

**City of Lake Geneva
Board of Park Commissioners - Meeting Minutes
March 30, 2011**

Meeting was called to order by President Skates at 6:30 p.m.

Members present:

Doug Skates, Dave Quickel, John Swanson, Barb Phillips-Hartigan, and Mayor Jim Connors.

Members absent: Ald. Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Lynn Hassler (excused), Pat Schroeder.

Also present: DPW Daniel Winkler and several skateboard youth.

Public Input:

President Skates and DPW Winkler discussed the evaluation sheet and each Commissioner provided their comments as did the skateboarding group. Those submitting their review sheet included 3 skateboarders, Winkler, Skates, Swanson, and Philips. Mayor Connors, Schroeder, Hassler, and Quickel will hopefully provide their sheets before next Wednesday. President Skates also read an email from Hassler ranking ARC the highest.

Individual comments regarding the project included Commissioner Swanson who liked ARC's pre-cast ramp design and Spohn's ramps seemed similar to ARC; Philips liked the ARC pre-cast also and would like to meet with ARC and Spohn; President Skates liked ARC's warranty, Spohn's proposal, not the 20% soft costs of Gridline, and not the lack of Midwest projects with Who Skates; Mayor Connors noted the favorable average cost of Who Skates utilizing cast-in-place ramps and had a concern with the negative information out there with ARC that may need to be discussed, and believed phone calls and site visits are appropriate for as many of the proposers as we can get to; and DPW Winkler commented both ARC and Spohn were similar builders with similar capabilities but that ARC has many more parks in the area around Lake Geneva than all the others, ARC offered to set a temporary facility for skateboarders while the new one is being built, noted 4% to 7% soft costs for Spohn, and that if we went with Who Skates they recommend against both wood ramps and pre-cast, Who Skates also touts the lowest built cost. The skateboarders present were split with ARC and Spohn Ranch leading the way.

It was restated that not all Commissioners had completed their forms, and President Skates asked those present and hoped those absent would provide their rankings to Mr. Winkler before next Wednesday. Doing so would allow us to develop the totals so the matter could be pursued further next week. He also said that at this point we shouldn't rule out anybody until all the evaluations are completed and tallied. The overall consensus was to try to visit sites and have Mr. Winkler report on the phone contacts to other park owners being made by his office. Other park business for next week included discussion of the new proposed pavilion at Flat Iron Park and any park permits.

Next Meeting: The next meeting would be the regular meeting of April 6th at 6:30 PM.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned 5-0 at 8:15 PM on a motion by Connors and second by Philipps-Hartigan.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel S. Winkler

Daniel S. Winkler, P.E.
Director of Public Works & Utilities

(Note: If anyone has any questions or clarifications regarding these minutes, please contact me within the next week and I will offer amended minutes.)