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Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

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, March 11, 2015 at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. President Wallner called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

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

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Kay Rutledge; Charlie Romines; Dawn Grosdidier; Joanne Austin; Roberta Sladky; Ann Shea; and Sarah Lerner.

City Staff Present: Sally Swenson, City Engineering.

Alders: Ledell Zellers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Approve the Minutes of the February 25, 2015, Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Registered Speaker Mary White, member of the Eastside Farmer's Market Advisory Board, will be proposing to use Central Park in 2016.

Registered Speaker Trish O'Kane spoke regarding the Nature Explorers Program.

Registered Speaker Kathleen Wolf spoke regarding Warner Park.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS**President of the Park Commission**

President Wallner attended meetings regarding various topics including the future use of Central Park, Breese Stevens Field, and noise concerns. What should be the final Garver meeting to select a proposal will be held on March 18th at the Goodman Community Center at 6:30 pm.

Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent Knepp stated spring is here! Golf season and registration for swimming lessons will be starting soon. We're doing our best to keep people off turf areas to protect them for summer use. Winter ended pretty good after a rough start, especially ice skating. Wallner also mentioned the Empty Bowl Project being held at the Warner Park Community Recreation Center on March 14th from 4 pm-6:30 pm.

[37544](#)

Superintendent's March 2015 Report

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Clausius, to Accept the written Superintendent's Report. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[37543](#)

Report of Subcommittee Minutes of the January 29, 2015 Long Range Planning Subcommittee, October 27, 2014 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee, and December 9, 2014 Olbrich Botanical Society.

Motion made by Clausius, seconded by Ragland, to Accept the Report of the January 29, 2015 Long Range Planning Subcommittee, October 27, 2014 Habitat Stewardship Subcommittee, and December 9, 2014 Olbrich Botanical Society. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS**[37512](#)**

Request from University of Wisconsin regarding the Urban Canid Project.

Registered Speaker David Drake spoke about the Urban Canid Project.

Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Ragland, to Approve with the condition that Park Operations Manager, Charlie Romines, approve the locations. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[37519](#)

Lagoon Shoreline Improvements in Tenney Park

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

- [37428](#) Adopting the Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Downtown Public Restroom Committee
- Motion made by Clausius, seconded by Leopold, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [37524](#) Request from Ragnar Events, LLC for the Ragnar Relay Chicago and the use of Warner Park on June 11 and 12, 2015, and Olbrich Park on June 12, 2015.
- Motion made by Clear, seconded by Clausius, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [37530](#) Request from Madison Mallards for the use of Breese Stevens Field for The Progressive Fighting Bob Festival on September 18 and 19, 2015.
- Registered Speakers in Support: Vern Stenman and Conor Caloia, representing the Madison Mallards; and Erika Baer, representing The Progressive.**
- Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [37535](#) Breese Stevens Field 2015 Fees
- Motion made by Clear, seconded by Clausius, to Approve. Motion made by voice vote/other.**
- [37581](#) Request from Frank Productions for the use of Breese Stevens Field for one concert event in 2015 (date TBD).
- Motion made by Clausius, seconded by Clear, to take this item out of order. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- Registered Speaker in Support: Charlie Goldstone, representing Frank Productions, provided a handout.**
- Registered Speakers Opposed: Marsha Cannon and Peter Cannon.**
- Motion made by Clear, seconded by Clausius, to Approve with an amendment to the conditions for a maximum level of 105 Db in the mix level station and 85 Db at the perimeter. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [37541](#) Shelter Reservation Key Service
- Motion made by Clear, seconded by Gnam, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

37263

Request to close Olbrich Botanical Gardens to the public from 8 am - 8 pm on June 20, 2015 for Rhapsody in Bloom and to close to the public at 6 pm on Wednesdays through Fridays from August 28 through September 30, 2015 for GLEAM, Art in a New Light.

Ald. Joseph Clausius left at 8:57 pm.

Members Present: 6 -Ald. Mark Clear, Emily Gnam, Madelyn Leopold, Jeffrey Lewis, Nancy Ragland, and David Wallner.

Members Absent: 1 – Ald. Joseph Clausius.

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

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Adjourn at 9:08 PM.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.**