



**TWO
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WISCONSIN

ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Koska Room - Community House 1520 17th
Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members: Daniel Cortte, Brian Gallagher, Travis Kadow, Erin Lamal, Robert Reed Jr., Jason Sharping, Dorothy Tinkham Delo, Adam Wachowski-Council Rep, Jeff Dahlke-Council Rep

PRESENT

Council Rep Adam Wachowski
Dorothy Tinkham Delo

Brian Gallagher
Robert Reed
Council Rep Jeff Dahlke
Jason Scharping

ABSENT

Erin Lamal
Travis Kadow
Daniel Cortte

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Robert Reed, Seconded by Jason Scharping.

3. CORRESPONDENCE - None

4. COMMENTS FOR THE PUBLIC (Limited to 3 minutes each) - None

5. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Community House Access and Security
- B. Urban Forestry Management Plan

A. Community House Access and Security

Two teenagers have been charged with Arson recently prompting us to reviewing ideas/make changes to increase Security and review Access to Community House.

Changes: TRPD are doing nightly walk throughs, we will be adding "You are on camera signs", close problem restrooms in the evening.

Ideas: Volunteer to monitor people in the building, limit elevator use, implement protocol for Fire Ex: notify the Police/Fire Dept, need all clear before people can go back into the building.

B. Urban Forestry Management Plan

Tree inventory was completed for the whole city, it is DNR compliant. Trees are rated from 100% = healthy tree to 0% = dead tree.

It is recommended that 15% and lower rated trees be removed. That includes lots of Ash trees. This will require help from TR Power & Light that can top off trees that are marked for removal as they are doing their usual pruning, some large dangerous trees will need to be removed by professionals, and Parks Dept will be working on removal & getting additional training to handle the rest.

Neshotah & Zander Parks as well as cemetery and library need attention.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Parks and Open Space Planning

1. Survey Results
2. Plan Contents
3. Guest Speaker Updates

A. Parks and Open Space Planning

1. Survey Results

Results - of people that responded - 31 were non-residents, mostly were age 35-44, over 50% of respondents did not have kids in the household, North end of TR can't walk to a park, most people can bike to a park, 26% wanted a pool, 93% feel safe at our parks, most important things are nice restrooms and clean parks.

Ideas - add basketball courts and add picnic shelter to the cemetery.

2. Plan Contents

History, research, planning, SWOT analysis, survey & community feedback, vision & mission, goals & objectives.

3. Guest Speaker Updates

- WI Dept Economic Development of Outdoor Recreation

- Blue Zones - higher life expectancy in these areas - invite ARB & Friends of Senior Center

7. OTHER BUSINESS - None

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

- A. Ice Rink and Skate Rental Operation
- B. Staff Updates
- C. Program Updates

A. Ice Rink and Skate Rental Operation

\$1770 in sales or 354 rentals so far (doesn't include 180 rental from Cool City Christmas), January rentals have been slow to start the month.

B. Staff Updates

Laura Hooper is the new Office Manager since Tammy Stadler has now Retired. Recreation Clerk position is now posted and accepting applications until 1/15/24, will be adding additional part time office assistant in future.

C. Program Updates

- Cool City Christmas was a success!
- Ask Kenny about possible Volleyball program in future.
- TR Teen Night - Jan 19 - Ice Skating Olympics
- Heart A Rama flyer has all of our Concerts in the Park & Bands on the Beach that are scheduled for this summer.

9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETINGS

10. NEXT MEETING

February 14, 2024 at 6pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Brian Gallagher, Seconded by Jason Scharping.