

City of Whitewater
Parks and Recreation Board Agenda
Monday, December 6, 2010 – 5:00 pm
Community Room – 2nd Floor City Municipal Building
312 Whitewater St, Whitewater WI 53190

Minutes

Call to Order

Stone called meeting to order at 5:05 pm. Present: Negley, Daniels, Knedler, Stone, Dalzin, and Kaina (5:12 pm). Absent: None. Excused: Olsen

Staff: Matt Amundson, Michelle Dujardin, and Chuck Nass

Guest: Richard Ehrenberg, Wyatt Welter and Jerald Gaches

Consent Agenda

Negley moved to accept the consent agenda which included the November 1, 2010 Parks and Recreation Board minutes. Second by Knedler. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. 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.

There were no citizen comments.

Staff Reports:

Parks & Recreation Director

- Quorum Ordinance – This changes number of votes for passing an item from four votes to a majority of those in attendance.
- Sculpture Walk Task Force- Task Force is looking to incorporate public art into projects instead of a designated sculpture walk.
- Public Meeting (Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve Restoration)-Public meeting will be held Wednesday, December 8th.
- Pepsi Refresh Grant- Submittal was taken into the Pepsi Refresh Grant, currently waiting for approval and next step.

Recreation & Community Events Programmer

- Freeze Fest & Rail Jam – February 19, 2011 the annual Freeze Fest & Polar Plunge will take place at Cravath Lakefront Park. New addition this year is a Rail Jam. The Rail Jam will bring in skiers & snowboarder that will compete for prizes as they show skills on a platform of rails. 60% of proceeds will be donated to Special Olympics.

Senior Coordinator

- One Stop Shop: Held on Saturday, November 20th. The event was very successful, good foot traffic and vendors were happy. Seniors in the Park cleared approx \$875. 7 college student volunteers helped make the event run smooth.
- Holiday Dinner: Set for December 15th at the Whitewater Country Club. Currently 62 people signed up. Entertainment will be Rock Prairie Dulcimer.

Discussion and approval of Emerald Ash Borer Plan (Urban Forestry Commission)

Nass introduced the topic and the City of Whitewater Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan. Nass stated ash trees will be marked by red marker and be mapped on the master plan. Mass cutting will not take place and no planting of ash trees will happen at this time. Dalzin motioned to approve the City of Whitewater Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan presented by Chuck Nass. Kaina seconded the motion. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. Motion passed.

Request for facility rental fee (Wisco Longboarding United)

Amundson introduced Jerald Gaches and Wyatt Welter of Wisco Longboarding United. Jerald and Wyatt stated the purpose of the concert and that 100% of proceeds would go to the Keep A Breast Foundation. Knedler motioned to waive the rental fee of the Armory for the Wisco Longboarding United group. Daniels seconded the motion. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. Motion passed.

Receipt and acknowledgement of Lake Protection Plan for Cravath and Trippe Lake

Amundson indicated a public input meeting was held on Monday, November 29th. Approximately 30 people attended the presentation by Dr. Jeff Thornton of SEWRPC that also included an opportunity for public comments on the plan. Amundson also indicated all but two attendees were supportive and there was interest in making changes. Negley motioned to acknowledge and accept receipt of the Lake Protection Plan for Cravath and Trippe Lakes as prepared by SEWRPC. Kaina seconded the motion. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. Motion passed.

Discussion and approval of recommendations identified in Lake Protection Plan

Amundson referred to memo explaining the 2011 plan implementations, 2012 Budget Inclusion/Discussion with Council, and alternatives not being considered. Board discussion took place and supported 2011 plan implementations with additional questions including; how long does it take for the lake to fill back in naturally if dredging took place?, what is the cost of construction of an island?, and what is the cost of biological control? Negley motioned to accept the 2011 implementation plans number 1 -11 with the understanding that number seven be based on further analysis from SEWRPC and Staff. Dalzin seconded the motion. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. Motion passed.

The board directed Matt to explore the 2012 Budget and report back to board with implementation recommendations.

Request for facility rental fee waiver (UW-Whitewater Homecoming Committee)

Amundson introduced request from Kim Clarksen on behalf of the UW-Whitewater Homecoming Committee for a free or reduced rental rate at the Cravath Lakefront Community Building for an event in December. Knedler motioned to deny the reduced rate and waiver of the facility rental fee. Daniels

seconded the motion. Ayes: Daniels, Negley, Knedler, Stone, Kaina, and Dalzin. Noes: None. Abstain: none. Absent: Olsen. Motion passed.

Discussion on potential Stewardship grant opportunities for 2010

Amundson introduced the topic and referred to the memo listing upcoming projects and how funding could be obtained. Amundson commented on the positive current interest on historical preservation and the importance of moving forward with those specific projects. After board discussion, the upcoming projects listed as; Moraine View Park and Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve were suggested as priorities.

Request for Future agenda

The board suggested creating a meeting time that doesn't conflict with other public meetings.

Adjourn.

Stone moved and Kaina seconded to adjourn at 6:45pm. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Dujardin

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