



**TWO
RIVERS**
WISCONSIN

ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 6:00 PM

**Koska Room - Community House
1520 17th Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241**

MINUTES

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members: Daniel Cortte, Brian Gallagher, Travis Kadow, Erin Lamal, Robert Reed Jr., Jason Scharping, Dorothy Tinkham Delo, Adam Wachowski-Council Rep, Scott Stechmesser-Council Rep

PRESENT

Council Rep Adam Wachowski
Council Rep Scott Stechmesser
Brian Gallagher
Jason Scharping
Dorothy Tinkham Delo

ABSENT

Robert Reed
Erin Lamal
Travis Kadow
Daniel Cortte

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Jason Scharping, Seconded by Brian Gallagher.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Veterans - Flag Burning question - looking for alternative locations. Meeting 8/12/2024 was held with Buckley, Mathis, and Dekok and some progress has been made.

4. COMMENTS FOR THE PUBLIC (Limited to 3 minutes each)

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

Dogs at beach - while the current policies are a bit confusing, it is still covering what needs to be from a policy standpoint. Simplifying the language is not going to make the public follow the rules. More police patrolling of the beach, continued sharing of the map on Facebook could help, it was also added to the Parks & Rec website if people are googling the question.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Parks and Open Space Planning - survey & open house results.

ARB has reviewed the survey results and discussed the associated comments (attached). Unfortunately, there was no attendance at the Open House intended for community feedback. It's important to note that the Parks and Open Space Plan is a long-term initiative, and there are currently no funds allocated for its implementation. The dead trees at Washington Park will be addressed.

Motion to approve the Parks & Open Space Plan with amendment to remove the RC track at Picnic Hill was made by Dorothy Tinkham Delo, and seconded by Jason Scharping.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

None

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

A. Program and Event Updates

Website Updates - added new Community House tab with sub-sections: Fitness Center, Shelter Rentals, Facility Rentals (Behringer Room, Koska Room, Gymnasium), Open Gym, Splash Pad, Ice Skating Loop, and Farmers Market. Forestry tab has also been updated and will eventually include a link to the tree condition inventory report.

Two Rivers Water Trail Facebook page - permissions given to Mike Mathis & Joe Metzen. Parks has now absorbed those trails.

Program Updates - Completed Girls Softball, Boys Baseball, 4k Tball, & 5-6 yr old Tball detailed updates in the attached slideshow. The programs have come a long way since Kenny Shillcox took over. Great job Kenny! Other completed programs include Swimming lessons at TRHS through the Summer school program, Tennis, & Golf Camp. FREE family events "Kids Night", "Chalk it Up", "Family Night", and "Gone Fishing". It has been a very busy summer!

Event Updates - It has been a very busy summer with many events including Senior Center 70th Anniversary Party, Concerts in the Park, Downtown Friday Night Series, and Bands on the Beach, 20 regular Farmers Market Members, & 4th of July. Plus all the other events that we don't put on but have a part in including Cool River Boat Show, Latino Americano Event, Bryan Lee Day, Fish Derby, Schmitt Family Reunion, Snow fest, Scenic Shore Bike Tour, and Great Bike Giveaway. More details on everything can be found in the attached ARB slideshow.

B. Parks and Facilities Updates

Paddlers Park - There is a lot of kayaking and fishing that takes place out of this park. Some improvements that are needed would be planting native tall grasses to deter the geese, pave the kayak launch. LNRP Grant will help with the costs, and help has been offered by both EAB and Rotary. See attached ARB slideshow for details.

Zander Park - Fall improvements include a water spigot for the dog park, and possible shaded area. Nature Playground improvements have been made including a nature playground, Story walk, puppet stand, and games. Zander Park is a very wet area and native planting have been

placed in the wetland areas with some turf grass where the landscape allows. Please see ARB slideshow for pictures.

Golf Simulator - Updated Golf Simulator with Multi-Sport package hopeful to launch at end of September.

Disc Golf Course - There is a big disc golf tournament that will be coming to Manitowoc County. Explore Two Rivers funding for signage to indicate that there is a disc golf course located at Picnic Hill. Work will be done making more permanent t-boxes. We are hoping to have many volunteers to help get the course fixed this fall as well as future upkeep. There use to be a dedicated group that took care of the Disc Golf Course and trying to get that going again.

9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETINGS

None

10. NEXT MEETING

September 11, 2024 at 6pm.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Brian Gallagher, Seconded by Council Rep Scott Stechmesser.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Hooper". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Laura Hooper

Parks & Recreation Office Manager

