



Board of Park Commissioners

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MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 5, 2012

Call to Order:

The Board of Park Commissioners meeting was called to order by President Skates at 6:03 PM. DPW Dan Winkler read the roll.

Roll Call:

President Doug Skates , Lynn Hassler , Barb Hartigan _____,
Rick Steinberg , Peggy Schneider , Dave Quickel LATE, John Swanson ,
Ald. Al Kupsik , Mayor Jim Connors . (7 total until Quickel arrived, then 8 total).

Staff & Aldermen Present:

DPW Daniel Winkler , Street Superintendent Ron Carstensen _____,
Administrator Dennis Jordan , Police Chief Mike Rasmussen .

Public Present:

George Hennerley, Chris Schultz, Mike Ploch, Mike Coolidge.

Approve the Minutes of the Prior Meeting:

It was moved by _____ Steinberg to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2012 Meeting, seconded by _____ Mayor Connors. The motion passed 7-0.

It was moved by _____ Ald. Kupsik to approve the minutes of the Joint Board/Committee Meeting of August 23, 2012, seconded by _____ Hassler. The motion passed 7-0.

Public Input:

None.

Park Permits/Park Donations

October 6, 2012, Flat Iron Park, 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM, Chamber of Commerce (George Hennerley), no alcoholic beverages, no special needs, to park scooters in the park. The concerns were for the timing with Oktoberfest and location within the park to accommodate 100 to 250 scooters. It was moved by Kupsik to approve the request contingent upon parking on the north side of the park and payment of the \$105 park fee. The motion was seconded by Hassler and approved 7-0.

September 29, 2012, Veterans Park, 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM, Jaycees, no special needs, for punt, pass and kick contest. It was moved by President Skates to approve, seconded by Mayor Connors, passed 7-0.

Park Assignments/Repair Update:

Commissioner Hassler noted that the Tot Lot play equipment was tired and in need of painting and/or replacement. Commissioner Swanson commented the park system looked great this summer, Veterans Park needed parking lot timbers, basketball court goal reworking, and a shadow box on the ball fields building for schedules and notices.

Park Budget:

DPW Winkler discussed the differences between the parks general and Veterans Park operating budgets and capital budgets. The Commission was interested in the Capital budget opportunities and the item will be placed on next month's agenda for further discussion. The only apparent funding for projects would come from TIF and the old and new park impact fee accounts. Administrator Jordan was going to confirm balances for the next meeting.

Possible project items include but are not limited to (Commissioners may wish to rank in order of importance for the next meeting):

____ Tot Lot play equipment, ____ Skate Park benches, ____ Dunn Field restroom/concession building rehabilitation, ____ Fermano Park benches on concrete pads, ____ Flat Iron Park stage, bandshell or portable bandshell, ____ Dog Park, ____ Skate Park security system and warning signage, ____ Veterans Park shadow box or boxes, ____ Veterans Park scoreboards, ____ Veterans Park batting cage or cages, ____ Skate Park drinking fountain, ____ Veterans Park Softball Field #5 lighting.

New Business:

YMCA Seasonal Update/Progress-Mike/Sherry (Item moved up in agenda by consensus)

Mr. Coolidge provided a 2010 – 2012 update on activities and programs at Veterans Park. He also provided a wish list of items the YMCA would like to see as well as new possible programming (co-ed softball and kickball). Mr. Ploch explained the YMCA is the focal point in the greater community for recreational activity and the challenge is to provide programs at an affordable price to everyone. Mayor Connors asked about the soccer fields and the thinking is to rotate out a field next year.

Dog Park Project Discussion

President Skates would like everyone to think about continuing the discussion on moving forward with the park including location. Hassler provided a handout from Des Plaines, IL and their efforts regarding their dog park development process.

Skate Park Security Camera Discussion

Chief Rasmussen was present to discuss security monitoring and any problems there may have been to date at the park. Administrator Jordan said the City is considering 2 security cameras with domes so people cannot tell which way they are facing. Swanson said there were hundreds of kids at the park but that he was concerned about the gatherings in the parking lot, that these people did not appear to be skate park users. Quickel shared that he heard negative feedback from some of the local non-residents about things happening around the park.

Old Business:

Veterans Park Scoreboard Discussion

Administrator Jordan said he is still soliciting sponsorships for scoreboards and there is interest but no committed donors as yet.

Disposition of the Old Skate Park Discussion

Quickel expressed displeasure at the vandalism to the old equipment. Winkler explained it was more theft of 3 pieces of skatelite from the ramps than vandalism, but that he and President Skates were very displeased about the situation also. Skates said he contacted the users in an effort to get the product back but with no luck. He said he would ask Mr. Harris to post it on Facebook. Jordan said Twin Lakes has opted out of the purchase and he is working with Covenant Harbor to get the equipment out ASAP. He reported it will be moving out by September 24th. By consensus, the Commission wished to see the old park disassembled and removed at the earliest possible date.

Adjourn:

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at __ 8:03 __ PM on a motion by __ Hassler __ and second by __ Ald. Kupsik __. The motion passed __ 8-0 __ and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting-October 3,, 2012 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel S. Winkler

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Park Commission Secretary
& Director of Public Works & Utilities
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(If anyone finds any inaccuracies, errors or needs to adjust the minutes please call or email me prior to the next meeting.)