

CITY OF MANITOWOC
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2012 at 5:00 pm
City Hall-East Hearing Room

Members: Jason Sladky – Chair, Collin Braunel, Tyler Martell, Al Schema

Staff: Mayor Nickels, Val Mellon, Denise Larson, Jim Muenzenmeyer, Kevin Glaeser

Guests: Jim Van Lanen, Jr, John Brunner, Jamie Zastrow, Charlie Matthews, Erik Sitkiewitz, Scott McMeans, Bill Fessler, & Shirley Fessler

The meeting was called to order at 5 pm by Chairman Sladky.

A. Schema made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2012 meeting as presented.
C. Braunel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Update on disc golf parks by K. Glaeser & J. Van Lanen, Jr.

Jim Van Lanen, Jr. would like to continue his efforts to update and improve the disc golf courses in Manitowoc by continuing his fundraising and sending out packets of information on how sponsors can get involved. K. Glaeser and the committee have complimented the group on their work both monetarily and physically. The bridge for Indian Creek Park has been purchased. The department is working with Jim Welding to get final plans to move forward. V. Mellon is hopeful it will be in place this fall yet.

Update, discussion & possible action on armory improvements

Plans are 90% finished. J. Muenzenmeyer is getting costs for local contractors. The bathrooms are estimated to cost \$50,000. The committee would like to see the bathrooms done in January or February.

Discussion & possible action on repairs to the Manitowoc Family Aquatic Center

Repairs to the spray umbrella and decking will cost approximately \$4,850. C. Braunel made a motion to go ahead with the repairs. It was seconded by A. Schema. Motion carried.

Discussion & possible action regarding memorandum of understanding (12-492) from the Friends of the Community Built Playground

The C.B.P. Friends group, represented by Jaime Zastrow, has prepared an agreement with the city, so that they can turn over the monies from their fundraising efforts. They will be dissolving their group. The estimated fund to be turned over will be approximately \$65,000. Per the agreement, these funds will be designated for the Community Built Playground in Henry Schuette Park. C. Braunel made a motion to accept the agreement and the funds. It was seconded by A. Schema. Motion carried.

Discussion & possible action regarding request from Silver Ridge developers for improvements

V. Mellon met with Bill Fessler and plans were then given to Dan Wergin. The City is waiting for a price on the seeding.

Discussion & possible action regarding request from Lincoln High School Booster Football Club for waiver of fees for use of Parks equipment

A motion was made by A. Schema to charge them 50% and to remind them that if they pick up the equipment, it will be cheaper. It was seconded by C. Braunel. Motion carried.

Discussion & update regarding Red Arrow Park improvements & condition

The amount of grant monies to be received is not known yet. There is money budgeted for the roadway. Early next year, the department will go ahead and bid for the bio-filtration project and the roadway. Playground equipment will be moved closer to the beach. The Manitowoc Youth Baseball Association is also onboard to help with the project. C. Martell is concerned about the storm sewer outlet at the south end of the beach. He would like to see some research about the possibility of moving it further to the south. J. Sladky has concerns about the youth programs being at Red Arrow Park, since the weather is generally cooler by the lake.

Discussion & possible action on the Adopt-A-Park Program

The Mayor explained the document to the committee. It is ready to go with all the liability concerns addressed. C. Braunel is concerned that the groups will not follow through with their commitment. It is explained in the document that there will be a trial period of one year to make sure that the group is committed before they can officially Adopt-the-Park. Each group will also have specific tasks and projects to do with department approval. A motion was made by A. Schema to accept the Adopt-A-Park Program. It was seconded by C. Braunel.

Discussion & possible action regarding committee/council members wish list for 2013

A. Schema would like to see the potholes in Lincoln Park addressed. C. Martell would like to see the Red Arrow Park stormwater run-out addressed.

Discussion, update, & possible action regarding special event requests

This is a much bigger issue to address than was originally thought. J. Muenzenmeyer is working on getting all of the information together and will continue to work on it.

Adjournment

A. Schema made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15. It was seconded by C. Martell. Motion carried.

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