

City of Baraboo  
Parks & Recreation Commission  
May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Minutes

Present: Greg Wise, Roy Franzen, Denise Statz, Mike Plautz, June Dills & Mike Hardy

The Annual Park Tour left from the Ochsner Park Main Shelter at 5:15pm. The following were stops on the tour :  
Statz Park (New Shelter & Playground Project Locations)  
Pierce Park (Restroom ADA Improvements & Ball Field #5 Planning)  
Maxwell-Potter Conservancy (New Playground, Future Butterfly Garden and Arboretum areas)  
Steinhorst Park (New Soccer Field Construction & Future Tree Planting Area)

Wise called the meeting to order at 7pm. Legal posting of the Agenda had been met. The Agenda was approved as printed.

Franzen motioned and Plautz seconded approval of April 13, 2015 minutes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

Angela McMurray reported that she had collected an additional \$1,900 for the Expression Swing, making total donation of \$2,200. Hardy stated that it will be ordered and installation will take place at Campbell Park when staff is available to install it later this summer or fall.

New Business:

Franzen motioned and Statz seconded to charge Catch for a Cure \$500 Co-Sponsor Fees for using all of Pierce Park September 4-6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 for a tournament to benefit cancer research. Motion Carried.

Franzen Motioned and Plautz seconded to Charge Sauk County Conservation Cup Volleyball \$160.00 Co-Sponsorship to use Attridge Park Sand Volleyball Courts, Restrooms and Lights for their annual Tournament. Dates are July 14, 18 & August 11 & 25. Motion Carried.

The Pool Committee met April 29<sup>th</sup> to interview pool candidates. During the meeting, it was decided that the structure of the pool staffing could be changed to better place current candidates in leadership roles while managing the constant turnover at the manager position (3 manager changes in the last 5 years). Committee is recommending not filling the Pool Manager position and instead dividing manager duties between 4 head guards. Rec./Aquatics Coordinator (Luther) would be expected to be more visible as the staff leader and all head guards would be assigned assistant manager tasks to oversee swim lessons, staff scheduling, etc. The budget would have some impact as well, with Head Guards wages increasing \$1 an hour to \$11/hour total, however the pool manager's \$12/hour would no longer exist. Staff would ensure that no more than 2 Head Guards are scheduled at the same time when possible. Statz motioned and Plautz seconded to eliminate the Pool Manager position for 2015 and hire 4 Head Guards at a rate of \$11/hour to manage the pool. Motion Carried.

April Revenue was \$16,966.70

Staff Report:

Zoo Specialist Tori Spinoso gave a demonstration of the new zoo smartphone app.  
Otter Run @ 9:30am June 7<sup>th</sup>; Zoo Crew 11am-4pm June 7<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers welcome to help out.  
FOBZ is working on GoFundMe crowdfunding campaign to raise remaining \$85K for Otter Exhibit.

Presidents Report:

Wise complimented the staff on the outstanding job each staff member does.

Next Regular Meeting: June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Franzen motioned and Dills seconded to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted – June Dills, Commission Secretary