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Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

6:30 PM

Olbrich Botanical Gardens
3330 Atwood Ave.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Madison Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. President Wallner called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

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

Members Excused: Ald. Samba Baldeh

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Kay Rutledge; Charlie Romines; Joanne Austin; Sarah Lerner; Janet Schmidt; and Ann Shea.

City Staff Present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Leopold, to Approve the Minutes of the December 9, 2015 Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Registered Speaker Nancy Wiegand spoke about trees being cut down at Owen Conservation Park.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS

President of the Park Commission

President Wallner attended the retirement gatherings for Russ Hefty and Tom Maglio. Wallner expressed interest in getting everyone together to talk about how the Park Commission functions, etc.

Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent Knepp spoke about a number of winter events coming up. The Badger Women's Hockey event is being rescheduled due to extreme cold and Yahara cross-country skiing trails are open. Claire Oleksiak, the new Community Services Manager, will be starting Feb. 1. Madelyn Leopold expressed interest in being a part of the hiring process for the Conservation Supervisor (Russ Hefty's position).

41306

Superintendent's January 2016 Report

Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to Accept the Report. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

41313

Report of the Minutes of the February 10, 2015 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee, July 23, 2015 Warner Park Community Recreation Center Advisory Subcommittee, and October 20, 2015 Olbrich Botanical Society meetings.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to Approve by Consent Agenda No. 14, Legislative File No. 41101, No. 15, Legislative File No. 41196, and No. 16, Legislative File 41153. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

41101

Authorizing the execution of an Underground Electric Line Easement to Madison Gas and Electric Company across a portion of Camelot Park, located at 1754 Camelot Drive.

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

41196

To authorize the City to enter into an agreement with SiteOne Landscape Supply Holding LLC for chemicals and supplies to be used for EAB mitigation in 2016.

A motion was made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

- [41153](#) Amending Sec. 24.08(3)(d) of the Madison General Ordinances to clarify certain exemptions to the Noise Control Ordinance.
Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE. Motion passed by voice vote/other.
- [41319](#) Request from University of Wisconsin to Install a Wildlife Camera along the Bikepath in Reindahl Park.
Registered Speaker David Drake, University of Wisconsin, provided information on the project.
Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.
- [41323](#) Request from University of Wisconsin to Allow the Urban Canid Project to Continue for a Second Year.
Registered Speakers David Drake and Marcus Mueller, University of Wisconsin, provided an update on the project at Owen Conservation Park and requested to expand the project to Olin-Turville, Hoyt, and possibly other parks with Parks staff approval.
Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.
- [41328](#) Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Pump Station 15 Expansion in Marshall Park
Registered Speakers Bruce Borelli, MMSD, Jim Kleinschmidt, Baxter Woodman, and Nick Schwarz, Ken Saiki Design, provided information on the project.
Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Clear, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.
- [41332](#) Update on the Pilot Program to Expand the Dogs in Parks Policy
Landscape Architect Sarah Lerner provided an update on the pilot program.
- [41302](#) Request from Townsquare Active for the use of Warner Park for the Insane Inflatable 5K on Saturday, July 23, 2016, with set-up on Friday, July 22, with additional use of a portion of the parking lot from Thursday, July 21 - Monday, July 25.
Registered Speaker Nick Germano representing Townsquare Active Events LLC, spoke in support. Registered Speaker Marian Celesnik asked questions. Registered Speaker Marie Jacobson representing Wild Warner raised concerns about protection of sensitive environmental areas.
Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Adjourn at 8:57 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.