

PARKS & RECREATION MEETING COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: January 11, 2011
PLACE: J.P. Coughlin Building – Volunteer Room
625 E Cty Rd Y, Oshkosh WI
8:30 a.m..
PRESENT: Parks Committee - Jerry Finch, Mike Norton, Don Miller, Tom
Konetzke. Travis Swanson - excused.
ALSO PRESENT: Rob Way, Vicky Redlin, Loren Dieck, Bob Lohry – Winnebago
County Parks Dept., Kathy Propp – League of Women Voters

1. Call to order – Chairman Finch called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m..
2. Approval of December 14, 2010 Minutes – Chairman Finch called for a motion to approve the December 14, 2010 meeting minutes. Don Miller moved to approve. Tom Konetzke seconded with corrections of typos as follows; Item #4 ‘Grand’ should be changed to ‘Grant’, also ... including surveying and making sure that the zoning ‘is’ instead of ‘in’ not in conflict with the intended use, also the 4th line from the top of page 2 should read... want to ‘charge’ more instead of ‘change’. Motion carried 3-0
3. Public Comments - none
4. 2010 Boat Landing Parking Permit Program Report – Rob Way handed out the Revenue & Count sheet for 2010. The totals were a little lower than in previous years. Rob Way added that the reason why the drop revenue was not larger could in part be due to the \$1.00 fee increase enacted two years ago. The fee increase may have helped off-set the trend that has developed where more and more boaters are acquiring the discounted 3-year sticker instead of the annual sticker. Committee members also received a bar chart showing landing usage. The chart is used for scheduling maintenance and rangers. Compliance with the daily permit fees has been good.
5. National Parks & Recreation Association Conference Report – Loren Dieck reported on his attendance at the National Parks and Recreation Association convention and took questions from the Committee.
6. Discussion on Addressing Future Senior Recreational Programming Needs – Rob Way informed the Committee of the work he is doing as part of the CHIP program which is in the process of looking at recreational needs in the community. The needs of senior citizens are one of the areas being looked at.
7. Parks Director’s Updates: Modification of Racetrack Infield Area – Rob Way reported that a meeting has been held with the Fair, Impact Motorsports, and staff on revamping the infield of the track to be more conducive to tractor pull events. The Impact Motorsports representative indicated that they had no issue(s) with implementing the change. The Fair will be coming back to staff at a future date with detailed drawings and other elements gleaned from working with LWCD. Rob also reported that, for safety reasons, Osh-O-Nee Boat Landing must be closed to vehicle traffic for Radtke to finish repairs to the dock and shorewalls. There have been complaints from those accessing the lake via this landing that they have not had access. The landings are not recognized as ice access points but as boat launch sites and the repairs are being made for boating using boat launch

fee dollars. Winter repairs are being conducted so that there is no disruption to boaters during the warm weather months.

8. Committee Chairman's Updates: Chairman Finch reported that he would like to set up a meeting with the Fair President and Vice President to discuss options for future fair revenue. He also would like to hold a public meeting on the future northern area dog park, once Rob has concluded his fact finding with officials in that area at a meeting on Thursday.
9. Committee Member's Updates: Mike Norton asked about the Pepsi contract. It will be brought in to committee next month. He also would like to see a resolution establishing concession rights within the Community Park. Tom Konetzke commended staff for looking to future growth in the items brought in for discussion.
10. Staff Updates: Winter Storage Program and Autumn Fest Programming Option(s) – Vicky Redlin reported that \$1,290.00 revenue was received for the winter storage program this year. She also stated that due to the increase in work load and diminished amount of volunteers Autumn Fest will be taken over by an outside group for 2011 with the Parks Beautification Fund as a recipient of an undecided amount of donations. Mike Norton stated that he would like to see the Parks Dept. put on a spring event to bring people into the Park. Rob Way stated that we are still in the process of bringing in a disc golf event to benefit the Park.
11. Future Agenda Items: Pepsi Contract and Multi-year Fair Rental Agreement
12. Next Meeting Date – February 2, 2011 at 8:30 a.m..
13. Adjournment – Chairman Finch called for a motion to adjourn. Don Miller moved to adjourn. Mike Norton seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned 10:10 a.m..

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicky Redlin
Asst. Expo Mgr.