



Parks and Recreation Board Minutes
Wednesday, August 23, 2023 – 5:30 pm
Cravath Lakefront Room
312 W. Whitewater Street
Whitewater, WI 53190
Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Dan Fuller, Megan Matthews, Steve Ryan, David Stone, Kathleen Flemming, Stephanie Hicks, Mike Kilar, and Ben Prather, Absent: Korie Oberlie, Deb Weberpal
Staff: Jennifer French, Michelle Dujardin

2. Approval of Minutes

Motioned by Stephanie Hicks. Seconded by Steve Ryan. Ayes: Kathleen Flemming, Dan Fuller, Stephanie Hicks, Mike Kilar, Megan Matthews, Ben Prather, Steve Ryan, David Stone. Absent: Korie Oberlie, Deb Weberpal

3. Hearing of Citizen Comments

4. Staff Reports

a. Director's Report:

i. Dujardin:

* We have had many applicants apply for the Directors position

*Cattails are going to be pulled middle of October. There will be a meeting August 26 at 11:00 with the DNR about the lakes, then head down to the lake. This will be filmed.

*We have a new banner up at the Aquatic center. Looking into painting pillars, just need to wait for it to cool down and to get a lift to reach the top.

b. Event Programs:

i. Dujardin:

* We are now live streaming Thursday Concerts. 1,300 views The Palmyra Eagle Band brought 54 members came and stayed until about 10:00 pm.

*Innovation Summer Camp has ended. Afterschool will start the first day of school.

* Matthews: Is it possible to show concerts somewhere for the public to see all the time?

* Dujardin: That is definitely something to look into, and possible

*Lorelei is on maternity leave Hunter has stepped in as interim. August 25-27 the center will be shut down for a deep clean. A portion of Friday the fitness center will be closed for cleaning but open the rest of the time. The staff will be power washing floors, waxing the slide, cleaning tiles, carpet cleaning front desk area.

c. Senior Programs:

i. French:

* Annual picnic and car show are Wednesday, August 30. If you have a car or know someone that has a classic car have them call the center.

Urban Forestry Commission Updates

They will be taking a seed from the Buroak to start a new tree to replace the one that will be taken down. They will be hosting a swift night out August 28th. Watch the Swifts fly around. At the high school. Businesses are open to suggestions to help plant more native plants around town.

5. Pedestrian and Bicycle Updates

No update

6. Considerations

7a. WAFC Membership fee discussion and approval

- Looking to increase fees 3%. Fee change included in packet
 - o Stone: is this in comparison to other places around the area?
 - o Ryan: hard to compare since we are so unique, we are much lower than a YMCA which is the closest comparison to what we have
- Day passes will stay the same as they are now.
- We will get a report of drop outs due to rates increase
- Renew before November 1 you can keep the rate it is now. After you will have to pay the increase.
- Ryan: Friends of WAFC group can cover 25-75% of membership fee to those who apply. The process is confidential and a small amount of people know who gets approved.

- **Motion made** by David Stone to approve increase. Second by Dan Fuller. Ayes: Flemming, Fuller, Hicks, Kilar, Matthews, Ryan, Stone Abstain: Prather. Absent Oberlie, Weberpal

7b. Starin Park's Treyton's Field of Dreams Expansions Discussion and Approval

- Mike Kilar gave an update due to Boettcher being gone.
- Looking to expand the patio area off the side of the buildings by the bathrooms. Discussed the price difference, included in packet. Both will would build it out 10 or 12 ft from the building, 880 square foot total. It will be ADA compliant.
- Both companies have quoted to do the same thing.
- Scott Kowalski did most of the original Concrete for the building.
- This project is looking to get done sometime in the fall.

Motion made by David Stone to have Scott Kowalski Concrete, LLC do the concrete work for this project. Second Prather. Ayes: Flemming, Fuller, Hicks, Matthews, Prather, Ryan, Stone. Abstain: Kilar. Absent: Oberlie, Weberpal

7. Adjournment

Motioned by Steve Ryan to adjourn at 6:03pm. Second by Megan Matthews.

Next scheduled meeting: Wednesday September 20, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,

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