



Town of Menasha Parks & Recreation Department

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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 23, 2008

Park Commissioners Present: Michael Dillon, Clarence Peterson, Gerald Voigt, Debbie Swiertz, Mike Campbell (ar. 7:14)

Excused Absence: Mike Lynch

Staff Present: Director Michael Kading, Recreation Supervisor Amanda Geiser, Community Service Officer Jason Weber

Guests Present: Lee Rihm, Don Brown, Ron Lupien, Sr., John Good, Brian & Jennifer Holz, Dan Lehrer, Larry Arend, Randy Ferron, Anna and Dan Spiegel

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The Commission meeting was held at the *Fritsch Park Pavilion*, and was called to order by Chairman Dillon at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND EXPENDITURES

The Commissioners reviewed the expenditure list from July 23, 2008 in the amount of \$14,768.57 for this meeting. Commissioner Voigt motioned, seconded by Commissioner Peterson to approve the expenditures as listed. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM – Issues can only be presented, no action may be taken.

REPORTS

A. Commission

B. Director – Director Kading reported that an organized Kimberly-Clark work day will be on August 1, at CB Park.

FRITSCH PARK PUBLIC INPUT SESSION – *Facilitated by Commissioner Dillon*

- Top three issues residents would like to see addressed at Fritsch Park
 - Drainage
 - Parking lot
 - Lighting
- grass cutting done regularly
- update playground equipment
 - tennis courts
 - playhouse/climbing/fort houses
- baseball field not actively used (convert to 1-2 softball diamonds)
- A desire was expressed for adult softball and volleyball leagues
- Concession stand
- Re-hab volleyball court
- Lighting (survey and compare against benchmark)
- Park Watch/Neighborhood Watch
- Variety of Programs (maybe a movie in the park)
- Musical groups/performances
- Fix basketball court
- Resident made Commission aware of electric pole / tree conflict on east side of park (electric pole 80-25439, between 1288/1294 Goss Avenue)

- Other items viewed as strengths / weaknesses at this park

Strengths

- Park size
- Actively used (esp for soccer and lacrosse)
- Music program and dance recitals

Areas of weakness

- drainage after rainfall (drain ditches)
- lack of postings for parking lots
- shelter and kitchen facilities are sparse

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Swiertz motioned, seconded by Commissioner Voigt to adjourn the Park Commission meeting of July 23, 2008 at 7:43pm. Motion carried unanimously.

The next regular Commission meeting will be at the Community Center on August 13, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Sincerely,

Michael Dillon
Chairman - Town of Menasha Park Commission