

PARKS & RECREATION MEETING COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: August 10, 2010

PLACE: J.P. Coughlin Building – Volunteer Room
625 E Cty. Rd Y, Oshkosh WI
8:30 a.m..

PRESENT: Parks Committee - Jerry Finch, Mike Norton, Tom Konetzke,
Travis Swanson, Don Miller.

ALSO PRESENT: Rob Way, Vicky Redlin – Winnebago County Parks Dept., Pamela Baumann – citizen, Richard Johnston - Town of Clayton Administrator, Tim Hamblin – Dist. #10 Supervisor, Lauree Renaud & husband – Green Lake Greenways, Eileen McCoy – City of Neenah Parks & Recreation, Doug Zellmer – Oshkosh Northwestern

1. Call to order – meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Finch.
2. Approval of July 13, 2010 Minutes – moved to next meeting.
3. Public Comments – Pamela Baumann 1612 Oakview Dr. Town of Menasha spoke in opposition to the building of a dog park adjacent to her home.
4. Discussion and Action to Determine Viability of CB Dog Park Site – Jerry Finch stated that he opposes the site due to the fact that the area consists of homes and condos not rental units as was originally thought. Eileen McCoy was asked about the Arrowhead Park area that had been previously suggested for a dog park site. She stated that due to the development in the area, limited access, existing landfill and environmental issues the site was not usable. The site on the corner of Oak Ridge and Larsen Roads can't be used due to wetland designation. Rob Way asked for a consensus on whether to proceed with the CB site. An alternate entrance to the CB site would be a major expenditure, if the site is chosen to go forward. The concept of a northern dog park has been approved by the various municipalities involved but a site has not been found. Don Miller suggested checking with Bergstrom to see if there is an area of that property that could be used for a dog park. Mike Norton moved to reject the CB site for a future dog park. Don Miller seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Report on Green Lake Greenway's Interaction with the Mascoutin Valley State Trail – Rob Way introduced Lauree Renaud of Green Lake Greenways. Ms. Renaud gave a presentation of Mascoutin Valley Trail developments both completed and pending. Questions followed.
6. Approval of Multi-year Racetrack Promoter's Rental Agreement – Rob Way went over the highlighted portions of the contract enclosed in committee members' packets. Those items were the only major changes and include 3 year term, practice sessions, waterline access, and utilities. Mike Norton moved to approve the contract. Travis Swanson seconded. Mike Norton rescinded his motion to approve the contract due to a lack of correspondence from the lessee regarding the proposed changes. Don Miller moved to approve the contract. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-1. Travis Swanson opposed.
7. Parks Director's Updates: Navigational Aids Program Update – Rob Way reported that the new light for buoy 100 should be installed this week. It has been

difficult for the contractor to get to due to high water. Results are pending concerning a poker run event that took place this past month to benefit the buoy program.

8. Committee Chairman's Updates: Chairman Finch will be on vacation the next week so the vice chairman must present any parks items to the County Board at next week's meeting. Chairman Finch stated that he is working on getting former supervisor Arlene Schmuhl to present to the committee on the navigation aids ad hoc committee proceedings.
9. Committee Member's Updates: Mike Norton asked if the concept of a trail around Lake Winnebago could be studied. Travis Swanson asked for an update on the concessionaire in the park. The concessionaire idea will be pursued for next season. Tom Konetzke asked how many buoys are lighted. Thirty three.
10. Staff Updates: - Vicky Redlin passed out posters for Autumn Fest to be put up by Committee members. She also passed around a brochure for the event and noted new sponsors WOSH/WVBO, M&I Bank, and the Speed Zone. Volunteer help will again be needed if Committee members are able. The event is September 11, 2010 from 9am to 3pm.
11. Future Agenda Items: Osh-o-Nee grant, smoking exemption for park shelters
12. Next Meeting Date (to include selection of Expo tour date & time) – Expo tour August 24, 2010 meet at 8:30 a.m. at the main entrance to the Expo Building. Next regular meeting September 14, 2010 at 8:30 a.m..
13. Adjournment – Chairman Finch called for a motion to adjourn. Don Miller moved to adjourn. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned 10:23 a.m..

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