

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE & TIME: October 17, 2016 @ 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: JP Coughlin Center
Volunteer Rm.
625 E. Cty. Rd. Y
Oshkosh WI 54901

PRESENT: Parks Committee – Jerry Finch, Mike Norton, Tom Konetzke, Steve Binder. Excused - Larry Lautenschlager.

ALSO PRESENT: Vicky Redlin – Winnebago County Parks Dept.. Ben Rennert – Oshkosh Cycling Club.

1. Call to order – Chairman Finch called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m..
2. Approval of Minutes from September 19, 2016 – Tom Konetzke moved to approve the September 19 meeting minutes with a clarification and a correction. The clarification is in reference to the costs incurred by the WDNR in item #5 as nominal and not a large expense. The correction is on the last line of #6 where ‘do’ should be changed to ‘done’. Mike Norton seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
3. Public Comment Relevant to Items on the Agenda - none
4. Presentation by Oshkosh Cycling Club Regarding Waukau Dam Mountain Bike Trail Proposal and Approval of Request to Proceed with Development – Ben Rennert of Oshkosh Cycling Club was introduced. Vicky Redlin noted that this proposal has been ok’s by Steve Easterly of the WDNR who walked the proposed project area earlier this year. She also noted that Mr. Rennert is on the board of OCC and that OCC is an official Trail Ambassador having adopted the Tribal Heritage Crossing as their area of trail. They currently supply an insurance certificate for their participation in the Trail Ambassador program so should be covered for their work on this project. Mr. Rennert went over the proposed single track mountain bike trail at Waukau Dam. He explained the single track process of leaving as much area untouched as possible to preserve the natural experience. The group has experience in constructing other trails in the area, including the Aurora Medical Center trail in Oshkosh. This project would not be cost prohibitive for the County as only a few needs are anticipated which would consist of help in removing a minimal amount of trees only if necessary that are required to have a Parks staff member remove. Mike Norton moved to approve the request to begin construction of this project as proposed. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
5. Approval of 3 – Year ATM Sponsorship Agreement with Cornerstone Processing Inc. – Vicky went over the history of the sponsorship with Cornerstone. This will be the third renewal. They have worked very well with the Parks in the past. The amount of revenue averages about \$1,500.00 annually. Mike Norton moved to approve the agreement. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
6. Approval of 3 – Year Sponsorship Agreement with The Scene – Vicky explained that this will be a renewal for a third term of sponsorship with The Scene. This will be noted as the official print newspaper of the Parks. Mike Norton moved to approve the agreement. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
7. Approval of 3 – Year Sponsorship Agreement Vines & Rushes LLC – Vicky went over what has been accomplished so far with this sponsorship, the birding area along the Mascoutin, and plans for a more refined rest area at the intersection point on the trail. Mike Norton moved to approve the agreement. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

8. Approval of 3 – Year Sponsorship Agreement w/ Independent On-line Newspaper LLC - Vicky explained that this is a new sponsor who will be the official on line newspaper of the Parks. Mike Norton moved to approve the agreement. Tom Konetzke seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
9. Approval of 3 – Year Expo Rental Agreement with Oshkosh Kennel Club – Vicky explained that this is a long-time client who is taking advantage of the encouragement to have clients enter into three year agreements to preserve their calendar dates due to a large amount of demand for open dates. Steve Binder moved to approve the agreement. Mike Norton seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
10. Discussion of Topic Regarding Committee Member attendance at other Committee Meetings – Mike Norton suggested that when a Parks Committee member calls the County Clerk or the chairperson to report attendance at an upcoming meeting of another committee that he ask for the Parks Committee to be listed as a possible quorum right away instead of waiting to see if other Parks Committee members will be attending the same meeting. This would save time for everyone concerned. Chairman Finch asked committee members to consider this idea and bring it back at the next meeting.
11. Parks Director's Updates: none
12. Committee Chairman's Updates: none
13. Committee Member's Updates: Steve Binder asked about the installation of the outdoor fitness equipment and progress on any one year racing agreement. Vicky stated that the base for the fitness equipment is scheduled to be put in this fall yet with a settling time over the winter then full install in spring. There is an agreement for a one year contract in the hands of Impact Motorsports awaiting their reply. Mike Norton reported that he attended the Facilities meeting regarding the water install at the dog park. He also questioned pickle ball court use and foot golf, also noting the program that took place recently at Lasley Point by the Butte des Morts Historical Society. Mike also brought up the installation of the lights on the south end of the park and if Facilities has been approached on permitting to save money. Vicky replied that Facilities was required to approve the water install as the line is from Parkview property and the plumber is officially a Facilities staff member. She also noted that there is a large group of people who play pickle ball on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings who have submitted photos of themselves playing that were in the last issue of the parks newsletter. Vicky stated that the Lakeshore is currently running a foot golf course and that it is different from a disc golf course so it's probably that foot golf wouldn't work in the park. She did not know if Facilities has been approached on the permit issue. Tom Konetzke reiterated that the dog park group has raised the funds for the water line installation. He also asked about the delay in a reply from corporation counsel regarding questionable language on signage at events as well as Life Promotions plans for the future. Vicky explained that to her knowledge there has been no reply from corporation counsel on the language issue and that Life Promotions continues to fundraise and also has a one year contract in hand for 2017.
14. Staff Updates: Vicky reported that the park restrooms are closed for the winter. Port-o-potties have been pulled from all other areas except the dog park. The veteran's traveling wall will be on display beginning on Thursday at the expo. Benches will be going in to the dog park via an Eagle Scout project the weekend of Oct. 29.
15. Next Meeting Date and Future Agenda Items: November 21, 2016 @ 1:30 p.m. Volunteer Room of JP Coughlin.
16. Adjournment – Chairman Finch called for a motion to adjourn. Tom Konetzke moved to adjourn. Steve Binder seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned 2:40 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicky Redlin