

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2011**

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the September 7, 2011 Minutes
3. Placing Plaque in Goerke Park to Commemorate Eugene G. LaRose for founding St. Pt. School Dist. Annual Elementary Track & Field Meet (St. Pt. School Dist.)
4. Adoption of 2012 Price Structure
5. Director's Report
6. Adjournment

1. Roll Call

Present: Freckmann, Glodosky, Hall, McDonald, Sorenson, Ald. Brooks, Ald. Slowinski

Excused: Bahling, Okonek,

Absent: West, Ald. O'Meara

Also Present: Forester Todd Ernster, Betty Bruski Mallek, Kyle Johannsen, Brittany Nelson, Abby Tentinger, Elizabeth Glodowski, Alan Budleski and Emmanuel Willis.

2. Approval of the September 7, 2011 Minutes

Motion made by Sorenson, seconded by Hall, to approve the September 7, 2011 minutes and place them on file.

Ayes all; Nays none; Motion carried.

3. Placing Plaque in Goerke Park to Commemorate Eugene G. LaRose for founding St. Pt. School Dist. Annual Elementary Track & Field Meet (St. Pt. School Dist.)

Motion made by Hall, seconded by Ald. Slowinski, to place the plaque in Goerke Park to commemorate Eugene G. LaRose for founding the Stevens Point School District Annual Elementary Track and Field Meet.

Ayes all, nays none; motion carried.

4. Adoption of 2012 Price Structure

President Glodosky stated he has problems with cuts being made to Parks and Recreation. He understands budgets are tight but softball and baseball games have always been offered in the City, with the City doing maintenance to keep the fields in good shape. Discussion followed about the \$66,000.00 for ball diamond maintenance being put back into the 2012 budget and the money coming out of room tax. The user groups will need to come up with \$16,000.00 in 2013 and \$32,000.00 in 2014. Board members would like to know exactly what the \$66,000.00 covers.

President Glodosky stated that the years ago, there was talk about building a baseball complex in Stevens Point and the Park Commission steered the group away from the complex idea in favor of partnering with the City to use the park diamonds and the maintenance would be done by the City. Now there's talk that the leagues need to take over the maintenance of the diamonds. If you compare the baseball complex in Plover with Stevens Point's set up you can see that there is no place for the leagues to be self-funded. They have no complex building in which to sell concessions. The set up is so different from how the leagues are run in Stevens Point. The leagues in Stevens Point

have already taken many costs out of the budget for the Parks and Rec Department by running the programs for the City.

Liz McDonald asked what the adult basketball team fee and player fees cost cover? How long does the season run? Do the fees cover the cost of the program? Could this be a place to increase revenues?

Robert Freckmann asked if any of the flat entries have been looked at like the arena/exhibit fees. Todd Ernster responded that all the fees have been reviewed by staff and are competitive with other municipalities.

Wayne Sorenson stated with the Ramada closing, maybe the arena could be used for some exhibits. He would like to see the space at the Willett marketed for more use year round to bring in revenue. Questions were asked if liquor could be sold in conjunction with events at the Willett. Maybe this should be looked into for the future.

Ald. Slowinski stated he supports room tax money being used in 2012 to offset the cost of ball field maintenance but the City needs to look at different kinds of revenue. We should take advantage of advertisements on the ball diamond outfield fences.

Ald. Brooks feels there are opportunities available to do more with concessions in the parks to increase revenues. What is the status of the second diamond in Iverson Park?

Motion by McDonald, seconded by Ald. Slowinski to support/approve the proposed 2012 price structure.

Ayes all, nays none; motion carried.

5. Director's Report

- Todd Ernster reported on behalf of Director Schrader that Donald Butkowski, Facilities Manager from the Willett will be retiring at the end of the year and his position will not be refilled. Managers will be working on absorbing his duties.
- Ald. Stroik asked Director Schrader to come up with items that might be able to be put back in the budget. Director Schrader prepared a prioritized list for consideration. The list was reviewed by the Committee. It was suggested that the doggie bags cost item be restored into the budget. Sue Hall suggested maybe more signage is needed in the parks informing owners of their responsibility to clean up after their pets.

Ald. Slowinski asked about the \$10,000.00 for nursery stock listed under "to be restored" but then under "remove from budget" is the amount of \$2,900.00 for nursery stock. Todd Ernster explained the budget amount proposed was \$12,900.00 and by cutting or by reducing the budget by \$2,900.00 it shows compromise on the part of the Parks Department. Todd expressed some bias towards this item since it's his portion in the budget receiving some of the cuts. Todd stated when looking at the overall budget for the city, all departments are making cuts. Todd explained that he'll be using donated funds from groups to replant trees in the parks but would hope that money stays in the budget to plant the street trees.

Liz McDonald asked that the money for replanting trees isn't removed from the budget. Replanting

trees is critical. They grow in size and value each year.

Bob Freckmann stated that there aren't many things that we spend money on that we gain dividends on like we do from trees. With a tight budget situation, he would prefer we give up on something that gives us a short-term effect rather than a long-term effect.

Wayne Sorensen stated he's in favor of the winter budget items being restored. It could be a safety issue with little or reduced staffing in the winter sports areas. He feels the staffing has not been adequate before and wouldn't like to see cuts here.

Ald. Brooks stated that the pool operates in the red every year by about \$75,000.00. This has been discussed previously and he'd like to hear feedback about closing the pool. Liz McDonald stated when the weather is nice, the pool is heavily used and a relatively inexpensive thing for kids to participate in. She would hate to see the pool close; maybe we should look at shortening the hours of operation and not closing over the supper hour. We could look at minimizing the open hours to cut back on staff hours.

Todd Ernster explained that Bob Gregorich has been very aggressive in trying to get weekend sponsorships free swimming.

Questions were raised about the number of users at the pool. Todd stated all of the numbers are tracked and calculated. We'll report back to the committee with the numbers.

Chairman Glodosky stated there is some value in the Parks and Recreation Department and has always been proud of what our City can offer the citizens of Stevens Point. Not everything makes money, sometimes you have to spend it to offer the quality of life. He's in favor of keeping the pool open.

Ald. Slowinski stated that the decisions are going to be tough. He'd hate to see the pool close, but in the grand scheme of things, all things need to get prioritized. There are other options for swimming in the City, like the beaches and other pools.

Wayne Sorensen favors the supervised structured activities for younger children at the pool, but as kids get older, like his two, they like the beaches. He would be in favor of an evaluation being done to review the hours of operation but would like to see if the group that wanted the pool hours extended has come up with any innovative ways to raise money for pool operations. The fiscal reality is we can't keep it open the way we're doing it now. He would like Bob Gregorich to review the demographics of the pool users and match up the time of operation with the uses. Nobody wants to see the pool close so if something can be done to minimize costs in the next year so the pool isn't shut down altogether.

Chairman Glodosky stated he would sooner see the rates increased in order to continue the operation of the pool instead of shutting it down.

Liz McDonald added that when a facility isn't being used for a while it deteriorates and this facility is too nice to let that happen to it. It doesn't maintain itself.

6. Adjournment

Motion by Hall, seconded by Sorenson to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes all, nays none; motion carried. 7:16 p.m.

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Current Parks, Rec & Forestry Price Struture

PROGRAM	RES/NON /UNIVER	CURRENT 2011 Prices	PROPOSED 2012 Prices	PROPOSED 2013 Prices	PROPOSED 2014 Prices	PROPOSED 2015 Prices
SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS						
Adult Tennis	R	\$40.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis	N	\$60.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Youth Tennis	R	\$30.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Youth Tennis	N	\$50.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis Leag	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Adult Tennis Leag	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Nature Camp	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Nature Camp	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Sport Camp	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Sport Camp	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Suumer Play	u	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Fun/Mother Natr	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Fun/Mother Natr	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Kiddie Korner	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Kiddie Korner	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Summer Playground	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
K.B. WILLETT ARENA						
Public Skating	U	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$4.00
Open Freestyle	U	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$16.00
Open Hockey	U	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$16.00
Individual Pass	U	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$120.00
Family Pass	U	\$145.00	\$145.00	\$155.00	\$155.00	\$165.00
10 Use Fee	U	\$25.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$27.00	\$29.00
Tot 1-3	R	27.00-42.50	29.00-44.50	29.00-44.50	31.00-46.50	31.00-46.50
Tot 1-3	N	47.00-62.50	49.00-64.50	49.00-64.50	51.00-66.50	51.00-66.50
Pre Alpha	R	29.00-45.00	31.00-47.00	31.00-47.00	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00
Pre Alpha	N	49.00-65.00	51.00-67.00	51.00-67.00	53.00-69.00	53.00-69.00
Alpha	R	29.00-45.00	31.00-47.00	31.00-47.00	33.00-49.00	33.00-49.00
Alpha	N	49.00-65.00	51.00-67.00	51.00-67.00	53.00-69.00	53.00-69.00
Beta	R	33.00-48.50	35.00-50.50	35.00-50.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Beta	N	53.00-73.50	55.00-75.50	55.00-75.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Gamma	R	33.00-48.50	35.00-50.50	35.00-50.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Gamma	N	53.00-73.50	55.00-75.50	55.00-75.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Delta	R	33.00-48.50	35.00-50.50	35.00-50.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Delta	N	53.00-73.50	55.00-75.50	55.00-75.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Freestyle 1-4	R	33.00-48.50	35.00-50.50	35.00-50.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Freestyle 1-4	N	53.00-73.50	55.00-75.50	55.00-75.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Adult	R	33.00-48.50	33.00-48.50	33.00-48.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Adult	N	53.00-73.50	53.00-73.50	53.00-73.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Artistic/Power/Moves	R	68.50-86.00	70.50-88.00	70.50-88.00	72.50-90.00	72.50-90.00
Artistic/Power/Moves	N	88.50-106.00	90.50-108.00	90.50-108.00	92.50-110.00	92.50-110.00
Stars on Ice I & II	R	33.00-48.50	35.00-50.50	35.00-50.50	37.00-52.50	37.00-52.50
Stars on Ice I & II	N	53.00-73.50	55.00-75.50	55.00-75.50	57.00-77.50	57.00-77.50
Open Freestyle Less	R	68.50-133.00	70.50-135.00	70.50-135.00	72.50-137.00	72.50-137.00
Open Freestyle Less	N	88.50-153.00	90.50-155.00	90.50-155.00	92.50-157.00	92.50-157.00
Power Skating	R	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Power Skating	N	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Hockey Clinic	R	\$130.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Hockey Clinic	N	\$150.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Skate Rental	U	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$4.00
Ice Rental - Prim	U	\$145.00	\$150.00	\$155.00	\$160.00	\$165.00
Ice Rental - Sec	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Ice Rental - Ter	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Non-Cty Ice Fee	N	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$60.00
Arena Exhibition Fee	U	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00
Summer Ice Rate	U	*155.00/hr	*160.00/hr	*165.00/hr	*170.00/hr	*175.00/hr
Game Rate UWSP	U	\$916.00	\$953.00	\$992.00	\$1031.00	\$1070.00
Game Rate SPASH	U	\$640.00	\$666.00	\$692.00	\$719.00	\$746.00
* Based on a 12 hour per day minimum						
** Game rate includes ice rental fee and cleanup costs						
***Learn to skate prices vary depending on length of session						
COPPS SWIMMING POOL						
0-5 yrs Admiss	U	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.50	\$2.50
6 - Adult Admiss	U	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$3.00	\$3.00
Individual Pass	R	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$70.00	\$70.00

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COPPS SWIMMING POOL						
Individual Pass	N	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$95.00	\$95.00
Family Pass	R	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$105.00	\$105.00
Family Pass	N	\$110.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$130.00	\$130.00
1-50 Rental	U	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$85.00	\$85.00
51-100 Rental	U	\$90.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
101-500 Rental	U	\$105.00	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$115.00	\$115.00
Teen Nite	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Swim Lessons	R	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Swim Lessons	N	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
WINTER RECREATION						
Basketball Team Fee	U	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00
Basketball Indivd	U	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$65.00
Basketball Instruc	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Team Fee	U	\$100.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Indivd	U	\$42.00	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Volleyball Instruc	U	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered	not offered
Outdoor Skating	U					
Lodge Rental >50	U	\$130.00	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$145.00	\$145.00
Lodge Rental 51-100	U	\$150.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
Lodge Rental 101>	U	\$170.00	\$180.00	\$180.00	\$185.00	\$185.00
Toboggan Rental	U	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$7.00
FOOTBALL/TRACK RENTAL						
Football-UWSP	U	\$800.00	\$825.00	\$825.00	\$850.00	\$850.00
Football-High School	U	\$800.00	\$825.00	\$825.00	\$850.00	\$850.00
Football-Jr. High, Spoh, JV,7th & 8th Grade	U	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$365.00	\$365.00
Football-State/Conf	U	\$1300.00	\$1350.00	\$1350.00	\$1400.00	\$1400.00
Soccer	U	\$400.00	\$425.00	\$425.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Lighting	U	\$205.00	\$210.00	\$215.00	\$220.00	\$225.00
Track Practice Fee	U	\$200.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
Track Team Meet Fee	U	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Track State/Conf	U	\$400.00	\$425.00	\$425.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Stadium rental	U	\$100.00/hr	\$105.00/hr	\$105.00/hr	\$110.00/hr	\$110.00/hr
* Add .05/student to Football Fee & \$1/ paid admission stadium fee						
* Track meet fee is per team plus staff costs						
*** Add additional site prep costs to Football-State/Conf.						
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL						
Bukolt/Mon-Fri	U	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$85.00	\$85.00
Sat-Sun & After hrs	U	\$75.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$85.00	\$85.00
Iverson&Zenoff/Mon-Fri	U	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Sat-Sun & After hrs	U	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Lights	U	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Drying materials*	U	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
* Drying materials is based on our cost						
# SPSA,SPYBA,SPYGSA,Legion use the diamonds at no charge						
## Add staff costs to Sat. & Sun rental fees						
RECREATION MISC.						
Boat Slip Rental	R	\$525.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
Boat Slip Rental	N	\$625.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$650.00
Covered Slip	U	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
Public Beaches	U					
Non-Resident Fee	NON	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Gym Rental	U	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Lodge Rental-Bukt/Pfiff/ArtC	U	\$165.00	\$165.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$185.00
Lodge Rental-Boy Scout	U	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$145.00	\$145.00	\$155.00
Lodge Rental-All-Purp	U	\$165.00	\$165.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$185.00
Lodge Rental-Girl Sct	U	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$145.00
Room Rental	U	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Bandshell Rental	U	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
*Picnic table rental	U	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Mobile Concession	U	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Mobile Conc. is per month						
*max. of 20 tables						

proposed 10/5/11