



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

6:30 PM

Warner Park Community Recreation Center
1625 Northport Dr.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Madison Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, October 6, 2016 at the Warner Park Community Recreation Center. President Wallner called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Ald. Samba Baldeh; Ald. Mark Clear; Nancy Ragland; and David Wallner.

Members Absent: Emily Gnam and Madelyn Leopold.

Members Excused: Jeffrey Lewis.

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Kay Rutledge; Joanne Austin; Janet Schmidt; Mike Sturm; Kate Kane; Marla Eddy; Roberta Sladky; and Laura Bauer.

City Staff Present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office; Doran Viste, City Attorney's Office; and Phil Gaebler, City Engineering.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Baldeh, to Approve the Minutes. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS

President of the Park Commission

President Wallner mentioned that members of the Board attended the beer garden tour in Milwaukee. He also highlighted the Mitchell Silver presentation on Friday as part of the Mayor's Neighborhood Conference and encouraged members to attend.

[44539](#) Citizen Appointment to Subcommittee of the Board of Park Commissioners

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Ragland, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO CONFIRM. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Emily Gnam and Madelyn Leopold arrived at 6:42 PM.

Members Present: 6 – Ald. Samba Baldeh; Ald. Mark Clear; Emily Gnam; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and David Wallner.
Members Excused: 1 – Jeffrey Lewis.

[44098](#) 2017 Board of Park Commissioners Meeting Schedule

The item was discussed and finalized.

Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent Eric Knepp provided highlights on the 2017 Executive Operating Budget that was released yesterday, including the increase to the Urban Forestry Special Charge, a portion of the Room Tax revenue being utilized by Olbrich, and there is an effort to move forward to a minimum \$15 per hour for City employees. Knepp shared pictures of the solar panel installation on top of WPCRC. Busy month, still mowing and starting to plan for winter as ice and snow are just around the corner. Winterfest moving to Elver Park, will come before the Park Commission in the future.

[44607](#) Superintendent's October 2016 Report

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

[44615](#) Report of the Subcommittee Minutes of the August 16, 2016 Olbrich Botanical Society.

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Accept the Report of the August 16, 2016 Olbrich Botanical Society Minutes. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

43500

Amending Sections 16.23(5)(h)1., 16.23(8)(f), 20.04, 20.09(3), and 20.16(5), repealing Sections 20.08(2) and (6), and recreating Section 20.08(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to recreate a combined park impact fee and update the park and open space land dedication requirements for the City of Madison.

Registered Speaker Curt Brink representing Smart Growth read a letter that was submitted by Matt Brink of Smart Growth who could not attend.

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Baldeh, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items on Consent.

43942

Public Hearing (6:45 pm)-Ordering the removal and destruction of certain trees declared to be public nuisances under MGO Sec. 23.40(4)(b) and directing the City Forester to proceed with nuisance abatement activities.

Public Hearing Opened.

Registered Speaker Thomas O'Brien of Oak Park Terrace spoke regarding the information they received.

Registered Speaker Michelle Godbout of Oak Park Terrace was available to answer questions.

Registered Speaker Rita Giovanni of Independent Living on Tennyson Lane spoke regarding the information she received.

Public Hearing Closed.

City Forester Marla Eddy stated that Forestry will work with the people on the list regarding the removals.

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

44301

Directing City Staff to remove the City-owned flagpole from the Confederate Rest Area at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Superintendent Knepp provided background on this item.

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

[44651](#)

Allied Park Master Plan

Kate Kane, Landscape Architect, presented information on the proposed park improvements and the planning process.

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

[44551](#)

Authorizing the Execution of a Cooperation and Coordination Agreement with the Olbrich Botanical Society, Inc.

Roberta Sladky, Executive Director of the Olbrich Botanical Gardens, presented information on the draft agreement. Doran Viste, Assistant City Attorney answered questions.

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

[34739](#)

Accepting the Lake Wingra Watershed Management Plan and its recommendations as developed by the City of Madison Engineering Department, Friends of Lake Wingra, Strand Associates, and other stakeholders.

Phil Gaebler, City Engineering, presented information on the plan.

Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Gnam, to RETURN TO LEAD WITH THE RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS: Parks staff shall be required as Catalyst Team Members during the planning and implementation of the recommendations in the plan; and any improvements proposed on parkland will be reviewed by Parks staff and approved by the Board of Park Commissioners. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[44427](#)

Approving temporary construction work with associate noise impacts between the hours of 7:00 PM and 7:00 AM for work associated with Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District replacement of Pump Station 15 and new restroom construction at Marshall Park, located at 2115 Allen Boulevard (AD 19)

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

[44619](#)

Proposed 2017 Parks Division Fees

Knepp presented information on the proposed changes to the Parks Division fees. Motion made by Leopold, seconded by Clear, to Approve the fees. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

[44653](#)

2017 Capital Budget Update

Assistant Parks Superintendent Kay Rutledge presented information on the 2017 Executive Capital Budget.

[44668](#)

Accepting Nominations for the 2016 Jeffrey Clay Erlanger Award

Information regarding this item was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Clear, seconded by Leopold, to Adjourn at 8:38 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.