

Parks and Recreation Board Minutes
Wednesday, August 21st, 2024 – 5:30 pm
Cravath Lakefront Room
312 W. Whitewater Street
Whitewater, WI 53190
Hybrid Meeting

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Steve Ryan, Brienne Brown, Kathleen Fleming, Mike Kilar, Justin Crandall. Late Arrivals: Deb Weberpal. Absent: Stephanie Hicks, Dan Fuller, Megan Mathews Staff: Kevin Boehm, Ethan Cesarz, and Brad Marquardt.

# 2. Approval of the Meeting's Agenda

a. Motioned by Ryan. Seconded by Brown. Ayes: Flemming, Kilar, and Crandall. Absent: Hicks, Fuller, Mathews, and Weberpal.

### 3. Approval of Minutes from June 19th, 2024

a. Motioned by Ryan. Seconded by Brown. Ayes: Flemming, Kilar, and Crandall. Absent: Hicks, Fuller, Mathews, and Weberpal.

## 4. Hearing of Citizen Comments

a. No Citizen Comments

#### 5. Park Tour

- a. Cravath Lakefront Park
  - i. Repair/replace sinking bricks on all sidewalks (Safety, ADA)
  - ii. Lakes Update (Michelle)
  - iii. Improvements to Gardens Area
  - iv. Update on Dam issues (State Required)
  - v. Shade installation (Michelle)
  - vi. Purchase/Construct new Information signage
  - vii. Geese Poop
  - viii. Roof Cravath Community Building
  - ix. Roof Picnic Shelter

## b. Trippe Lake Park

- i. Updates on Dam issues (State Required)
- ii. Including walkway over dam
- iii. Playground equipment replacement
- iv. Lakes Update/Beach (Michelle)
- v. Upper Shelter updates
  - 1. Roof?

- 2. Stain or paint
- vi. Rain garden
- vii. Parking during sledding season
- viii. Retaining wall re-construction
- ix. Purchase/Construct new information signage (one with seat)
- c. Minneiska Park
  - i. Pathway
  - ii. Replace bench on path
  - iii. Playground maintenance/improvements
    - 1. Pathway into playground
    - 2. Ramp into playground
    - 3. Border
    - 4. Mulch
  - iv. Frisbee golf course connecting to Trippe Lake Park
  - v. Soccer goals for practice/pickup games
  - vi. Potential site for a pickleball court
- d. Clay Street Nature Park
  - i. Pier Replacement
  - ii. Bench installation
  - iii. Detention Pond Dredging (2005)
  - iv. Shoreline Non-Native Tree Removal
- e. Walton East Gate Park
  - i. Playground improvements/Maintenance
    - 1. Remove digger
    - 2. Re-locate spring toy
    - 3. Border
    - 4. Mulch
    - 5. Ramp into playground
  - ii. Detention Pond Dredging (2025)
  - iii. Potential site for basketball court
  - iv. Potential site for splash pad
- f. Moraine View Park
  - i. Proposed Concession Stand
  - ii. Park Improvements/Maintenance
  - iii. Detention Pond Dredging (Future)
- g. Whitewater Bark Park
  - i. Signage
  - ii. Drinking Fountain
  - iii. Shade
  - iv. Trees
  - v. Benches
  - vi. Agility Equipment

- h. Brewery Hill
  - i. Skatepark replacement/repair
- i. Starin Park
  - i. Aging shelters
    - 1. Roofing
  - ii. Replace water tower sign
  - iii. Restroom facilities
    - 1. Roof
  - iv. Senior Center Restroom replacement
  - v. Arboretum
    - 1. Lack of maintenance. Any projects moving forward anywhere in the park system, needs to have a plan for the future maintenance and care.
  - vi. Baseball/Softball complex
    - 1. Shade structure for bleachers \$39,900
    - 2. Bleacher inspections and repairs
    - 3. Turf outfield
    - 4. Replace outfield screens
    - 5. Paint dugouts
    - 6. FCCU repair scoreboard
    - 7. Concrete pad?
    - 8. Purchase aerifier for turf mainenance
    - 9. All diamonds need to be resurfaced
      - a. FCCU Absolutely
    - 10. Fence Repairs
      - a. Repair \$2,660
      - b. Add bottom rail and fence replacement \$3,190
  - vii. Reconfiguring south ballfield right field fence
- j. Skyway Park
  - i. Playground improvements/maintenance
    - 1. Border
    - 2. Ramp into mulch
    - 3. Mulch
    - 4. Remove picnic table
    - 5. Replace swing chain
  - ii. Re-locate sign
- k. Whitewater Effigy Mounds Preserve
  - i. Maintenance
- I. Optimist Turtle Mound Park
  - i. Playground maintenance
    - 1. Replace swing chain
    - 2. New seat straps on ADA Swing

- ii. Replace broken trash can
- iii. Switch out 2 large tables to 2 small tables

# 6. Future Agenda Items

- **a.** Discussion about park tour SEPTEMBER
- b. Update Special Event Application Q4
- c. Whitewater Creek Nature Preserve Planning Q4
- d. Skate Park Update/Planning Q4

# 7. Considerations/Discussions/Reports

- **a.** Mike mentioned that it isn't possible to fish near the dam in certain sports, and would like to see it cleared.
- **b.** Brad mentioned an issue with the wall along the north side Trippe Lake dam pathway.
- **c.** Mike mentioned that the Trippe Lake boat launch pier is very narrow and unstable.
- **d.** Deb pointed out that the Brewery Hill skatepark water fountain wasn't on.
- **e.** Brienne mentioned the possibility of adding a trail cam at the Brewery Hill skatepark to prevent graffiti.
- **f.** Deb brought up the idea of creating a 5-10 year strategic plan for the department.

## 8. Adjournment

a. Adjournment at 7:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethan Cesarz

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