

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
December 12, 2016**

Approved
January 9, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Chair Dave Pautz called the December 12, 2016 meeting of the Parks Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Chair Pautz, Alderwoman Susanne Mayer, Commissioners Bartoszek, Johnson, Remington, Megna and Nickerson. Superintendent of Public Works Jerry Schaefer and Associate Planner Orrin Sumwalt were also present.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

- II. The citizen comment period was opened at 7:00 p.m. and closed at 7:03 p.m. Two citizens came forward with comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2016.

- III.
A. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Johnson seconded approval of the minutes for the meeting held November 14, 2016 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Park pavilion permits for the 2017 season.

- IV.
A. Commissioner Nickerson motioned to approve park pavilion permits and playground notice for the 2017 season. Commissioner Megna seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Unauthorized resident mowed paths currently located in Pleasant View Neighborhood Park and Victory Creek Special Park.

- B. Commission will review Conservancy Easement to see what is allowed on the parcel donated by MMSD. Discussion only. No motion made.

Discussion and direction of the Parks Commission regarding preferred maintenance method(s) for native woodland edge and open space areas at Pleasant View/Victory Creek Parks.

- C. Superintendent Schaefer informed the Commission that Buckthorn has been cut and removed. Will work on it more in summer when temporary help arrives. Discussion only. No motion made.

Parks maintenance report.

- D. Fence was repaired on the south side of Rathke Park. Also, the old playground equipment from Franklin Woods will be installed at Rathke Park in late winter or early spring. Discussion only. No motion made.

NEW BUSINESS

Request by Dale Pforr, on behalf of Franklin Park Concerts, Inc., for the use of Lions Legend Park pavilion and band shell for a free concert series, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the following dates: June 25, 2017, July 9, 2017, July 23, 2017, August 6, 2017 and August 20, 2017.

V.

A. Alderwoman S. Mayer motioned to approve the request by Dale Pforr for use of Lions Legend Park pavilion and band shell for free concert series. Commissioner Megna seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Status of pedestrian bridges for Ernie Lake Special Park, located at 8000 South Chapel Hill Drive, and River Park Trail (Pedestrian Access and Bicycle Path Easement), located at approximately 5473 West River Park Court.

B.

1. Motion to pursue final costs and bids for installation of a bridge at Ernie Lake Special Park. Initially it was estimated at \$25,000 - \$30,000. Commissioner Nickerson motioned and Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted "aye". Motion carried.
2. Motion to recommend City Engineer consider alternative and less costly solutions to crossing the creek at 5473 West River Park Court. Commissioner Johnson motioned and Commissioner Remington seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted "aye". Motion carried.

Evergreen Park Estates Preliminary Plat.

C.

Discussion and information only. No motion made.

NEXT MEETING DATE

VI.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is Monday January 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

VII.

Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Megna seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting of December 12, 2016 at 9:02 p.m. All voted 'aye'. Motion carried.