

CITY OF MEQUON
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PARK BOARD MEETING
April 22, 2015
Mequon City Hall
South Conference Room
6:30 PM

Chairperson Barnes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with roll call as follows:

Members present: Bruce Barnes, Susan Chich, Mary Glenn Fuchs, Jim Lysaught, Tom Menzel and Robert Walerstein

Members absent: Fran Rechcygl and John Leszczynski

Also present: Parks Director Curran and Staff Liaison Szymanski

1. **Approval of Park Board Minutes:**

Moved by Robert Walerstein and seconded by Jim Lysaught to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2015 meeting. The motion passed by voice acclamation.

2. **Visitor Participation/Recognition:**

John Mikkelson commented on the Donges Bay Rd. pedestrian/walk bridge proposed at the last Park Board meeting. Mikkelson stated other items of higher priority should be considered over the building of a bridge. Bridget King was also present in regards to the sculpture donation.

3. **River Barn Park Donation:**

The Thiensville-Mequon Lion's Club will be making a \$2000.00 donation to assist with improvements at River Barn Park. The club did not indicate any specific item but requested recognition for their donation. Staff recommended upgrading the meeting room tables due to showing signs of wear. A motion made by Mary Glenn Fuchs and seconded by Robert Walerstein to purchase replacement tables with the donated funds along with an appropriate plaque placed on a pedestal table outside of the Sommer Pavilion passed by voice acclamation.

4. **Lemke Park Temporary Storage:**

Director Curran has been meeting with various users of Lemke Park regarding storage needs for organized sports equipment. To provide an immediate need they are requesting the use of a storage pod until a permanent structure can be built. A motion made by Jim Lysaught and seconded by Bruce Barnes to approve the placement of a temporary storage pod in a location to be determined by Director Curran along with any insurance provided by the users passed by voice acclamation.

5. **Sculpture Donation:**

The City of Mequon has been offered a donation of a sculpture by former Mequon residents to be located in an area along the Milwaukee River in the park area across from

City Hall. The Park Board has been asked to determine the appropriateness of the sculpture and determine a suitable location on that site. Bridget King was present to provide a history of the sculpture along with pictures showing possible placement locations of the sculpture in Settlers Park. The sculpture would require a concrete footing large enough to support it. Tom Menzel offered to help place the sculpture in the park. A motion made by Mary Glenn Fuchs and seconded by Robert Walerstein to accept the donation of the statue for a location to be determined at Settlers Park passed by voice acclamation.

6. **Shoreland Nature Preserve Planning:**

In 2014 the Mequon Common Council finalized the purchase of approximately 140 acres adjacent to Shoreland Nature Preserve. The land includes the existing lake and frontage along the Milwaukee River. The additional property provides a chance to expand the trail system along with establishing signage and boundary markers. At this time there is no money budgeted for improvements. Staff will mow trails and remove no trespassing signs.

7. **Arbor Day Event:**

Arbor Day will be held at Logemann Community Center on April 26th from 1pm – 3pm. Jim Lysaught will assist with setting up the laptop to display photos of our parks.

8. **Chairperson's Report:**

Chairperson Barnes had no report.

9. **Director's Report:**

Director Curran mentioned that two projects were completed at Rotary Park. The kitchen cabinet and sink assembly were replaced at the South Rotary pavilion along with electric service was upgraded inside the kitchen area at the Reuter Pavilion.

10. **Adjourn:**

A motion by Robert Walerstein and seconded by Susan Chich to adjourn at 7:40 pm passed by voice acclamation.

Future meeting date.....May 20, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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