



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, October 12, 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: Steve Donavon and Beth Heidorn

Staff Present: Tom Molbeck, Mike Willis & Jena Kohlman

PRESENT: 9 - Kristen Kaprelian, Christina Mueller, Mary Land, Jason Meekma, Amy Schaal, Keith Hemmig, Roy Carter, Cathi DeGroot and Melissa Kaprelian-Becker

[0861-16](#)

Subject: Approval of the September 14, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [PRCS Board Meeting Minutes September 14, 2016](#)

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

Public Input

No public input.

[0859-16](#)

Subject: Zoological Report October 2016

Attachments: [Zoological Report October 2016](#)

Heidorn provided highlights from the report.

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

[0858-16](#)

Subject: Director's Report October 2016

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

Molbeck provided highlights from the report.

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

[0862-16](#)

Subject: Approval of the Cemetery Commissioner's September 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Board of Cemetery Commissioners Meeting Minutes 9-19-2016 revised](#)

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

[0817-16](#)

Subject: Communication from the Racine Rotary Club and Foundation offering the City of Racine a contribution of \$100,000 to support the construction of a permanent outdoor performance structure at Festival Park. (Res No. 0359-16)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 9/26/16: To accept a \$100,000 donation from Racine Rotary Club and Foundation to support the construction of a permanent outdoor performance structure at Festival Park, and direct staff to proceed with the preparation of plans and specifications to build an outdoor stage.

Further Recommend that an official and permanent name change of "Festival Park" to "Paul. P. Harris Rotary Park" be referred to the Board of Parks Recreation & Cultural Services for their approval.

Fiscal Note: The estimated cost of construction is \$150,000.00 and will require a \$50,000.00 match from the city. Those funds will be allocated in the 2017 CIP.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services on 10/13/16: To approve Racine Rotary Club and Foundation's request to rename "Festival Park" to "Paul P. Harris Rotary Park".

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [Rotary Common Council Letter FINAL](#)

Steve Donavon spoke on behalf of the Rotary Club and Foundation's request.

DeGroot questioned if there was consideration taken to keep the word "festival" in the name. Donavon explained the building will remain named "Festival Hall". The park would be renamed. The combination of the 2 along with a \$100,000 donation was felt ,by the club, to be a good compromise.

Donavon provided further explanation of Paul P. Harris and their vision of the park.

Brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Kaprelian-Becker seconded by Schaal to approve Racine Rotary Club and Foundation's request to rename "Festival Park" to "Paul P. Harris Rotary Park". The motion PASSED by voice vote. Unanimous.

[0860-16](#)

Subject: Fill member openings on the following sub-committees: Personnel Committee, Buildings & Grounds Committee, Program & Protest Committee, Naming Committee & the Community Center Sustainability Committee.

Attachments: [PRCS BOARD SUB COMMITTEES](#)

Members agreed upon the following assignments:

Personnel Committee:

DeGroot

Mueller

Kaprelian

Kaprelian-Becky

Buildings & Grounds Committee:

Kaprelian

Hemmig

Schaal

Mueller

Program & Protest Committee:

Meekma

Hemmig

DeGroot

Carter

Naming Committee:

Schaal

DeGroot

Land

Carter

The Community Center Sustainability Committee had been eliminated.

Kaprelian-Becker left at 5:35 p.m.

The sub-committee assignments are filled as noted.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.