

REGULAR MEETING
Board of Park Commissioners
Wednesday, August 1, 2012
Rec Center
2442 Sims Ave.
Meeting Room
6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the May 2, 2012 Minutes
3. Geese/duck concerns in Pfiffner Pioneer Park
4. Request to hold Fund Raising Event in Memorial Park on Sept. 15, 2012
(Southside Park Fundraising Committee & American Legion Post 6)
5. Director's Report
6. Adjournment

Meeting Rider

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Please take notice that a quorum of the City Council may attend this meeting.

Agenda Notes

3. Over the past several weeks, we have received some complaints about the number of geese present in Pfiffner Pioneer Park and the effect they are having on the park. Most of the complaints are about the residue they are leaving on the trail and grass area in front of the Bandshell. The Board addressed the issue in 2003, but chose to address the problem in the future if it became a major issue (see attached minutes).

Until this year, we really did not have an issue with the numbers or mess they leave behind. Because of the lack of rain this year, it has caused several things to happen that have brought about the complaints. The rain in the past would wash away most of the residue that was left behind from the geese. With the drought conditions we are now facing, almost every lawn (grass area) in the area, including most of the park has gone dormant. However, by irrigating the lawn in front of the Bandshell we are creating a great food source, thus concentrating them to this small area.

There are a number of different methods communities/businesses use to try to control the number of geese on their property. They range from making sites less attractive to geese like "no feeding" ordinances, scare tactics, habitat modifications, goose barriers, repellents, use of trained dogs, relocating geese, lethal techniques such as adding eggs, sterilizing geese, hunting birds to euthanizing geese.

After talking to Mike Jones a Wildlife Biologist for USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services, he thinks our best bet might be to employ constant harassment at this point. I have a call into Justice Works to see if we can get some people that need to work off community service hours. If they do have some people needing to work off hours, we can use these people to scare the geese back into the water throughout the day by making noise with clappers. Most of the time if they are harassed enough, they will relocate.

As staff, I would recommend that we try the harassment method of control as a starting point for this year.

4. As staff, I would recommend approval of the event.

MINUTES
Board of Park Commissioners
April 2, 2003

Items:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the March 5, 2003 Minutes
3. Recommendation on 2003-2004 Soda Vending Contract in Parks
4. Presentation on Geese/Duck Concerns in Parks (Alderson Seiser)
5. Amend Current Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
6. Request to Have Band at Bukolt Lodge (St. Michaels Hospital Company Picnic)
7. Directors Report
8. Adjournment

1. Roll Call

Present – Okonek, Glodosky, Freckmann, Molski, Curtis, Nealis, Phillips, Aldinger
Absent Excused – McDonald, West
Also Present – Elbert Rackow, Kent Hall, Bernice Sevenich, Lori Shifflet, Tom Schrader, Carole Francel

2. Approval of the March 5, 2003 Minutes

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Molski to approve the Minutes of the March 5, 2003 meeting.

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

3. Recommendation on 2003-2004 Soda Vending Contract in Parks

Schrader outlined a soda vending worksheet listing the Coke and Pepsi package. In reviewing the figures, it appears that the City will receive \$2000.00 more from Pepsi. (see attached)

Okonek questioned the \$1,600.00 fee under Coke and Schrader said that was a donation figure.

Motion was made by Molski, seconded by Freckmann to award the vending contract to Pepsi for 2003-2004.

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

4. Presentation on Geese/Duck Concerns in Parks (Alderson Seiser)

Alderson Seiser was unable to be at meeting.

Kent Hall gave a short review of the potential problems the Giant Canadian Geese (one of the 11 species of Canadian geese) can cause in Parks, Golf courses, etc.

As of this date, the Board has had no complaints or concerns but Mr. Hall wanted us to be aware of the possibilities as there is a small migratory range with Giant

Canadians. That a lot are now staying in Wisconsin over winter. They have been found nesting at the McDill Pond and have been seen in Mead Park.

They can pose the following problems:

- Over grazing
- Waste accumulation
- Disease in birds
- Noise
- Traffic interference
- Attack on young children

He suggested that if they become a problem, several things could be done to discourage them in using a park. That could include planting vegetation along the banks, stop feeding the ducks and geese, disturbing/destroying the eggs, having the birds and/or young harvested and used as a food commodity.

Molski said that the geese were behind Edgewater Manor about five years ago but they have disappeared.

Freckmann stated that this Giant Canadian is more of an urban goose; that may be the problem.

Phillips asked where at McDill have they been nesting, and Mr. Hall said on the north side of the railroad tracks.

Rackow said he attended meetings where they discussed problem geese. This community caught the geese in their molting period and harvested them. They reported it cost them approximately \$28.00/bird to process.

The Board thanked Mr. Hall for his presentation, and we will address this issue, in the future, if there is a problem.

5. Amend Current Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

Kent Hall, representing the Audubon Society, will be applying for Stewardship Grant funds, to purchase the Erickson property, on Della Street. In the application process, points are awarded for how the project fits into adopted outdoor recreation plans. Our current plan does address acquiring land along the Plover River corridor, in several places in the plan. However, some areas are specifically addressed, while other areas are addressed in a more abstract way.

Schrader stated that after talking to our DNR Community Services Specialist, she recommends that we amend our current plan to better identify land purchases along the Plover River. She recommends that we amend our current plan to say, "Recommend that the city look at acquiring land, adjacent to the Plover River, as it becomes available, for recreation purposes."

Mr. Hall stated that the application needs to be in by May 1st. He feels that this is a very important piece of land for the birds, many different species of warblers have been seen there and it has become a stopping point for them to feed. The cost of

July 25, 2012

Tom Schrader
Parks Director
2442 Sims Ave
Stevens Point WI 54481

Dear Tom and members of the Parks Committee,

The American Legion Post 6 and Big Hunchies Roadhouse would like to hold an outdoor event on September 15, 2012. We would like to hold this event in The Veterans Memorial Park.

The event that is being held is a fund-raiser to raise money to put playground equipment in the Veterans Memorial Park.

The American Legion will be obtaining a picnic license for this event so we can sell beer in the park with Barb Jacob as the licensed bartender on sight.

The fund-raiser will run from 12pm till 11pm, September 15, 2012. We will be fencing off 2 sides of the park for safety reasons, the attached map shows how we plan to set up for the band, beer tent and other activities. We are also asking at this time for a street closer of a portion of Division Street, between Monroe Street and Depot Street. We are asking for the road closer from 7am on the 15th till midnight on the 16th. We are requesting this closer for safety reason and for the Army National Guards to bring equipment and place it on the road for public viewing. They will also be setting up a stand for public information. We will also be setting up a stand for information on how to obtain a brick around the memorial.

We will be start set up on the 14th and taking down on the 16th or 17th . Depending on the tent company.

This event will also consist of the following:

- Raffles
- Games for the kids
- Music
- Food
- Beer
- Dunk tank
- Lots of fun

The park will be fenced off on the Church street side and on the railroad parking lot side along with the road. There will be beer tickets sold and only people with the appropriate wrist band will be allowed to buy them or to be served beer. There will be several volunteers and Grubber Security along with myself monitoring the grounds at all times to insure the safety of everyone and that no minors are consuming alcohol. There will be someone at the entrance of the beer tent checking ID's and handing out wristbands. The wrist bands will indicate who is of legal age.

There will be no glass allowed on the grounds. There will also be port-a-pots available on the grounds.

I have enclosed a map of the projected set up, and a letter from my insurance company verifying my coverage for this event.

I would like to thank you at this time for your time and consideration.

Barb Jacob
owner of Big Hunchies

Date 7-24-12

APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT

Southside Park Fundraiser + American Legion Post 6

Name of Group 1616 Depot St Apt A St. Pt. Telephone Number 715-342-1390
54481
Street Address City Zip Code

Are you a 501 (C-3) non-profit organization? no yes, Tax Exempt No. 80-083342

Barb Jacob 715-342-1390
Applicant's Name Home Telephone Number

1616 Depot St Apt A
Address Business Telephone Number

SECTION A:

TYPE OF EVENT (Check all appropriate block(s) and circle type of event)

- Athletic Activity (tournament or sports event)
- Financial Gain Special Event on Parkland (Concert, festival, circus, carnival show, assembly/MUST submit layout map of area)
- Free Special Event on Parkland (Concert, festival, circus, carnival show, assembly/MUST submit layout map of area)

ANY PROFIT GOES BACK INTO THE PARK

Name of Activity/Purpose Fundraiser for playground equipment

Assembly Area: Veterans memorial Park Dispersal Area: _____

Event Date(s): 9 15 2012 Estimated Attendance _____
Month Date Year

Event Starting Time: ___ a.m. 12 p.m. Ending Time: ___ a.m. 11 p.m.

When will you set-up (date & time): 9/14/12 10:00 AM

PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES:

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Admission/entry fee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fireworks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financial gain activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amusement rides	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Concession sales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Erection of tents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Beer sales (requires special permit)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amplification Equip.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vendor displays/sales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Musical Bands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electricity needed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Horses/animals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Portable toilets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Boats/snowm/ATV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Barricades needed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Street closure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Army National Guard - vehicle table for bricks

SECTION B:

1. Please explain the purpose and nature of your event including all planned activities: attach additional sheet if necessary. we are holding a fundraiser, sell food & beer. Along with baked sale, raffle tickets games and music & a band to raise money for play ground equipment.
2. How will you advertise this event?
Paper & signs
3. Name of vendor who will supply fermented malt beverages: Genera Beer & Beer's
What quantities will be ordered? 6 1/4 barrels
4. Describe your planned method of crowd control? Crumber Security and volunteers
5. Please check the item below which best describes your method of financing, purchasing and dispensing of your fermented malt beverage and/or food:
 The organization will purchase beverage from the general treasury and give them to any person during the event.
 The organization will purchase beverage from the general treasre and sell them to members during the event.
 The organization shall collect a predetermined amount from all those planning to attend and serve food and/or beverage for prepaid members only.
 The organization shall purchase all food and/or beverage from the general treasury and sell them to anyone. of legal age
 All members will bring their own fermented malt beverage for their own consumption.
 Other, please describe: _____
 Fermented malt beverages will not be dispensed in any way.

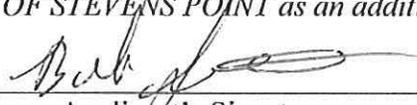
The person/group named on this application will be responsible for the conduct of the special event and for the condition of the facility. We will not deny anyone the benefits

of, or otherwise subject anyone to discrimination because of race, color, creed, national origin, sexual orientation, handicap or religion.

The applicant for her/himself and for other persons, organizations, firms and corporations, if any listed in this application, being of sound mind and body, do hereby freely, voluntarily and knowingly, now and for all times, fully save and hold harmless, the CITY OF STEVENS POINT, a Wisconsin Municipal Corporation located in the County of Portage, and each and every of its elected and appointed officials, employees, representatives, agents, heirs, and assigns, jointly and severally from and against any and all claims, causes of action, actions, liabilities, demands, losses, damages, and/or expenses of whatsoever kind and nature including counsel or attorneys' fees, which I have or may, at any time, incur or sustain arising from, resulting from, incurred in consequence of, or pertaining to, any and all intentional and negligent acts, omissions, incidents, activities and transactions, of whatever kind and nature, direct or indirect, of mine own and those of or by the CITY OF STEVENS POINT, and each and every of its elected and appointed officials, employees, representatives, and agents, regardless of when or where, occurring or arising from this event.

Any special event sponsor that is renting the park(making payment to the City of Stevens Point) shall submit a general liability insurance policy certificate in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 naming the CITY OF STEVENS POINT as an additional insured party.

7-24-12
Date


Applicant's Signature

Administrative Action: _____
Parks Commission Action: _____
Public Protection Action: _____
City Council Action: _____

DIVISION / CHURCH ST.

Hill

FENCE

Band Tent

Beer Tent

Food

FRANK

SWINGS

PARKING LOT

TURN OF THE CENTURY

Monroe St.

Street closed

National Guard Army Vehicle

HUNCHIES

DEPOT

