

**City of Whitewater
Parks and Recreation Board Minutes
Monday August 26, 2013 - 4:30pm
Community Room (1st Floor)
Whitewater Municipal Building
312 W. Whitewater St. Whitewater, WI 53190**

Call to Order and Roll Call

Rachel Deporter, Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler, Bruce Parker, Teri Smith. Absent: Nate Jaeger, Kim Gosh and Jen Kaina. Staff: Matt Amundson, Deb Weberpal, and Abby Schyvinch Guests: None

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Parks and Recreation Board minutes of July 29, 2013

No items to be removed from consent agenda. Kidd moved to accept the consent agenda. Second by Smith Ayes: Kidd, Parker, Deporter, Smith and Knedler. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Gosh, Jaeger and Kaina. Motion passed.

Hearing of Citizen Comments:

No formal action will be taken during this meeting, although issues raised may become part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a 3 minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those issues as designated in the agenda.

No comments

Staff Reports:

Sports Coordinator Abby Schyvinch:

July 19-21 was the softball/ baseball tournament. All age levels in baseball finished well! Both the 12U softball teams played very competitively and finished 3rd and 4th. Overall, it was a successful season for softball and baseball. Flag Football started 8/12. First game for WYFL tackle was this past Saturday which brought out a great crowd. There's roughly 134 kids participating in tackle football. We had to drop third/ fourth grade tackle age group as not enough signed up. More kids at this age are choosing flag football. Elkhorn has joined the flag football and has doubled the number of teams. We order jerseys from NFL and all participants receive one. Four step progression to teach tackle from the NFL. Safety built into the teachings. This group of coaches is very educated on drills, safety and progressions. Now have a comprehensive program from first grade through high school. WYFL sells cookie dough to fund equipment.

Director Matt Amundson:

Groundbreaking for Treyton's Field of Dreams was well attended and a great event. Pre-construction meeting will be held Wednesday and how it will impact Starin Park. Turtle Mound Park installation will

be in October. Working on details with equipment supplier. Student volunteers may assist the Optimists.

Discussion and review of site plan, floor plan, elevations, and a rendering for the proposed pavilion at Starin Park related to Treyton's Field of Dreams

Amundson referred to the packet. Changes: Changed the orientation of the concession building. Will tie the building into the field better. The concession stand itself change: took out the room between the bathrooms. Coaches room will also have water heater, mop sink etc. to save room (more space for concessions). Parker questioned access and visibility of bathrooms. Parents can see bathrooms from field. Site work will begin in the fall with building to begin in spring. Parker moved to approve the plan. Second by Smith. Ayes: Kidd, Parker, Deporter, Smith and Knedler. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Gosh, Jaeger and Kaina. Motion passed.

Approval of request by the "Wisconsin Dream Center" to be included in facility reservation policy as a partner organization

This group is affiliated with Crosspointe Church and churches already receive 50%. Kidd: They are a 501(c)3 and using money for secular purposes. Amundson commented approving the event is appropriate, but we need to discuss if they become part of the rental groups. Kidd moved to approve the event. Second by Parker. Smith would prefer a decision on always free use or not at all. Parker questioned how much staff time for cleaning after event would be needed. Dragging of field would be needed but no other staff time would be involved. Ayes: Kidd, Parker, Deporter, and Knedler. Noes: Smith. Abstain: None. Absent: Gosh, Jaeger and Kaina. Motion passed.

Discussion and work session related to the Park & Open Space Plan / Parks & Recreation Strategic Plan

- **Background & Goals of Plan**
- **Review Existing Park & Open Space System**
- **Review Existing Park Improvement Plans**
- **Recommended Park Improvements (5, 10, & 15 Year)**
- **Goals, Objectives, & Policies**

Work session and discussion of Strategic plan.

Request for future agenda items

UFC Cravath Lakefront meeting

Adjourn

6:45 pm. Motion by Parker. Second by Smith. Affirmed by voice vote.

Next scheduled meeting:

Amundson will be sending out an email to find a date which works in September

Respectfully submitted,



Debra Weberpal