CITY OF FRANKLIN PARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES April 9, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

I. Chairman Pautz called the April 9, 2012 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, Alderman Solomon, and Commissioners Bartoszek, Dorsan, Heigl, Nickerson, and Megna.

Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer and Planner II Sumwalt were also present.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

II. The citizen comment period was opened at 7:09 p.m. and closed at 7:11 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

III.

February 13, 2012

A. Commissioner Megna moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held February 13, 2012 as presented. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

IV.

Senior citizen parks.

A. No action was needed at this time regarding providing outdoor recreational facilities for senior citizens at City parks in areas of the City with concentrated populations of senior citizens.

Friends of Franklin Parks - update.

B. Commissioner Dorsan reported that the Friends of Franklin Parks will likely conduct a buckthorn removal project on June 9th. Areas of interest include Lake Ernie, Franklin Woods and Lion Legends Park. The group will also hold two events this summer. No action was needed, none taken.

Franklin Trails Committee request for approval to proceed with the Outdoor Recreation Grants Applications.

C. Franklin Trails Committee Chairman David Fowler presented the request by the Trails Committee for approval of the Parks Commission to proceed with the Outdoor Recreation Grant applications.

Commissioner Dorsan moved and Alderman Solomon seconded a motion to recommend approval of a resolution in support of a Knowles-Nelson State Stewardship Grant application by the City of Franklin Common Council for a multi-purpose trail on lands located to the south and southeast of Pleasant View Elementary School subject to the trail being placed contiguous to the Pleasant View Neighborhood Park property. On voice vote, all voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Parks maintenance report.

D. Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer presented the Parks Maintenance report, indicating the baseball diamonds and City parks are being opened, and the Ken Windl Park improvements and renovations are basically done. No action needed, none taken.

NEW BUSINESS

V.

Milwaukee County Parks and Parkways Public Information Meeting, March 27, 2012 - summary. A. No action needed on the Milwaukee County Parks and Parkways Public Information meeting held March 27, 2012.

Annual Parks Commission park tour, May 2012, Park locations.

B. On general consensus it was agreed to schedule the annual Parks tour on May 28, 2012 and to meet at Vernon Barg Park to begin the tour at 8:30 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE

VI. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is May 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

VII. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Heigl seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting at 8:27 p.m. All voted 'aye', motion carried.