PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 2, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Rob Way, Bob Besaw, Lori Dean (in 5:45), John Faucher, Dennis Herter, Bob Marcks, and Henrica Bult

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Mayor Gary Henke

OTHERS PRESENT: Chad Hoerth, Parks & Recreation Director; Kent Hager, City Administrator; Janet Searl, Administrative Assistant; Scott Bellile, New London Press Star

Way called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Herter moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Besaw. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comment. None

Review Proposals/Action to Hire Consultant for Extending Newton Blackmour Trail within City Limits. RFPs were returned from four firms, with bids ranging from $47,000 up to $88,000. Hoerth stated that all of the firms are qualified and he recommends going with Ayres at this time.

Herter moved to recommend to Council to approve the bid from Ayres for $47,200 for the consultant for Extending the Newton Blackmour Trail, seconded by Bult. Motion carried 6-0.

Review Proposals/Action to Hire Consultant for Extending Two Boat Launch Ramps at Riverside Park. Again, four firms returned proposals, with bids ranging from $10,600 to over $48,000. Hoerth recommends going with McMahon for this project.

Besaw moved to recommend to Council to approve the bid from McMahon as the consultant for Extending Two Boat Launch Ramps at Riverside Park for a cost of $10,600, seconded by Herter. Motion carried 6-0.

Discuss/Action on Purchase of DOT Property for Potential Boat Launch. Hoerth contacted the DOT representative and offered $4,000 for the property on the corner of Hwy 54 and River Road. She asked for the tax information of the surrounding property that was used to determine that offer.

*Director's Report

- Department Usage & Financial Statistics for July were handed out.

* There were no questions or comments on the list of events or project updates. Hoerth did report that the new garage is on schedule and there will be a tour on August 11th at 4:30 for City Aldermen.

Chairman's Report. None.

Committee Member's Report. It was noted that a citizen fell in Anchor Park because of an uneven spot in the cobblestone.

Next Month Agenda Items: Draft 2017 department budget and possible review of bids for facility sign projects.

Herter moved to adjourn, seconded by Faucher at 5:54 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Chad R. Hoerth
Director of Park & Recreation