a temporary Blink Art Installation

**Registered Speaker Jeremy Nuttall spoke and answered questions about his temporary Blink Art project.**

**Motion made by Clear, seconded by Gnam, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43646](#) Policy and Guidelines for Off-Leash Dog Park Service Area Standards

**Landscape Architect Sarah Lerner provided an overview of the policy.**

**Motion made by Leopold, second by Gnam to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43637](#) Request by Madison Area Rehabilitation Centers, Inc. to have Seymour Environmental Services, Inc. install two temporary flush mount monitoring wells in Reindahl Park.

**Planning and Development Manager Janet Schmidt provided an overview of the request.**

**Registered Speaker Robyn Seymour, MARC East, spoke regarding the request.**

**Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Clear, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[43639](#) Park and Open Space Plan and Public Facility Needs Assessment Update

**Landscape Architect Mike Sturm provided an overview of the Needs Assessment report.**

[43643](#) Central Park Update

**Janet Schmidt provided an update regarding Central Park.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Adjourn at 9:58 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**