

CITY OF FRANKLIN  
PARKS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

Approved  
April 13, 2009

**March 9, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Chairman Pautz called the regular meeting of the Parks Commission meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Hearing Room of Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Chairman Pautz and Commissioners Bartoszek, Megna, Nelson, Nickerson and Alderman Solomon. Excused was Commissioner Dorsan.

Planner I Orrin Sumwalt and Superintendent of Public Works Jerry Schaefer were also present.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

- II. The citizen comment period was opened at 7:04 p.m. John Windowski, Business Administrator for St. Martin of Tours Parish, came forward and presented the Commission with a letter, dated May 20, 2008, from parish leaders who are opposed to the St. Martins Bike Trail in the vicinity of the parish property and supporting the City of Muskego option of a bike trail along South North Cape Road. With no other citizens coming forward the comment period was closed at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -  
February 9, 2009

- III.A. Commissioner Megna moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held February 9, 2009. Upon voice vote, all others voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update to Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP). Time line for completion.

- IV.A. The Parks Commission reviewed the 13 proposed projects and the update to the Plan to show a bridge connecting the River Park and River Park Addition No. 2 Subdivisions from West River Park Court to South River Lane. Discussion only. No action taken.

St. Martins bike and hiking trail update.

- IV.B. Alderman Solomon presented the update on the St. Martins bike and hiking trail. He noted that the project period for the grant expires on June 30, 2009.

Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Bartoszek seconded a motion to direct staff to prepare a council action sheet asking to proceed with Department of Natural Resources approval for the 116<sup>th</sup> Street trail plus the costs of the North Cape Road alternative. The Council Action Sheet should include direction to contact the DNR, a request for grant extension, a request to update the We Energies contract, and direction to bring a proposal to council for bid. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

Parks maintenance report.

- IV.C. The Parks Commission considered new grills for the grill pits at Legend Park, painting the shelter at Lions Park, and the Crooked Creek walking trail. Discussion only. No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

Music at the Market Square gazebo at West Church Street and West Franklin Street during first Monday of the month St. Martins Fair dates.

- V. A. Alderman Solomon moved and Commissioner Megna seconded a motion to approve the use of the Market Square gazebo by the Fair Commission on the first Monday of the month St. Martins Fair dates, without charge, if the gazebo has not been reserved. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

Ordinance 2008-1957, People Uniting for the Betterment of Life and Investment in the Community ("Public") Grant Program, adopted by the Common Council on October 21, 2008.

- B. Discussion only. No action taken.

Request by Franklin High School and the Franklin Recreation Department:

-Use of three Lions Legend Park tennis courts for Franklin High School tennis camp, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, June 22, 2009 through June 25, 2009 (rain date: June 26, 2009).

-Use of three Lions Legend Park tennis courts for Franklin Community Education and Recreation Lessons, 8:30 a.m. through 12:00 noon, June 29, 2009 through July 9, 2009 (rain date: July 10, 2009); July 13, 2009 through July 23, 2009 (rain date: July 24, 2009) and 8:30 a.m. through 11:30 a.m., July 27, 2009 through August 6, 2009 (rain date: August 7, 2009).

Request by Milo and Betty Collins for use of all Lions Legend Park tennis courts for an outdoor tennis party, 3:00 p.m. through 5:00 p.m., May 16, 2009 (rain date: May 23, 2009).

Request by Gail Champion, Franklin High School boys varsity tennis coach, for use of four Lions Legend Park tennis courts for boys varsity tennis team practice, from 3:15 p.m. through 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, March 30, 2009 through May 15, 2009 (Courts will be used on Monday and Wednesday only once matches begin, and Friday practice ends at 4:30 p.m.).

2025 Comprehensive Master Plan Update, Chapter 3 draft, "Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources".

NEXT MEETING DATE -

ADJOURNMENT

C. Commissioner Bartoszek moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded a motion to approve use of the tennis courts for the Franklin High School tennis camp for the dates as outlined by the Franklin Recreation Department. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

Commissioner Nickerson moved and Alderman Solomon seconded a motion to approve use of the tennis courts for the Franklin Community Education and Recreation tennis lessons for the dates as outlined by the request by the Franklin Recreation Department, noting that the courts would not be available for use July 1, 2, 3 and 4, and signs must be posted by the Franklin Recreation Department regarding the planned use two weeks in advance. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

D. Alderman Solomon moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded a motion to deny the request by Milo and Betty Collins for use of the Lions Legend Park tennis courts for an outdoor tennis party and directed a letter be sent to the petitioner denying the request. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

E. Commissioner Bartoszek moved and Commissioner Megna seconded a motion to deny the request by the Franklin High School tennis coach for use of the Lions Legend park tennis courts. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye'.

F. Review and discussion only. No action needed.

VI. Next meeting scheduled April 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

VI. Alderman Solomon moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting at 8:49 p.m. Upon voice vote, all voted 'aye' Motion carried.