



**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2019 AT 6:30PM  
CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 2AL**

Members: President Esarco, Mayor Hartz, Alderman Straube, Commissioners: Brian Olsen, David Quickel, Barbara Phillipps, Peggy Schneider, Obdulia Alvarez, Meaghen Van Dyke,

President Esarco called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**Roll Call**

Present: President Esarco, Mayor Hartz, Alderman Straube, Commissioners: David Quickel, Barbara Phillipps, Peggy Schneider, Meaghen Van Dyke

Absent: Obdulia Alvarez, Brian Olsen,

Approve Board of Park Commissioner meeting minutes of October 23, 2019 as prepared and distributed - There are no minutes from the November meeting which lacked a quorum

Motion to Approve: VanDyke Second: Quickel

No discussion. Motion carried 7-0

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. SS19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes

Charlene Klein 817 Wisconsin Street – Questioned whether the Commission followed up with Tricia Schaefer about her questions from a previous meeting tree plaques and signature bricks.

Acceptance of Board of Park Commissions Funds/Impact Fees Reports

Motion to Approve: Hartz Second: Phillipps

Discussion about funds and impact fees. Motion carried 7-0

**Recurring Business**

Review of parks events calendar (off season, no report expected)

Discussion about events. No action taken.

Waswo reported on some upcoming events including a number of weddings and such

Motion to suspend the rules and hear Grant applications – status report now followed by Concession Stand Leases out of order

Motion to Approve: Hartz Second: Straube

Motion carried 7-0

Grant applications – status report (review email)

Jackie Mich presented the options available to the commission

Discussion about which grants will apply to design and construction of a bike path on South Boulevard. Timing is an issue and a schedule was developed to complete the application by the deadline. The application due date is January 24, 2020. The grant is a 80% - 20% split with the State providing the 80% and the City is to provide 20%.

Motion to Approve recommending that the City pursue a TAP grant to design and build a bike path on South Boulevard from the State Park to South Lake Shore Drive: Straube Second: Quickel  
Esarco called the question.

Motion carried 7-0.

#### Concession stand leases

Discussion with current lessee Rodella Inc regarding the lease for the Concession Stand at Veterans Park.

Motion to renew the lease with the current lessee Rodella Inc into the 2020 season: Phillipps  
Second: Quickel

Additional discussion ensued about tournaments and their relationship with concessions.

Alderman Flower suggested that whoever rented the fields should manage the concession stand at their events.

Motion by Esarco to end debate. Second by Mayor. Motion carried 7-0

Motion to renew the lease carried 7-0

#### Review of YMCA activity at Veterans Park (off season, no report expected)

No Report

#### Update on conditions of parks from city staff or park board members

Neil Waswo presented the Department of Public Works progress on park maintenance. The Mayor suggested that Foremost Electric was interested in helping with electrical work in any of our parks gratis. Neil will call.

### **New Business**

#### Aldermanic Requests

None received

#### Park Fees specific to series of games/leagues

Esarco recommended that we develop affordable fees for games and leagues – make them consistent. We need to set the fees that encourages park use. An applicant has asked for 15 weeks at \$1,500 from Monday through Thursday. As part of our consideration we should determine who maintain the fields, mark the lines, what are the age groups, how many players there are, who supplies the referees. Hartz moved to continue this item to the next meeting. Phillipps second. Motion carried 7-0.

#### Presentation from Leadership Dynamic group - Badger High School

No report

#### Discussion of City Ordinance Chapter 54, Title III

Hartz presented Ordinance Chapter 54, Title III outlining the responsibilities of the Board of Park Commissioners. The discussion centered on reviewing applications for sports vs social events. Motion to approve the Board of Park Commissioners reviewing and approving/denying sporting events/activities in any park per the ordinance: Hartz Second: Schneider  
Motion carried 7-0

#### Bicycle rack donation from TreadHead Cycling

No report, no action

**Business Carried Forward**

Advertisement boards at Veterans Park

Continue

Native plantings – Convention of Nursery Men and Women

Continue

**Future meeting agenda items**

Motion to adjourn: Phillipps Second: Schneider

Motion carried 7-0

**The Meeting is Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.**