

City of Baraboo
Parks & Recreation Commission
April 13, 2015 Minutes

Present: Greg Wise, Roy Franzen, Denise Statz, Mike Plautz, Craig Schlender, June Dills, John Kewitz, Rick Luther & Mike Hardy

Wise called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Legal posting of the agenda had been met. The Agenda was approved as printed.

Franzen motioned and Kewitz seconded approval of March 9, 2015 minutes. Motion Carried.

Appearances:

Steve Argo - Veterans Memorial Concept along Riverwalk
Angela McMurray – Expression Swing Donation Request

Unfinished Business:

Commission reviewed Sponsorship Policy revisions, allowing potential sponsors like convenience stores and restaurants that derive less than 50% of their annual sales from alcohol or tobacco products to sponsor facilities or programs.

New Business:

Steve Argo discussed donating a WWI memorial for installation at a city park. The memorial is a sculpture of a ship with Baraboo ties which was sunk in the war. Steve estimated the project to cost about \$100,000, which he will fundraise for. The Commission agreed it was a great idea and Steve will continue with his plans.

Angela McMurray discussed purchasing and installing an “Expression Swing” for Campbell Park. Local parents will help raise funds to finance part of the purchase. Hardy will work with McMurray to receive more information regarding funding after CPSC testing has approved the equipment.

Franzen motioned and Dills seconded to use Park Impact fees to install a drinking fountain at City View Park. Motion Carried. The ADA fountain will cost approximately \$2500.

Statz motioned and Kewitz seconded using the \$28,500 of Civic Center Improvement Bond Money as follows:

- ADA accessible addition to 2nd Street Assembly entrance \$9,045
- Repairing of greenhouse enclosure \$14,000
- Upgrade aging phone system & wiring \$4,445
- Signage \$1010

Motion Carried.

Franzen motioned and Schlender seconded to set-up a volunteer dog park attendant program. Volunteers would greet people and explain park policies. The volunteers would be trained by Hardy. Motion Carried.

Franzen motioned and Statz seconded to waive the \$150 fees normally charged for event permits, during the Wine Walk at Nanny Park May 1st from 6-9pm to raise money for the mural. Motion Carried.

The annual park tour is scheduled for Monday, May 11th at 5:15pm. Tour will start and end at Ochsner Park Main Shelter, and be followed by a potluck picnic.

Staff Report

March Revenues \$19,108.70

- Staff busy scheduling spring projects, hiring summer staff and setting field use schedules for teams.
- April 22 @ 3:30pm dedication of Maxwell-Potter Conservancy and Tree City Award presentation.
- April 27 from 4-8pm Culver’s Share Night benefiting Friends of the Baraboo Zoo.
- MRE (obsolete) tennis courts exemption approved by DNR.
- Summer/Fall Activity Guide included in packets and ready for distribution

Youth & Adult programs for Summer were discussed.
The Pool heater is scheduled for delivery April 24th.
Interviewing will begin later this month for Pool employees.

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, May 11th, 2015 after the Park Tour

Plautz motioned and Schlender seconded to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

June Dills – Commission Secretary