



Board of Park Commissioners

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MINUTES OF THE 6:00 PM SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 MEETING

City Hall 2nd Floor Room 2A

Call to Order:

The Board of Park Commissioners meeting was called to order by President Esarco at 6:00 PM. (Secretary Winkler) read the roll.

1. Roll Call:

President Ann Esarco , Lynn Hassler , Barb Hartigan , Peggy Schneider , Dave Quickel , John Swanson , Mayor Al Kupsik , Brian Olsen , Alderman Doug Skates , (8 Total).

Staff & Aldermen Present:

DPW Daniel Winkler , Street Foreman Neil Waswo , Administrator Blaine Oborn .

Public Present:

Ann Brunk Peterson, Chris Schultz, Mike Kramp, Mike Coolidge, Josh Moore, and Dusti Ocampo.

2. Approve the Minutes of the Prior Meeting of July 6th.

It was moved by Commissioner Swanson to approve the minutes of the prior meeting, and seconded by Commissioner Alderman Skates. The motion passed 8-0.

3. Comments from the Public:

None.

4. Permits & Park Donations:

4a. Donation of Wind Sculptures at Flat Iron Park-Ann Brunk.

Ms. Ann Brunk Peterson gave a presentation on her park donation requesting approval of two wind sculptures flanking the new Brunk Pavilion. Commissioners Quickel, Hartigan, Skates, and Mayor Kupsik all spoke in favor of the idea. The consensus was favorable. There were multiple motions made and withdrawn but the final motion was made by Commissioner Swanson and seconded by Commissioner Hartigan to recommend to Council to accept the donation, but before going to Council, return to the Park Commission with the exact locations as determined with staff and the style and size of wind sculptures selected for final review by the Park Commission. The discussion as presented by Alderman Skates was the more complete the donation offer, the less uncertainty at the Council level.

The motion passed 8-0.

4b. Donation of Funds for Park Bench at Library Park.

It was moved by Ald. Skates and seconded by Mayor Kupsik to approve the donation offer of a bench with plaque in honor of Don Schmitz. The motion passed 8-0.

DATE 10/08/17 to 10/09/17 LOCATION Flat Iron Park USE Octoberfest

B.I.D. /Needs include use of Brunk Pavilion and a request to waive fees.

President Esarco read the permit. It was moved by Commissioner Hartigan to approve only charging the application fee, and seconded by Alderman Skate. The motion passed 8-0.

(This item needs to go to Council for approval).

DATE 09/23/16 & 09/24/16 LOCATION Library Park by the Legion Canteen

USE Rest stop for bike rides of 37 miles one day and 55 miles the other day.

President Esarco read the permit. It was moved by Mayor Kupsik to approve, and seconded by Alderman Skates. The issue of the Hope Walk being in possible conflict was discussed. But the location and little number of bikes making the rest stop wasn't seen as a problem. The motion passed 8-0.

(This item needs to go to Council for approval).

5. Discussion on Park Assignments/Repairs Update/Maintenance:

Commissioner Hartigan said she goes down to the dog park daily and is pleased with its condition.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Discussion on Pickle Ball Court – presented by Mike Kramp, YMCA (taken out of order first, Skates, Hartigan, 8-0)

Mr. Kramp of the YMCA brought up the matter of trying to site locations for pickle ball courts which has gained popularity and is being played in the main gym. Locations discussed included the old skate park pad which would require an asphalt layer, coating and striping for up to \$30,000; the basketball courts in Veterans Park, and City tennis courts. There were Commission issues with striping the new tennis courts, and the YMCA wished to do something this fall and not wait for the old skate park to be repaved. By consensus the YMCA was given direction to stripe the basketball courts to see what the interest level was.

b) Update from YMCA: Baseball/Softball Program, Fall 2016 Plans, Park and YMCA Program Improvement – presented by Mike Coolidge, YMCA (taken out of order 2nd, Skates, Kupsik, 8-0).

Mr. Coolidge provided his end of the year participant report as well as his wish list of improvements. The numbers reported were: 462 kid's softball/baseball, 170 kid's soccer, 18 kid's lacrosse. The wish list included: finishing field #5 infield, foul ball netting at the main fields, foul line chain link fencing 8' high as it is currently 4', and make the unfenced infields larger and light them. Mr. Coolidge was asked to obtain pricing for the netting.

c) Discussion on Disc Golf with Josh Moore

Mr. Moore attended to inquire about his concerns for the condition of the bridges and some warning signs in select locations for people out for a walk on the asphalt trails. The condition of the bridges was acknowledged as an unfunded concern to the Committee which we need to address in the next year. Mr. Moore was asked to provide his recommended locations for signage and the DPW would check into pricing.

d) Never Say Never Play Land at Veterans Park – Dusti Ocampo

Ms. Ocampo appeared to present an update on the site plan for the accessible play equipment project. The design called for changes which sparked a series of discussions and several questions. The new design removed the existing modular play equipment on both sides of the trail as well as the open shelter adjacent to the project and incorporation of the space into the new plan. She also wished to take in another 2,000 square feet into the design. After discussing the priority need for an open shelter by Molitor field and the continued need for the existing play equipment if it is replaced with new at the donor/fundraiser cost, the consensus was to allow the changes to the design. It was then moved by Mayor Kupsik and seconded by Commissioner Quickel to approve the additional 2,000 square feet to the north of the approved area, the existing pavilion stays or is located close to Molitor Field at a location acceptable to the City, it would be useful to shift the east boundary of the layout toward the west as possible, and the existing playground on both sides of the bike trail is fair game to be removed and incorporated into the proposed facility at the donor's cost. The motion passed 8-0.

e) Hillmoor Heights Park Annexation

DPW Winkler explained the history of how the City acquired the property with a park grant and it includes platted roads which are in the town. Alderman Skates wished to annex it which gives the City the flexibility to improve the park as we see fit in the future. Mr. Oborn said the City as owner can take it by direct annexation. It was moved by Alderman Skates to recommend to Council to annex the property. The motion was seconded by Mayor Kupsik and was approved on an 8-0 vote.

(This item needs to go to Council for approval).

f) Manning Way design Options

DPW Winkler included a GIS aerial as well as photographs of the site. He recommended that if play equipment was to be installed that it be located in the open lot in front of the woods. Alderman Skates noted the subdivision is filling up with buildouts and now is the time to plan the improvements. He would like to see a meeting with the neighbors to build a consensus for what to place there. It was moved by Ald. Skates and seconded by Mayor Kupsik to propose capital funding of \$30,000 to apply to the project, with \$15,000 to come from the park fund. The motion passed 8-0.

g) **Flat Iron Ordinance** (This item was removed from the agenda).

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. Future Meeting Agenda Items-October 5, 2016 Meeting.

- Manning Way Park.
- Bike Path Study with VandeWalle.
- Pickle Ball Court Location.
- Brunk Wind Sculptures Update.

9. ADJOURN:

It was moved by Ald. Skates and seconded by Commissioner Hartigan to adjourn. The motion passed 8-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM.

Set Next Meeting Date:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2016 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted and All the Best,

Daniel S. Winkler
Secretary

If anyone finds any inaccuracies, errors or needs to adjust the minutes please call or email me by next Wednesday)