

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
November 9, 2015**

Approved
January 11, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Chairman Dave Pautz called the November 9, 2015 regular 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 Chairman Pautz, Alderwoman Susanne Mayer (arrived at 7:40 p.m.), and Commissioners James Bartoszek, Anthony Megna, Philip Nickerson, Mary Remington; and introduction of new Parks Commission member Clarke Johnson. 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 7:14 p.m. and closed at 7:30 p.m. One citizen offered comments regarding the Kayla's Krew playground project, and concerns regarding the Pleasant View Neighborhood Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2015
and Special Parks Tour Meeting of
October 10, 2015

III.

- A. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Remington seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held August 10, 2015 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Commissioner Megna moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded approval of the minutes of the Special Parks Tour meeting of October 10, 2015 as presented. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Kayla's Krew playground project
status update.

IV.

- A. Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer updated the Parks Commission on the status of the Kayla's Krew Playground project. He indicated that the restroom installation is nearing completion and then will be closed for the season. Sidewalk and pavers for the park area will be installed in Spring 2016. No action needed, none taken.

2015 nine month financial report -
park spending and impact fees.

- B. Discussion only regarding the 2015 nine month financial report on Park spending and impact fees. It was indicated that the 2016 budget will be available after the scheduled public meeting on the City Budget. No action needed.

Potential acquisition of property for
public park purposes in the general
southwest area of the City of
Franklin.

- C. Commissioner Nickerson moved to enter Closed Session at 7:47 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1) (e), for market competition and bargaining reasons, to consider the potential acquisition of properties to be used for public park purposes in the general southwest are of the City as contemplated by the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2025, and to reenter open session at the same place thereafter to act on such matters discussed therein as it deems appropriate. Seconded by Commissioner Megna. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Item IV. C. continued:

Upon reentering open session at 8:32 p.m., motion by Commissioner Nickerson to table Item C. of the potential acquisition of property for public park purposes in the general southwest area of the City of Franklin pending Department of Natural Resource review of Waste Management expansion and possible land availability. Seconded by Alderwoman Mayer. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Parks maintenance report.

D. Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer presented the Parks maintenance report and indicated the exercise equipment had been installed at Ernie Lake Trail park, the metal climbers located at Glen Meadows and Friendship Parks had been freshly painted, and shelters located within the parks were being winterized. No action needed.

NEW BUSINESS

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

V.

A. Alderwoman Mayer moved to table discussion on the unauthorized mowing of non-approved paths in the Pleasant View Neighborhood Park and Victory Creek Special Park by a City resident until such time as District #3 Alderwoman Wilhelm has been informed and contacted on her view regarding a process for resident use of the trails and needs of the trail by the Franklin High School sports department. Seconded by Commissioner Johnson. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Motion by Alderwoman Mayer to create a sub-committee consisting of Parks Commissioners Clarke Johnson (chairman), Phil Nickerson, Mary Remington, and Alderwoman Mayer, and Department of Public Works Superintendent Jerry Schaefer, to discuss use of City Park trails and other assets. Commissioner Remington seconded the motion. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE

VI. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

VII. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Alderwoman Mayer seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting of November 9, 2015 at 9:09 p.m. All voted 'aye', motion carried.