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Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

6:30 PM

Warner Park Community Recreation Center
1625 Northport Dr.

I CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at Warner Park Community Recreation Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by President Wallner. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Ald. Joseph Clausius; Ald. Mark Clear; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; Emanuel Scarbrough; and David Wallner. Parks Staff present: Eric Knepp, Kay Rutledge, Stephanie Franklin, Roberta Sladky and Joanne Austin.

City Staff present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office; Greg Fries and Carissa Nichols, City Engineering.

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Leopold, seconded by Scarbrough, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

III PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

IV DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals made by members of the Commission.

V REPORTS

A President of the Parks Commission

1 2014 Board of Park Commissioners Meeting Schedule

President Wallner mentioned that he had taken a trip to Ireland in the past month. Wallner presented the planned 2014 Park Commission meeting dates to the Board for discussion or comment.

B Superintendent of Parks

1 Written Report of Supervisor's October 2013 Activities

Assistant Superintendent Eric Knepp indicated that the mowing and park reservation season was winding down as the Division heads into the fall. Knepp indicated that the Division continues to work on the significant Capital Improvement Program. Executive Director of the Madison Parks Foundation Stephanie Franklin was introduced and gave a brief introduction of her work to the Commission. Knepp presented the monthly Report of Supervisor's Activities to the Commission for consideration.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Scarbrough, to Accept. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

C Subcommittee Reports

1 Report of Subcommittee Minutes of the May 23, 2013 Warner Park Community Recreation Center Advisory Subcommittee; the June 3, 2013 Long Range Planning Subcommittee; and the Olbrich Botanical Society meetings of March 19, April 16, June 18, July 16 and August 20, 2013.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Refer to the November 13, 2013 meeting of the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

VI PUBLIC HEARING

A Diseased and Dead Elms and Oaks on Private Property, 2013 Requiring Condemnation.

Assistant Superintendent Eric Knepp presented the list of diseased and dead elms and oaks to the Commission for consideration for declaration as public nuisances.

A motion was made by Clausius, seconded by Clear, to Recommend the attached list of diseased and dead elms and oaks be declared a public nuisance, Recommend approval of condemnation and direct City Forester to issue removal notices. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

VII NEW BUSINESS

A Starkweather Alum Treatment

Greg Fries from City Engineering presented the general conceptual plan for a potential Alum treatment channel along Starkweather Creek within Olbrich Park (north of the Garver property). The conceptual plan includes treating water from Starkweather Creek using alum. This method is being considered as a cost effective strategy to help the City meet its EPA and WDNR requirements for stormwater management. The Commissioners asked a number of questions related to how the project would work and the types of

impacts it would have on the park and the water. Fries indicated he was presenting to the Commission simply to ensure he had a general understanding of their perspective on the project prior to taking next steps. The Commission took no action on this item.

B Warner Storm Drainage Project

Greg Fries from City Engineering presented the project plan for the Warner Drainage project. The plan includes piping an area that is currently served by a ditch that has become filled with sediment. The piping project will have minimal immediate impact on the park, but will have a long term positive for storm water management in the area.

A motion was made by Clausius, seconded by Leopold, to Approve the project as presented. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

C Parks Division Proposed Fees for 2013

Assistant Superintendent Eric Knepp presented the fee schedule and discussed the structure of the fees and the slight changes from 2013. Knepp indicated that the majority of fees for shelter reservations were increased between 2-4%, which keeps pace with cost increases for maintenance. Knepp also indicated that cooperative fees set with Dane County are all recommended to remain constant for 2014.

A motion was made by Ragland, seconded by Leopold, to Return to Approve the 2014 Fee Schedule as recommended. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

D To authorize Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a two (2) year agreement with two optional one-year renewals on behalf of the City with Madison Area Radio Control Society (MARCS) for use of Kettle Field, City parkland. (AD 16)

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

E To authorize the City to enter into an agreement with Madison Metropolitan School District for the non-exclusive use of city park land for recreational programs offered by the Madison School Community Recreation. (Various AD's)

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

F Authorizing the execution of an Underground Telecommunications Line Easement to Wisconsin Bell, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin across a portion of Cypress Spray Park, located at 902 Magnolia Lane.

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

- G** Authorizing the Parks Superintendent to make recommendations to the Plan Commission on subdivision land dedication requirements for public sites and open spaces pursuant to Madison General Ordinances 16.23(8)f.

Kay Rutledge, Parks Planning and Development Manager and Eric Knepp, Assistant Parks Superintendent presented the issue to the Commission. A motion was made by Leopold, seconded by Clear, to Authorize the Parks Superintendent to make recommendations to the Plan Commission on subdivision land dedication requirements.. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

- H** Appeal to the Board of Park Commissioners by Stephen C. Schneider and Ellen R. Schneider regarding a fence on City parkland at 1513 Waunona Way.

A motion was made by Clausius, seconded by Clear, to Open the Appeal Hearing. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Kay Rutledge, Parks Planning and Development Manager and Eric Knepp, Assistant Parks Superintendent presented the issue to the Commission. Stephen C. Schneider presented on his behalf to the Commission.

The Commission indicated a desire to have Parks work with the appellant to the extent they could do so. A motion was made by Clausius, seconded by Clear, to Close the Appeal hearing and Deny the Appeal. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

VIII ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.