



Town of Menasha Parks & Recreation Department

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PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

April 8, 2009

Park Commissioners Present: Michael Dillon, Mike Lynch, Judy Holtz, Clarence Peterson, Debbie Swiertz, Gerald Voigt

Excused Absence: Michael Campbell

Staff Present: Director Michael Kading, Recreation Supervisor Amanda Geiser

Guests Present: Dennis Gerhart, Dale McNamee, Joe Nemecek, Barb Knaack, Josh Woodside, Shirley Neumann, Fred Riddell

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The Commission meeting was held at the *Municipal Complex, 2000 Municipal Drive*, and was called to order by Chairman Dillon at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND EXPENDITURES

The Park Commission dispenses with the reading of, and adopts the March 11, 2009 regular meeting minutes and the March 16, 2009 Joint Town Board and Park Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Swiertz motioned to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Lynch. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commissioners reviewed the expenditure list from April 8, 2009 in the amount of \$10,066.88 for this meeting. Commissioner Lynch motioned, seconded by Commissioner Voigt to approve the expenditures as listed. Motion carried 5-1.

PUBLIC FORUM

REPORTS

A. Commission

- Commissioner Voigt expressed gratitude to the Park Staff for securing the Schildt Park property. He also mentioned the wood at CB Park (NW section of main woods) and that a Great Horned owl's nest has been spotted at CB Park.
- Commissioner Swiertz commented that the recent dance recital was very nice, with talented dancers. She recommends to others to attend the show next year.

B. Recreation - Report was reviewed and accepted as written.

C. Parks - Park Foreman's report was reviewed and accepted as written.

D. Director - The Director's report was reviewed and accepted as written.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. Establish Locations for Summer Commission Meetings: Commissioner Lynch motioned, seconded by Commissioner Voigt to accept the meeting dates/locations as presented.

B. Approve Best Friends Request - Fritse Park July 26, 2009: Commissioner Swiertz motioned, seconded by Commissioner Voigt to approve a request from Best Friends organization to have a rest station set up for their Gourmet Bike Tour. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION/PRESENTATIONS

A. Fritse Park:

- Resident Josh Woodside went through his presentation of the citizens' plans for the comfort station/boat launch.
- Commissioner Holtz posed the questions: What is the cost of borings to put building along the trestle? (\$3,000) She would prefer to see the building next to the trestle. Do you want boat parking all together or separate?
- Commissioner Peterson stated that speed bumps could be located through the driveway.
- Commissioner Lynch commented that this was a well thought out plan. The boat parking across road must be shared with cars.
- Commissioner Dillon questioned the opportunity for porous materials. He thanked Josh for taking the time and putting the thought into this plan. Commented that this has been a planning process for the last 12-18 months and he encourages people to take advantage of the meetings and voice an opinion.

B. 2008 Year-In-Review Report: Director Kading presented the information as printed. Commission Chair Dillon made one recommendation for change as noted.

COMMISSION EFFECTIVENESS WORKSHOP PHASE II - facilitated by Dale McNamee

Still waiting for some commissioners' tests/quizzes (personality-Myers/Briggs). Next time be prepared for some group exercises/projects.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Daddy-Daughter Winter Formal memo to Town Board
- Tree City 2008 confirmation
- Facility rental brochures completed
- Emerald Ash Borer found in Vernon County

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Voigt motioned, seconded by Commissioner Swiertz to adjourn the Park Commission meeting of April 8, 2009 at 7:50pm. Motion carried unanimously.

The next regular Commission meeting will be at the Community Center on May 13, 2009 at 6:30pm.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Dillon
Chairman - Town of Menasha Park Commission