PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

Committee Members Present:	Bob Besaw, John Faucher, Bernie Ritchie Jr., Steve Groat
Absent/Excused Members:	Fred Zaug
Council Members Present:	Mayor Herter, Mike Barrington, Dave Dorsey, Tim Roberts
Other Present:	Chad Hoerth, City Administrator Ginger Arndt, Director of Parks & Recreation Michelle Lambrecht, Public Service Administrative Assistant Luke Hammons, Interim Public Works Director

Besaw called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. Faucher/Roberts moved to approve the agenda. *Motion carried by all.*

Public comment relevant to items on agenda: None presented.

Consider an Ordinance amending Municipal Code 9.126 City Boat Launch Fee: The committee reviewed amended Ordinance 9.126 City Boat Launch Fees.

Faucher/Groat moved to approve amended Ordinance 9.126 City Boat Launch Fees. *Motion carried by all.*

Approval of an Agreement with John Varda, DeWitt LLP for legal services for the Newton Blackmore Trail Project: Committee members reviewed an agreement with Attorney John Varda, DeWitt LLP to create legal documents and negotiate for the development of the Newton Blackmore Trail Extension Project. The estimated cost is $5000 and work towards our efforts of communicating with the rail carrier to update them on the urgency of completing the project in 2022. It was noted that Attorney Varda was previously retained by the city to create agreements for railroad train car use and that Varda is familiar with this portion of the railroad track and this situation.

Faucher/Ritchie Jr. moved that council accepts the Agreement to Hire John Varda, DeWitt LLP for legal services for the Newton Blackmore Trail Project. *Motion carried by all.*

Review 2022 Capital Projects requests: Arndt presented the Department's 2022 Capital Projects list. There were no changes suggested at this time. *No motion was made on this item.*

Director's Report/Memo: The Director's memo was included in the agenda packet and reviewed by the committee.
Years of Service:

- Ginger Arndt (Parks & Recreation Director) will complete 19 years of service on October 28th

Chairman's Report: None presented

Committee Member's Report: None presented

Future Agenda Items:

- Outagamie CORP Plan Update: Mountain Bike Park, Loren Dieck-Outagamie Parks Division Director – October Agenda
- Newton Blackmore Trail Project
- Hatten Park Wall
- Sculpture Trail presentation

Discuss/Confirm next month meeting date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 4:45 p.m.

Recess meeting and transport for Parks Grounds Tour:
Besaw called the meeting to recess at 5:25 p.m. Ritchie Jr./Faucher moved to recess meeting for Parks Grounds tour. *Motion carried by all*
Topics covered:

- River Trail Gazebo/old boat launch docks discussion
- New boat launch docks and Kayak launch
- Hatten Park tennis courts and wall conditions
- Sculpture Trail presentation

Reconvene meeting:
Besaw called to reconvene meeting at 6:37 p.m. Ritchie Jr./Groat moved to reconvene. *Motion carried by all*

There being no further discussion Ritchie Jr./Groat moved to adjourn at 6:38 p.m. *Motion carried by all.*

Ginger Arndt, Director of Parks & Recreation