



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Board of Park, Recreation and Cultural Services

Chairman Kristen Kaprelian
Vice Chairman Christina Mueller
Alderman Mary Land
Alderman Jason Meekma
Amy Schaal
Keith Hemmig
Roy Carter
Cathi DeGroot
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

Call To Order

Chair Kaprelian called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Guests Present: Beth Heidorn, Laurie Kobor & Nancy Carlson

Staff Present: Tom Molbeck, Mike Willis & Jena Kohlman

Christina Mueller left the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

PRESENT: 7 - Kristen Kaprelian, Christina Mueller, Mary Land, Jason Meekma, Keith Hemmig, Roy Carter and Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

EXCUSED: 2 - Amy Schaal and Cathi DeGroot

Approval of the November 9, 2016 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Kaprelian-Becker, seconded by Hemmig to approve the meeting minutes. The motion **PASSED** by voice vote. Unanimous.

Public Input

No public input.

[1069-16](#)

Subject: Zoological Report

Attachments: [Zoological Report December 2016](#)

Heidorn spoke on the report.

A motion was made by Hemmig, seconded by Land to receive and file the report. The motion **PASSED** by voice vote. Unanimous.

[1068-16](#)

Subject: Director's Report

Attachments: [Director's Report December 2016](#)

Molbeck spoke on the report.

A motion was made by Hemmig, seconded by Kaprelian to receive and file the report. The motion PASSED by voice vote. Unanimous.

Approval of the Cemetery Commissioner's November 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Hemmig seconded by Meekma to approve the meeting minutes. The motion PASSED by voice vote. Unanimous.

[1034-16](#)

Subject: Communication from Melissa Kaprelian-Becker and Nancy Carlson, 5th District residents, requesting tick awareness signs at the beach and other highly infested and popular parks.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 12/14/16: Defer

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [Tick Awareness Signs Request](#)

Kaprelian-Becker spoke on the request explaining the importance to bringing awareness to the public.

Kobor provided a Wisconsin Division of Public Health Lyme disease fact sheet and an EPHT Surveillance Brief outlining Lyme disease trends in Wisconsin.

Carlson spoke on personal experiences with ticks and Lyme disease.

Discussion ensued regarding the specifications of the signs, the posting locations, funding, other forms of education, etc.

Meekma indicated a lot of information was being provided regarding Lyme disease demonstrating the importance of tick awareness; though a plan to implement the request had not been presented. He suggested a detailed plan be put together to be presented to the board for consideration.

A motion was made by Meekma, seconded by Hemmig to direct Kaprelian-Becker and Carlson to create a detailed plan with the assistance of PRCS staff to be presented to the board for consideration. The motion PASSED by voice vote. Unanimous.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.