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1. Roll Call

Present - Glodosky, Hall, Markham, Sevenich, McDonald, Moore, Hahner

Absent Excused - Curtis, Freckmann, Sorenson, Okonek

Also Present - Larry Steltenpohl, Greg Hesch, Kareen Everman, Tom Schrader, Carole Francel

2. Approval of the March 2, 2005 Minutes

Motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Markham to approve the Minutes of the March 2, 2005 Meeting.

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

3. Update of KASH Playground

Schrader presented 4 sheets of diagrams showing location, types of equipment, layout of playground and sensory gardens. He mentioned that this project was approved over a year ago. Patti Drier and Kareen Everman are working on trying to obtain a WIDNR Grant to fund 50% of the project. The total cost would be approximately \$550,000.00. A resolution applying for this WIDNR grant has been prepared and forwarded to the Common Council for approval at this month's council meeting. If money comes through from the Grant and the KASH Committee is successful in raising the other half of the funds, we hope to start construction this fall, with completion of the project by the summer of 2006. Schrader highlighted things such as 4 stall handicapped parking area, blacktop going to shelter, tennis courts up to the river and a small restroom by the playground. The playground will have a rubberized surface, color coordinated for visual effect, elevated sandbox and a canopy entrance. They are working with Master Gardeners on the sensory gardens which will include smell, sight and touch for the children to experience.

McDonald questioned whether this would affect the bike route and Schrader said no; that would stay intact as they would have a sidewalk to use. She also wondered if any of the newly planted memorial trees would have to be removed and Schrader said no; they are a distance away from the playground area.

Markham inquired whether the water would run through on this rubberized surface and Everman explained that there would never be any water standing.

Hahner asked who drafted this resolution and Schrader said that we did as per a WIDNR form provided in the application.

Everman specified that fund raising has started with the County giving \$20,000.00 and she is finding great cooperation from everyone she has approached.

4. Request to Hold Special Event in Pfiffner Pioneer Park on August 6, 2005 (Central WI Pride Committee)

Application reviewed.

Schrader said he will provide a better base map of the park, in the future, along with aerial photo's to make it easier for those requesting to rent the Park. This group is waiting as a non-profit to vend beer.

Motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Hahner to approve the Special Event in Pfiffner Pioneer Park on August 6, 2005 by Central WI Pride Committee.

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

5. Request to Hold Special Event In Pfiffner Pioneer Park on June 18, 2005 (Town of Hull First Responders)

Application reviewed.

Schrader said they are also waiting on a non-profit group to vend beer.

Markham asked when they are required to have porta pots and Schrader said he will make it more clear that when they rent Pfiffner Pioneer Park, they do not have to have porta pots because of the large bathroom facility. In the other parks, if they are looking at 400-500 people, they should have porta pots to accommodate that large a number of people.

Hall asked who supplies the porta pots and Schrader said the group pays for them.

Moore inquired about the security and Schrader said that sometimes it is better to get private security as they are bonded and better to use, but groups can provide their own security according to our policy. However, as per our policy, if beer is being sold, they would be required to hire police in addition to private/their security.

Motion was made by Sevenich, seconded by Hall to approve the Request to Hold Special Event in Pfiffner Pioneer Park on June 18, 2005 (Town of Hull First Responders).

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

6. Director's Report

- April 29, Arbor Day Celebration at Jefferson School; 20 trees planted on Lincoln and Fremont Streets.

- May 1, Parks open and lodge reservations taken for 2006.

- April 25-May 7, city residents may register for summer programs; May 7 general registration from 9:30-2:00.

- April 30, Hunger clean-up to include following areas: Bukolt, Green Circle, Michigan underpass, Patch Street, Downtown, roadway on Bliss Avenue and Northpoint Dr. to Bukolt.

7. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Commissioners, Motion was made by Sevenich, seconded by Moore to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

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