



City of Racine

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

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

Wednesday, May 14, 2008

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

Call To Order

PRESENT: 6 - Darryl Carter, Joey LeGath, Gaynell Dyess, Aron Wisneski, Terry McCarthy and Jim Kaplan

ABSENT: 3 - Kelli Stein, Don Nielsen and Debbi Embry

EXCUSED: 2 - Robert Hayes and Michael Frontier

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

Guest: Jay Christie

Approval of Minutes for April 23, 2008 Meeting

Approve the Minutes

PUBLIC INPUT

No Public Input

Director's Report

Snow said that staff now has the flag for Monument Square. Flag Day is June 14th, however the flag will probably be raised on June 21st. The granite seats and game tables are now on Monument Square, but the pedestals for the cannons have not yet arrived.

The Laurel Clark Fountain continues to be a maintenance problem. There may have to be an attendant at the Fountain. Presently staff is working with the Health Department.

Molbeck said that playground registration was being held this evening and there are 30 slots per location.

McCarthy moved and Dyess seconded the motion to receive and file. Passed unan.

The Report was Received and Filed

Minutes of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners

McCarthy moved and Dyess seconded the motion to receive and file. Passed unan.

The Report was Received and Filed

Zoological Society Report

The Report was Received and Filed

08-2076

Subject: Communication from the President and CEO of the Racine Zoo wishing to discuss the financial terms of the operating agreement between the Society and the City of Racine.

Also refer to the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 05-12-08: The item be referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Jay Christie appeared and said that the Zoological Society has been proud to operate the Racine Zoo and has saved the City a lot of money over the years. Christie made a presentation to the Board to show three different scenarios for the Zoo based on funding. Further, he said that if the Zoo was able to operate an education center out of the Lakeview Community Center building it would help with revenue.

McCarthy moved and Dyess seconded the motion that the City apply an annual increase equal to the CPI index to the Zoo allocation. Further recommend that the communication be referred to the Committee of the Whole. 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

At this time staff does not have a recommendation from the City Attorney.

Snow asked if the Board would like to have a special meeting on this request after the recommendation from the City Attorney is received. The Board said they would meet in a special meeting.

McCarthy moved and Kaplan seconded the motion to defer. Passed unan.

Deferred

08-2155

Subject: 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.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 5-14-08: that the amendment be approved.

Fiscal note: N/A

Discussion by the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services creating an Adopt A Median program.

Snow said that he would like to start a program wherein companies, neighborhoods, etc. could adopt a median and plant flowers to beautify the neighborhood. The PRCS department would not do anything in the medians that would interfere with other City departments that may be working in the medians.

Kaplan moved and it was seconded by Dyess to approve. Passed unan.

Miscellaneous

No miscellaneous business

Adjournment

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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