



Parks and Recreation Board Minutes
Wednesday, April 26– 5:30 pm
Cravath Lakefront Room
312 W. Whitewater Street
Whitewater, WI 53190
Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Kathleen Flemming, Dan Fuller, Stephanie Hicks, Megan Matthews, Ben Prather, Steve Ryan, David Stone, Deb Weberpal, Korie Oberlie absent: Mike Kilar
Staff: Eric Boettcher, Jennifer French, and Hunter Karnitz
Guests: Sherry Stanek

2. Election of Park Board Chairperson

David Stone Nominated Deb Weberpal, Deb Weberpal did not want to do it. Steve Ryan volunteered, No objections

a. Election of Park Board Vice- Chairperson

David Stone volunteered. No Objections

b. Appointment of members to Boards and Commissions- Urban Forestry: David Stone, Planning & Architecture review commission: Korie Oberlie

3. Approval of Minutes

Motioned by Deb Weberpal. Second by Megan Matthews. Ayes: Kathleen Flemming, Dan Fuller, Stephanie Hicks, Megan Matthews, Ben Prather, Steve Ryan, David Stone, Deb Weberpal, Korie Oberlie, absent: Mike Kilar

4. Staff reports

5.a. Directors Report-Lakes Management, Facilities, and Staff Updates Eric Boettcher

Lakes Management: We will be having the DNR look at lakes and take the best route to take care of some of the vegetation. Boettcher stated that they are looking at May or June for cutting cattails. To cut Cattails that permit only takes 15 days. To dredge and remove the root of the cattails that would take 30-90 days to get the permit, the permit we have might be still valid.

Make a difference day went very well. Wood chips were spread on wet spots in the dog park, new tables were put together at Cravath, Effigy mounds had great turnout and clean

Hoping to get two more picnic tables each year for Cravath until we are able to get 8 tables total.

5.b Athletic Program Coordinator

Hunter Karnitz explained that the first tournament had 22 teams from all over (northern Illinois, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Whitewater). Cold weather did not keep the spirits down and the tournament ran great.

5c. Adult Program Coordinator report

Volunteer appreciation's theme was the senior globes. was very fun even though the power went out. Volunteers enjoyed Popcorn cupcakes (not actually popcorn) walked the red carpet. Seniors in the Park's volunteers donated 2,561 hour and equivalentes to \$38,415 they donated.

5d. UFC Updates- Tree sale Review

Sherry Stanek said the tree sale was another huge success, 170 trees sold. The 17 left-over trees will be planted in arboretum.

5e. WAFC Updates

24 hr. gym access is going great 900 users March 15- April 15. Starts 30 min before close and ends 30 min after opening. Easter Egg hunt event went over very well. WAFC also hosted a day for those you are not able to afford coming to the WAFC all the time. Memberships and active members are up are up from 2022.

5. Future Agenda Items

- a. Collaboration with other events and parks and recreation department
- b. Reminder of what was requested for future agenda items on new agendas

8. Adjournment

Motion by Korie Oberlie to adjourn at 6:12 pm. Second by David Stone. Ayes: Kathleen Flemming, Dan Fuller, Stephanie Hicks, Megan Matthews, Steve Ryan, Ben Prather, Deb Weberpal, Korie Oberlie Noes: None. Abstain: Mike Kilar

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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