



City of Madison

City of Madison
Madison, WI 53703
www.cityofmadison.com

Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

6:30 PM

Olbrich Botanical Gardens
3300 Atwood Ave.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. President Leopold called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Ald. Samba Baldeh; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and Venus Washington.

Members Excused: Ald. Maurice Cheeks and Moira Harrington

Parks Staff Present: Kay Rutledge; Lisa Laschinger; Greg Genin; Claire Oleksiak; Ann Freiwald; Joanne Austin; and Kate Kane.

City Staff Present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office, and Janet Schmidt and Matt Allie, City Engineering.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Baldeh, to Approve the Minutes of the February 13, 2019 Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS

President of the Park Commission

President Madelyn Leopold has been busy with the Madison Parks Foundation. Assistant Superintendent Kay Rutledge came to a meeting today to talk about the capital budget, which is being worked on now. Leopold explained the process of how a budget is created and how master plans get funding and are implemented.

[54971](#) Park Commission Citizen Appointment to Subcommittee of the Board of Park Commissioners

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO CONFIRM UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES 2.04, 2.05, 2.24, & 2.25. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

Superintendent of Parks

The report was given by Rutledge on behalf of Superintendent Eric Knepp. Winter Operations officially shut down last Saturday, March 9th. With warmer temperatures and rain, ice and snow could no longer be maintained. There have been several staff changes. Parks Maintenance Worker Rob Templeton and Facility Manager Tom Skaife have retired. Skaife's replacement Jon Landsverk started on Monday, March 11th. Spencer Werner is our new East Parks Operations Leadworker and January Vang is our new Financial and Administrative Services Coordinator. The Urban Forestry Task Force will finalize their report and hold a public meeting prior to sending the report to the Common Council for approval. The Vilas Park Master Plan process will begin shortly.

[54976](#) Superintendent's March 2019 Report

Operations Manager Greg Genin presented the Quarterly Operations report.

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

[55001](#) Report of the Minutes of the January 15, 2019 Olbrich Botanical Society.

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Ragland to Accept the Minutes. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to Approve by Consent Agenda No. 11, Legislative File No. 54572; No. 12, Legislative File No. 54423; No. 13, Legislative File No. 54538; No. 14, Legislative File No. 54711 and No. 20, Legislative File No. 54754 . Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[54572](#) Proclaiming the week of April 28 through May 4, 2019 as Arbor Week in the City of Madison.

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

- [54423](#) To commemorate the 49th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22, 2019, to proclaim April 27, 2019 as Earth Day Challenge Day, and to endorse and encourage citizen participation in the clean-up events at City of Madison Parks. (All ADs)
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [54538](#) Proclaiming Sunday, April 28, 2019 as International Migratory Bird Day in the City of Madison.
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [54711](#) Authorizing the execution of a Permanent Limited Easement and a Temporary Limited Easement by the City of Madison in favor of the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the granting of easements required for the reconstruction of Interstate Highway 39/90, in connection with Transportation Project Plat No. 1007-10-25 from CTH AB to USH 12/18 Interchange.
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [54754](#) Imagination Center at Reindahl Park - Temporary Trailer Installation
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to PLACE ON FILE WITHOUT PREJUDICE. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [54979](#) Request from the Epilepsy Foundation Heart of Wisconsin for the use of Vilas Park on Saturday, June 22, 2019 for Sharon's Ride.Run.Walk.
- Registered speaker Rachel Rosenfeld spoke in support.
Registered speaker Dennis Perkins of Epilepsy Foundation Heart of Wisconsin spoke in support.**
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Ragland, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.**
- [54981](#) Request from Open Doors for Refugees for the use of Olin Park on June 23, 2019 for the setup, event, and take-down for the Open Doors for Refugees Community Picnic.
- Registered speaker Efrat Livny of Open Doors for Refugees explained the event.**
- Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Washington, to Approve. Motion made by voice vote/other.**

[54982](#)

Request from Madison Gospel 5K Foundation for the use of Penn Park on Saturday, July 20, 2019 for the Madison Gospel Health Fair.

Registered speaker Daniel Sims spoke in support.

Registered speaker Uchenna Jones of Madison Gospel 5K Foundation spoke in support.

Registrant LaTanya Baldwin of Madison Gospel 5K Foundation was in support.

Motion made by Washington, seconded by Rangland to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[54991](#)

McKenna Boulevard - Park Edge - Park Ridge Flood Mitigation

Janet Schmidt and Matt Allie of City Engineering presented an overview of the project.

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

[54917](#)

SUBSTITUTE Amending the 2019 Parks Division Capital Budget and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Permanent Limited Easement for Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Purposes to Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District across a portion of Reindahl Park located at 1818 Portage Road. (17th A.D.)

Rutledge presented the item.

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

[55005](#)

Glacier Hill Park Master Plan

Parks Landscape Architect Kate Kane presented the Master Plan.

Registered speaker Dan Knoch spoke in opposition.

Registrant Diana Knoch was in opposition.

Registered speaker Jeremy Pagel spoke in opposition.

Registered speaker Andrew Goldsby spoke in opposition.

Registered speaker Arlene Haupt spoke in opposition.

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Ragland, to Approve the Master Plan and that the western part of the path not be constructed at this time.

Motion passed by the following vote:

Approve - Ald. Baldeh; Leopold; Ragland; and Washington.

Oppose - Gnam.

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Washington, to Approve the Master Plan. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[55006](#)

Northland Manor Park Master Plan

Parks Landscape Architect Kate Kane presented the Master Plan.

**Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to Approve the Master Plan.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.**

[54984](#)

Request from Brittingham Boats, LLC & Reebok for the use of Olin boat launch, park, and beach from Tuesday, July 23rd through Wednesday, August 7th. Includes new request for 2019 to rent paddlecraft and vend merchandise for the Reebok FitBarge. **Also includes request to have people in Brittingham Park until 11 PM on Saturday, August 2, for those returning from movie event on FitBarge.**

Community Services Manager Claire Oleksiak presented the request.

Registered speaker Tyler Leeper of Brittingham Boats spoke in support.

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Washington, to Approve and to change the title of this item to include the request to allow people in Brittingham Park until 11 PM on Saturday, August 2, 2019. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[54882](#)

Authorizing the City to execute an agreement with Madison Metropolitan School District to use City athletic fields, parks and facilities for recreational activities and other community programming from the years of 2019-2023.

Oleksiak presented the agreement.

Registered speaker Jacob Tissue of MMSD and MSCR spoke in support.

Motion made by Ragland, seconded by Gnam, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the FINANCE COMMITTEE. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[54977](#)

Request from Glide Disc Golf for use of the disc golf courses at Yahara Hills Golf Course on Saturday, March 16; Heistand Park on Saturday, June 22; and Elver Park on Saturday, July 20 for the 2019 Glide Disc Series. Courses will be closed to the public from 7:30am to 6:00pm for each event day.

Oleksiak presented the request.

Registered speaker Mike Batka of Glide Disc Golf spoke in support.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Baldeh, seconded by Gnam, to Adjourn at 9:39 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.