



# City of Racine

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

*Chairman Robert Hayes, Alderman Aron Wisneski, Alderman Terry McCarthy, Kelli Stein,  
Darryl Carter, Joey LeGath, Gaynell Dyess, Don Nielsen, Michael Frontier, Debbi Embry,  
Amanda DeSonia*

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Wednesday, June 11, 2008

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

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REVISED

Call to Order

**PRESENT:** 6 - Kelli Stein, Darryl Carter, Joey LeGath, Amanda DeSonia, Gaynell Dyess  
and Aron Wisneski

**ABSENT:** 2 - Don Nielsen and Debbi Embry

**EXCUSED:** 3 - Robert Hayes, Terry McCarthy and Michael Frontier

*Staff present: Donnie Snow, Jack Schumann, Tom Molbeck, Cathy Petrouske*

*Guests: Ald. Jim Spangenberg, John Skalbeck*

### **Approval of Minutes for May 14, 2008 Meeting**

**to Approve the Minutes**

Public Input

*No Public Input*

Director's Report

*Snow gave a report on what staff knows at this time about the flooding in the City of Racine and it's impact on the parks. Snow: Some of the water is receding. Several parks are immersed under water. The City has a lot of parkland on the river. He passed around pictures of the flooded parks. The department has 11 bridges that will need to be inspected and there are five ball fields that are under water. The Stage on Wheels was submerged in water and staff is talking with Kenosha about possibly using their stage. Play structures will need to be accessed. The DNR Fishery was submerged. Some greens and fairways at the golf course are submerged.*

*Molbeck said staff has come up with a schedule for softball games that needed to be cancelled due to the flood and will re-access at a later date.*

*Dyess moved and it was seconded by Stein to receive and file. Passed unan.*

**The Report was Received and Filed**

Minutes of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners

*Dyess moved and it was seconded by Stein to receive and file the minutes of the May 5, 2008 and May 19, 2008 meetings.*

**The Report was Received and Filed**

Zoological Society Report

*No report*

**08-2238**

Subject: Communication from the West Racine Business and Professional Association wishing to discuss the use of the Parks Department snow fencing for Western Days Celebration on July 19, 2008.

*Ald. Spangenberg appeared and said West Racine Business and Professional Association is requesting to use snow fencing at their Western Days celebration. Alcohol will be served at the event and will be confined to the fenced in area.*

*Dyess moved and it was seconded by LeGath to approve and refer to the Finance and Personnel Committee. Passed unan.*

**Recommended For Further Consideration**

**08-1984**

Subject: Communication from Brett Kaydo wishing to discuss a water sport rental company for North Beach.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 4-23-08: that the request be referred to the City Attorney for review and that the item come back before the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services with the Attorney's recommendation for the committee's final approval.

Fiscal note: TBD

*Dyess moved and it was seconded by LeGath to defer. Passed unan.*

**Deferred**

**08-2278**

Subject: (Direct Referral) Ordinance No. 03-08 is an amendment to Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Administration - Powers and duties; supervision of cemeteries.

*Dyess moved and it was seconded by Stein that Ordinance 03-08 be adopted as amended. Passed unan.*

**Recommended For Adoption**

Presentation of Educational signage regarding the Racine Environmental Education Center

*John Skalbeck appeared and presented signage that would be placed along the Root River pathways. He said the signage would be placed out of the way of maintenance workers. He said photos for the signs were compiled by UW-Parkside students and the Racine Historical Museum. There has been some funding from Root Pike Win.*

Miscellaneous

*Snow welcomed Amanda DeSonia and Kelli Stein to the Board.*

## **Adjournment**

*There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.*

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