

# ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 6:00 PM

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

## **MINUTES**

## 1. ROLL CALL

Present Board Members: Daniel Cortte, Travis Kadow, Justin Klinkner, Kathy Peterson, Dorothy Tinkham Delo, Jason Scharping, Adam Wachowski- Council Rep, Jeff Dahlke-Council Rep

Excused Board Members: Brian Gallagher, Robert Reed Jr., Chase Mathias

Also Present: Greg Buckley- City Manager, Mike Mathis- Parks & Recreation Director, Megan Marsh- Parks & Recreation Clerk, Bill LeClair- City Council, Darla LeClair- City Council

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kathy Peterson Established Motion to Approve

Brian Gallagher 2nd the Motion

A. October 27, 2022.

## 3. CORRESPONDENCE

A. City Council was presented with historical pictures of Toboggan Sleds in Walsh Field - Interesting and exciting idea for the future.

B. We have an Ice Rink this year in Washington Park. This year it will feature rope lighting inside of the ice.

## 4. COMMENTS FOR THE PUBLIC (Limited to 3 minutes each)

None.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

**A.** Blake from Parkitecture- Neshotah Park Design Increased parking capacity with more functioning lots. Add 3 access routes to the main park with spread out patterns so that entering the beach is not so congested. Create a more inviting entrance to the beach: wider pathway, more lighting, and tree lined entrance. Add a natural, wooden play area at the North end of the park. New constructed pickleball and tennis courts with parking. Dorthy thinks that we are taking too much green space and opening the park will bring in more sand. Mike confirmed not losing green space, but revamping the space. Adam suggested Airbnb spots. Buckley suggested a Trolly to

help with getting around town safely. Adam suggested a turf area for soccer, more activities like Title Town has.

**B.** Neshotah Park Playground Northland's Design is poured in place, wheelchair accessible throughout the playground and has a handicap accessible swing, it creates more appeal throughout the park with suggested colors and design. They will also move old equipment out.

Motion to approve Northland's Design:

Travis Kadow Established Motion to Approve

Daniel Cortte 2nd the Motion

Motion Approved

**C.** City Budget 2023 Implications for Parks Department. Review of Rental Rates and Policies. Review of Rental Rates and Policies- Health Plan Changes affected budget. Staffing- Full staff capacity, had to cut seasonal employees for concessions. Trouble with inflation and competitive pay. Introduced new staff, Megan Marsh- Parks and Recreation Clerk. Programming- Rates increased for rentals. Park Maintenance- Inflation for toilet paper, soap, trashbags, etc. Tree trimming contracting fees are high, but not enough staff to not use contractors. Capital Improvements- DNR grant for kayak vendors (not rental kayak), but for tour guides. Forestry Policy Development- 28k to replace the computer for control building and zones. Adam suggested Neshotah Park lighting needs to be done in 2023.

Motion to approve 2023 Budget

Daniel Cortte Established Motion to Approve

Jeff Dahlke 2nd the Motion

Motion Approved

#### 6. OLD BUSINESS

N/A

#### 7. OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

#### 8. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

WI DNR Urban Forestry Grant – Award Notification Received, Shared Special Event Calendar for 2023, Alcohol Sales Policies and Mobile Trailer.

#### 9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE ADVISORY RECREATION BOARD MEETINGS

Buckley suggested having Blake come back in January with ideas. Paid Parking be brought up at the next City Council Meeting.

#### 10. NEXT MEETING

January 10th, 2023

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

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It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information; no other action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.