

City of Whitewater
Parks and Recreation Board
Minutes
Tuesday, October 19, 2015 - 5:30 pm
Community Room – 1st Floor, Whitewater Municipal Building
312 W. Whitewater St. Whitewater, WI 53190

Call to Order and Roll Call

Nate Jaeger, Bruce Parker, Jen Kaina (5:33), Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler and Kori Oberle.

Absent: Rachel Deporter

Staff: Matt Amundson, Deb Weberpal

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Parks and Recreation Board minutes of September 21, 2015

No items to be removed from consent agenda. Kidd moved to accept the consent agenda. Second by Parker. Ayes: Nate Jaeger, Bruce Parker, Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler and Kori Oberle. Noes: None.

Abstain: None. Absent: Jen Kaina, Rachel Deporter

Hearing of Citizen Comments:

Amundson commented on the ongoing negotiations on an agreement between the City and School District related to the Whitewater Aquatic Center and that both sides are working on a draft agreement that will be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Board in the future.

Staff Reports:

Parks & Recreation Director –

Improvement Project Status Report: Amundson referred to the update in the packet. He commented that the boat ramp is finished and a new dock will go in next spring. The engineered wood fiber has been distributed. The last weed harvest was a good one. They did 2 on Trippe Lake and 4 on Cravath. He found a possible grant and person to assist for a lake dredging study. A recent donation narrowed the gap for funding need for the FOD concession stand. He shared community comments on the bike trail way finding signs. We have a signed contract to complete the roofing project at the Armory.

Kaina Arrived

Considerations:

Discussion and possible action related to Facility Rental & Reservation Policy and specifically regarding future rentals of the Armory gym

Amundson referred to the packet. Preference is to have the space reserved for athletics. Concern is with maintaining the floor. Did research of rental income for the past four years and it was minimal. Amundson had added specific wording to the rental policy to address the issue.

Jaeger moved to accept the new wording in the rental policy concerning rental of the Armory Gym. Second by Kaina. Ayes: Nate Jaeger, Bruce Parker, Jen Kaina, Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler and Kori Oberle. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Rachel Deporter

Discussion and possible action related to Effigy Mounds Preserve signage plan

Amundson referred to the packet and gave the floor to Oberle. She explained that the 12" x 18" brass plaques for each mound would be approximately \$300 each and would be placed on boulders donated by Ken Kienbaum. Amundson thanked Oberle for her work on the project and working with the other groups. Kaina inquired about Braille on the signs. Amundson said cultural and Terrain are exempt from ADA compliance in this area. Parker moved to approve the plan as presented with the knowledge that the plaques with walking maps will be done at a later date when mound borders are established. Ayes: Nate Jaeger, Bruce Parker, Jen Kaina, Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler and Kori Oberle. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Rachel Deporter

Discussion and possible action related to Park Development Fees

Amundson referred to the packet. He commented that developers can donate land or pay park fees. Development fees should be spent within seven years of collection. Amundson would like to set the fees by looking at the five year plan for parks improvement projects included in the five year plan. He needs to do more research on fee, building permits and what other cities do/charge. Tabled until November meeting

Request for future agenda items

Adjourn

Kaina moved to adjourn at. Second by Kidd. Ayes: Nate Jaeger, Bruce Parker, Jen Kaina, Ken Kidd, Brandon Knedler and Kori Oberle. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Rachel Deporter

Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, November 10, 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Debra Weberpal