



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, Daryl Carter, Joey LeGath
Michael Frontier, Amanda DeSonia
Pamala Handrow, Ken Lumpkin, Kristen Kaprelian*

Wednesday, March 9, 2011

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

Call To Order

Chairman Hayes called the meeting to order at 5:18 PM.

Staff present: Jack Schumann, Tom Molbeck, Sherri Ruud

PRESENT: 8 - Amanda DeSonia, Pamala Handrow, Aron Wisneski, Robert Hayes, Terry McCarthy, Michael Frontier, Ken Lumpkin and Kristen Kaprelian

ABSENT: 1 - Daryl Carter

EXCUSED: 1 - Joey LeGath

Approval of Minutes for the February 9, 2011 Meeting

A motion was made by Pamala Handrow, seconded by Aron Wisneski, to Approve the Minutes. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Director's Report

A motion was made by Michael Frontier, seconded by Aron Wisneski, to Receive and File the Report. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

Minutes of the February 21, 2011 Board of Cemetery Commissioners

A motion was made by Pamala Handrow, seconded by Kristen Kaprelian, to Receive and File the Minutes. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

Zoological Society Report

A motion was made by Aron Wisneski, seconded by Kristen Kaprelian, to Receive and File the Report. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

[11-6076](#)

Subject: [Direct Referral] Park Pride Committee Discussion

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on 3/9/11: Defer

Fiscal note: N/A

Alderman McCarthy spoke on behalf of the Mayor's Park Pride Advisory Committee. The following members were in attendance:

- Alderman Terry McCarthy
- Kristen Kaprelian
- Ellen Cardwell
- Chris Flynn
- Kay Gregor

Ald. McCarthy advised that the Park Pride Advisory Committee was formed by the Mayor to improve upon and increase participation at our parks. Five sub groups have been formed to better focus their attention. For example, Ald. McCarthy's sub group will be focusing on communication and surveying the public. They are working with UW Parkside on developing a survey of the public's desires for parks and recreation.

Kristen Kaprelian read the goals of the five sub groups:

- 1) *Improve communication among Parks and Recreation and Cultural Services Department and its stakeholders*
- 2) *Maximize creative, innovative and interesting use of natural resources, facilities, infrastructure and programs*
- 3) *Develop and deepen partnerships with public agencies, service clubs, businesses, nonprofits and educational institutions.*
- 4) *Diversify funding for sustainability*
- 5) *Engage community members to take ownership in parks and programs.*

Ald. Wisneski indicated he thought it was encouraging that there were members of the community who were interested in improving our parks, and stated the importance of keeping staff informed of Park Pride's activities and plans. It was advised Tom Molbeck and/or Donnie Snow have been in attendance at the meetings.

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

[11-6129](#)

Subject: Communication from the Manager of Parks requesting the creation of a Golf Course Liaison Committee.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 3/9/11: Approve the creation of a Golf Course Liaison Committee per the attached recommended Resolution.

Fiscal note: N/A

Jack Schumann advised the Board that at the creation of the Golf Liaison committee was recommended by the PRCS Board at its January 12, 2011 meeting, and further approved by Council.

Resolution language was distributed to the Board. The Mayor would appoint two

citizens, an alderman, one staff, and one member of the golf course management firm. It is anticipated they would meet quarterly or as needed.

A motion was made by Aron Wisneski, seconded by Pamala Handrow, to Recommend for Approval the creation of a Golf Course Liaison Committee per the attached recommended Resolution. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

[11-6149](#)

Subject: [Direct Referral] City of Racine Park and Open Space Plan Update

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on 3/9/11: Defer

Fiscal note: N/A

Jack Schumann advised that every five years, SEWRPC performs a park and open space plan for the City. This plan is required when applying for grant monies, such as the North Beach matting, Wisconsin Coastal Management, and the Pershing Park Boat Launch grants that were awarded in the past.

The first chapter of the study was distributed to the Board for their review.

At the April, 2011 PRCS meeting, a representative of SEWRPC will be in attendance to answer any questions the Board may have.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, seconded by Kristen Kaprelian, 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). (Res.10-2288)

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.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 9-8-10: To defer to the next meeting.

Fiscal note: N/A.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 11-17-10: To approve the OIC's request that the City donate or sell at a nominal fee, the parcel of land located at 2138 N. Wisconsin Street (parcel no. 04754000), contingent upon the OIC receiving their grant to build homes on the property, and, further, receiving approval from the Zoological Society Board.

Fiscal note: To be determined

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 1-12-11: To defer to the next meeting.

Fiscal note: N/A

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 2-9-11: To reconfirm the November 17, 2010 recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to approve the OIC's request that the City donate or sell at a nominal fee, the parcel of land located at 2138 N. Wisconsin Street (parcel no. 04754000), contingent upon the OIC receiving their grant to build homes on the property, and, further, receiving approval from the Zoological Society Board. In addition, that this item be returned to the Board of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services for final approval after the next meeting of the Zoological Society Board.

Fiscal note: To be determined

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 3-9-11: To Receive and File the communication and Resolution 10-2288 be received and filed.

Fiscal note: N/A

A motion was made by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, seconded by Kristen Kaprelian, that this be Recommended to be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

[Res.10-2288](#)

Approval granted for City to donate or sell at a nominal fee to OIC parcel of land located at 2138 N. Wisconsin Street, contingent upon OIC receiving grant to build homes and Zoological Society Board's approval

Resolved, that OIC's request that the City donate or sell at a nominal fee,

the parcel of land located at 2138 N. Wisconsin Street (parcel no. 04754000) be approved, contingent upon the OIC receiving their grant to build homes on the property, and receiving approval from the Zoological Society Board.

FISCAL NOTE: To be determined.

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

A motion was made by Vice Chair Terry McCarthy, seconded by Kristen Kaprelian, that this be Recommended to be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Miscellaneous

Tom Molbeck advised the Spring/Summer program book has been printed and distributed to approximately 25 different sites. It is also available online at the City of Racine website. Flyers geared toward Youth programs will be distributed to the schools soon.

Mike Frontier commended Staff for the appearance and the content of the Program Book.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 13

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