



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Park, Recreation and Cultural Services

*Chairman Robert Hayes, Alderman Aron Wisneski  
Alderman Terry McCarthy, Darryl Carter, Joey LeGath  
Michael Frontier, Amanda DeSonia  
Pamala Handrow, Ken Lumpkin*

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Wednesday, September 8, 2010

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

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### Call To Order

*Chairman Hayes called the meeting to order at 5:17 PM.*

*Staff present: Donnie Snow, Tom Molbeck, Sherri Ruud*

*Guest: Dick Hinsman, Friends of Seniors*

**PRESENT:** 8 - Darryl Carter, Joey LeGath, Amanda DeSonia, Pamala Handrow, Robert Hayes, Terry McCarthy, Michael Frontier and Ken Lumpkin

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Aron Wisneski

### Approval of Minutes for the August 18, 2010 Meeting

**A motion was made by Pamala Handrow, seconded by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, to Approve the Minutes. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

### Public Input

*No Public Input*

### Director's Report

*Director Snow advised the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services' 2011 budget was submitted to the Finance Department and ultimately to the Mayor for review and consideration. There are no expectations to increase the 2011 budget, so operating line items were reviewed and adjusted to cover inflationary cost increases. A copy of the 2011 budget and proposed fee schedule were provided to the Committee for their review.*

*2010 was a very successful beach season. Zoo Beach had only one closure and three advisories; North Beach had no closures and only one advisory. This year's one advisory at North Beach tied the record for the best beach season.*

*There was discussion of the installation of the kiosk at the boat launch to collect launch fees. After expenses are charged to the revenue account, the net revenue will be split with the Harbor Commission.*

*The Mayor's Back to School Stay in School Fest was held on Monday August 23 at Festival Hall. With the assistance of SC Johnson, and numerous other donations, the event progressed from distributing 1,000 backpacks to 3,000 backpacks.*

*The City Softball Tournament was held the first two weekends in August. A total of 37 teams participated.*

*The Main Gallery Chair-i-ties Auction was held on Saturday, August 7 at Monument Square. The event generated over \$4,000.*

*DeSonia inquired about the Lockwood Tennis courts repainting. Snow advised that during a pre-bid meeting, the contractors advised they would not stand behind their work as in their opinion the coating system would not last. The manufacturer's area manager is reviewing alternatives.*

*DeSonia advised that many people have expressed their appreciation for the beach matting at North Beach and was wondering if there were plans to expand the matting where it ends. Snow indicated staff may look into expanding this area; however, another grant would need to be written.*

*Carter inquired about the ACCESS Point Sessions. Molbeck stated three community centers will have trained volunteer staff on hand to assist job seekers with searching and applying for jobs, writing resumes, the interview process, and basic computer skills. By having the sessions at three community centers, it will assist more people within the community seek employment.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, seconded by Darryl Carter, that The Report be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

## **Zoological Society Report**

**A motion was made by Michael Frontier, seconded by Pamala Handrow, that The Report be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

### **Ord.14-10**

Ord. 14-10

To amend Sec. 70-90(d) of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services - Parks and Recreation Areas; Animals Prohibited.

The Common Council of the City of Racine do ordain as follows:

#### Part 1:

Sec. 70-90(d) of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine is hereby amended by adding the following at the end of the section:

“(3) Root River and Lake Michigan Pathway, 10’ paved area only, in respective parks.”

#### Part 2:

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and the day after publication.

Passed by the Common Council:

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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City Clerk

Fiscal Note: N/A

**Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 8-18-10:** Defer.

**Fiscal note:** N/A.

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

*Snow advised the City Attorney is still in the process of drafting alternate language to Ordinance 14-10.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, seconded by Michael Frontier, that this be Deferred. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

10-5258

**Subject:** Communication from Claudius A. Adebayo of OIC requesting the City donate or sell at a nominal fee, the parcel of land located at 2138 N. Wisconsin Street (parcel no. 04754000).

**Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 7-14-10:** To defer this item, and invite the Director of the Zoo to appear at the next meeting to express their interest in the parcel.

**Fiscal note:** N/A.

**Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 8-18-10:** To defer to the next meeting.

**Fiscal note:** N/A.

*Snow advised this item remained on the agenda from last month's meeting as the original motion failed due to lack of a majority, and no other motion followed.*

*There was discussion that there is limited parking for the Zoo, and if the property at N. Wisconsin is donated or sold to OIC, existing parkland at Lakeview may be used to create parking in its place. At last month's meeting, Claudius A. Adebayo of OIC*

*and Jay Christie of the Zoo were going to meet at a later time and determine how they could work together to make best use of the parcel.*

**A motion was made by Ken Lumpkin, seconded by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, that this be Deferred to the next meeting, and advised the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to communicate the results of the September 8 meeting to the OIC and the Zoo. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**10-5485**

**Subject:** Communication from Annmarie G. Klyzub requesting a ban on smoking in City parks.

*Snow advised Annmarie Klyzub was invited to tonight's meeting, but was not in attendance. She had stated there was no smoking allowed at Haban Park; however, Haban Park has recently been told to remove all their non-smoking signs at the park, as there is no ordinance in Racine County banning smoking in parks. Haban is primarily used as a youth facility, where Racine Parks are used by all. A smoking ordinance could be enacted; however, there is then the issue of enforcement.*

*Several members expressed concern with smoking around children, and agreed that some smokers are not considerate.*

**A motion was made by Michael Frontier, seconded by Darryl Carter, that this be Deferred, and staff to provide examples of smoking bans in parks from other communities. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**10-5501**

**Subject:** Communication from Ald. David L. Maack regarding Senior Center Parking only during designated times at Lakeview.

*Dick Hinsman appeared on behalf of the Friends of Seniors. He advised there is a small sign at Lakeview that states Senior Parking only until 2:30; however, it cannot be enforced, as there is no ordinance in place.*

*Snow advised there are extra marked handicapped parking spaces in the Lakeview lot which were placed there in anticipation of seniors with special needs. While the Friends of Seniors leases the Lakeview building, the parking lot is a public facility.*

**A motion was made by Ken Lumpkin, seconded by Pamala Handrow, that this be Deferred until a review by the City Attorney. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.**

**Miscellaneous**

*Ald. McCarthy asked about reports that there were no carry-ins of water allowed at Horlick Field. Molbeck advised players are allowed to bring in water, and teams are allowed to bring in coolers for their use. Snow advised it was inaccurately reported that the water fountain was turned off; it has been left on.*

*Frontier expressed his appreciation of City Forester Chuck Klimek's work in the past and wished him a happy retirement.*

*Frontier also asked if a parking study had ever been considered for the Zoo.*

**Adjournment**

*There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.*

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