

Meeting Minutes

Board of Park Commissioners Minutes

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1. Roll Call

Present Glodosky, Sevenich, Freckmann, Phillips, Moore, Curtis,

Absent Excused Okonek, McDonald, Sorenson, Aldinger

Absent Unexcused Finn

Also present Jo Seiser, Mary Blavat, Jane Burroughs, Tom Schrader, Carole Francel

2. Approval of the October 1, 2003 Minutes

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Curtis to approve the Minutes of the October 1, 2003 Meeting.

Ayes: all, Nays: none. Motion carried.

3. Discussion on Draft of Update Comprehensive Outdoor Plan

Last month, discussion was on 6.1 and 7.1 .

Motion was made by Freckmann, seconded by Sevenich to approve the revised draft of 6.1 and 7.1.

Ayes: all, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion and recommendations on 6.2 and 7.2 on Stevens Point Parklands

A. Bukolt Park 6.2

Strike #2 Seiser objects to mowing of area and Phillips said to strike #2

Strike #3 Sevenich felt that the parking area has been improved and we don t want it all concrete. Freckmann felt we should not commit.

Strike #4

#5 Phillips felt that we should leave city garage where it is in the central part of the city. Sevenich likes the way it looks and that it is centrally located. Seiser said that relocating the garage is in the current Riverfront Plan and the city plans to spend \$350,000 sometime in the future, for an addition to facility and wants it removed from the park and she feels that the addition is a waste of money. Glodosky wants us to keep it in the plan and maybe someday it may be relocated. Freckmann said we should keep it where it is for now and worry about it later. Curtis wondered where it could be relocated and maybe could be reviewed at some later date. Schrader said expansion cannot go outside the fence area so expansion would not really change the overall look of the facility as it would remain where it is.

#6 change implemented to followed.

B. Goerke Park 6.2

#1 Add and no further additions to current structure. Curtis said they have already added an addition on to facility. Moore felt the facility is necessary where it is because of its location close to the University. Glodosky felt that the area is extremely congested and Schrader noted that the land is free and if any expansion is to take place in the future, either the Tech school or the Rec Dept. will have to be relocated.

#4, #6, #7, #8 strike. Seiser wondered if a couple picnic tables could be located by the Parker Bldg. close to the road and Schrader said that would not be feasible; we have placed two picnic tables in front of the Rec Center which have been getting some usage.

C. Iverson Park 6.2

#5 three pump houses changed to two

#7 strike

D. Koziczkowski Park 6.2

#3 Seiser said to strike as this is already done. Moore felt the park needs better advertising as people don t know that it even exists and Phillip stated that it is a neighborhood park. Freckmann said that the Audubon Society is very interested in that area and it should be left in its natural setting.

#6 added to work with Audubon Society on expansion of park.

E. Mead Park 6.2

#2 change Consolidated Papers, Inc. to Stora Enso and same name change in #3. Moore wondered why we can t expand the beach. Schrade said that we could expand the current beach area, that the plan is not accurate. However, there is no need to and not with our current budget. Schrader said, that in the future, in an effort to reduce the budget, that the Commission may have to consider not staffing the beaches with lifeguards. Seiser questioned if swimming would be eliminated. The beach would be open but not staffed as the attendance numbers have been very low and could save the city money.

F. Atwell Park 6.2

#1, #2, #3 strike. Add - continue playground equipment replacement program.

G. Hein Park 6.2

#1, #3, #4 strike. Moore questioned whether guarded against was too strong a word and could possibly implement barriers of some kind, be used.

Add #5 Continue playground equipment replacement program.

Skipped down to Pffner/Pioneer Park.

O. Pffner/Pioneer Park 6.2

#3 Seiser wanted to strike this and she feels that her constituents want the area to stay as it is in a neighborhood setting. Jane Burroughs, who lives on Franklin, has asked people using the park for their opinions and feels that the area is safer with the homes. Mary Blavat wanted a guarantee that her home would not be condemned and Freckmann said not to worry as the Park Commissioners/city would follow the plan and only buy land, when it becomes available from a willing seller if the price is right for the city to purchase. Schrader added that it has been in the plans since the early 80 s to expand the park when homes become available. Seiser is strongly against the expansion and wants the Minutes t reflect that.

SECTION 7.2

A. Iverson Park 7.2

#1 strike

#2 Moore would like the word implement replaced with continue the tree planting.

#6 strike Freckmann felt we did not have to acknowledge possible problem to public.

#7 - strike

B. Bukolt Park 7.2

2 Seiser felt that installing another wash room would be a duplication of services and excessive. Along with that would come soda machines and she would hope that they would be hidden somewhat. Glodosky said it is needed because of heavy use of walkers on the Green Circle trail and they do not know that there are bathrooms by Bukolt Lodge. He felt that with plantings around the area, it would not look obtrusive. Schrader mentioned that on the recent survey, it was overwhelming with requests for bathrooms.

#3 Moore questioned the brushing of area east of the rest rooms toward Old Wausau Road and Schrader said that is the Friday property which we do not own. Freckmann said to bear in mind that the word brush can be slanted. Seiser said we need to protect wooded edge north and east.

C. Atwell Park 7.2

#1, #2, #3, #4 strike. Add Update equipment as needed.

E. Mead Park 7.2

#1 strike

#2 strike improve the and add maintain current

#3 strike

#4 strike

#5 strike

#6 Add Support and help develop K.A.S.H. playground area. Curtis said that he is on the K.A.S.H. committee and they may want to blacktop area near road if they have the funds. Hopefully, they hope to have all the money by February, 2004. Seiser would like to see one side of the river left in its more natural state and protected for the view and environment. Freckmann said that perhaps we could back off 10 feet from mowing which would be a small gain for a small price. Schrader asked the Commissioners what should he do as everyone has a different opinion of how the area should be maintained and showed on the map just how small an area we are talking about. Motion was made by Freckmann that we mow no closer than 10 feet from the bank and motion died for lack of a second.

F. Goerke Park 7.2

#3, #4 strike. Moore thought we should have better signage going into park. Add Create better signage to the facilities.

G. Koziczkowski Park 7.2

1 strike.

Add 1. Work with Audubon Society on expansion of park.

Add 2. Work with Audubon Society on developing a birding area in the expansion area.

H. Hein Park 7.2

#2 strike and add consider fencing or other barriers.

O. Pfiffner/Pioneer Park 7.2

#1 add as per adopted Downtown Plan.

#2 add the word public after permanent

#4 strike

Add 5. Develop some type of temporary boat mooring near launch.

Add 6. Purchase or long term easement of the WPS property for park expansion as per the current Riverfront and Downtown plans. Moore felt we support the expansion of the park .

4. Approval of Bernard Landerman Preliminary Plat

Schrader suggested that we take \$250.00 in lieu of lot.

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Sevenich to take \$250.00 in lieu of preliminary plat.

Ayes; all, Nay; none. Motion carried.

5. Approval of 2004-2007 Price Structure

Schrader noted that we would be approving the fees for the year 2004 only.

Motion was made by Freckmann, seconded by Phillips to approve the 2004 prices.

Ayes; all, Nays; none. Motion carried.

6. Director s Report

K.A.S.H. has hired a fund raiser and everything is going as planned.

Survey results are coming in with emphases on more restrooms needed and open space.

7. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Commissioners, Motion was made by Curtis, seconded by Phillips to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Attachment: Approved Sec. 6.1 & 7.1 draft of Sec. 6.2 & 7.2

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