

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
June 8, 2015**

Approved
July 13, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Chairman Dave Pautz called the June 8, 2015 regular meeting of the Parks Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room of Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Chairman Pautz and Commissioners James Bartoszek, Anthony Megna, Philip Nickerson, and Mary Remington. Excused was Alderwoman Kristen Wilhelm. Superintendent of Public Works Jerry Schaefer and Planner II Orrin Sumwalt were also present.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

- II. The citizen comment period was opened at 7:01 p.m. and closed at 7:03 p.m. One citizen came forward with comments and concerns regarding building and maintenance of the Kayla's Krew playground.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2015

III.

- A. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Megna seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held May 11, 2015 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Special Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2015

Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Remington seconded approval of the minutes of the Special meeting held May 18, 2015 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Kayla's Krew playground project
status update.

IV.

- A. Planner II Sumwalt updated the Parks Commission on the progress to date of the Kayla's Krew Playground project. The Special Exception to Natural Resource Features application was approved by Common Council, and Plan Commission approved the Site Plan. No action needed, none taken.

Complete Streets and Connectivity
Committee recommended trail-
related projects for consideration of
potential impact fee expenditures.

- B. The recommended trail-related projects by the Complete Streets and Connectivity Committee for consideration of potential impact fee expenditures were discussed. On general consensus the trail diversion along West Puetz Road through Franklin Woods was taken under advisement. Other items approved by general consensus were the trail connecting Christine Rathke Memorial Park to the Oak Leaf Trail, the proposed Franklin Hike & Bike Trail along West Forest Home Avenue, and the trail through the Southbrook Church site at 11010 West St. Martins Road.

2014 4th Quarter financial report-
park spending and impact fees.

- C. Parks Commissioners reviewed the 2014 4th Quarter financial report regarding park spending and impact fees. Discussion only regarding combining Lapsing Schedule with Community Center. No action needed, none taken.

Parks maintenance report.

- D. Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer presented the Parks maintenance report and indicated the counter for the Lions Legend Park I pavilion will be installed next week, and the Crooked Creek walking trail needs tree remediation for Emerald Ash Borer. No action needed, none taken.

NEW BUSINESS

Request by Nicole Herman, Girl Scout Co-Leader for Troup #3450, to place Geocaches (for Scout educational purposes) within Pleasant View Park, Christine Rathke Memorial Park and Lions Legend Park I or II.

V.

- A. Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the request of Nicole Herman, Girl Scout Co-Leader for Troop #3450, to place geocaches within Pleasant View Park, Christine Rathke Memorial Park and Lions Legend Park I or II for Scout education purposes. Commissioner Remington seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Review of the condition of the Catalpa tree on the west side of the parking lot at Franklin Woods Nature Center Special Park located at 3723 West Puetz Road.

- B. Commissioner Megna moved to remove the Catalpa tree on the west side of the parking lot at Franklin Woods Nature Center Special Park located at 3723 West Puetz Road due to its poor condition and low prospect of improvement. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Review and recommendation to the Common Council regarding the cost of painting the two (2) tennis courts blue, instead of green, at Pleasant View Neighborhood Park.

- C. Motion by Commissioner Remington to recommend to Common Council that the two tennis courts at Pleasant View Neighborhood Park be painted green as an effort to save the additional cost involved in blue paint. Commissioner Nickerson seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

2016 Budget. Parks Commission request for information on personnel additions, Capital Outlay Fund needs, Equipment Revolving Fund needs, Street Improvement Fund needs and Major Capital Expenditures to be made with borrowed funds.

- D. On general consensus it was agreed to postpone discussion of the 2016 Parks Budget to the next scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- VI.** The next scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is Monday, July13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- VII.** Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Remington seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting of June 8, 2015 at 9:07 p.m. All voted 'aye', motion carried.