

CITY OF FRANKLIN
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
March 8, 2010

Approved
April 12, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

- I. Chairman Pautz called the March 8, 2010 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, Commissioners Bartoszek, Nelson and Nickerson. Excused were Commissioners Dorsan 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 7:04 p.m. Kelly Hazlett, 4303 W. Woodward Drive, spoke for the request by GALA Micro Spa for the use of the Vernon Barg Pavilion to host "Walk 4 Water". Coming forward to speak on the Crystal Ridge item were Kevin Klein, 4174 W. Hilltop Lane, Janice Coenen, 9059 S. Deerbrook Court, James O'Malley, 8536 S. River Terrace Drive, Ray Kowalski, 8817 S. Golden Court, and Hoang Nguyen, 4136 W. Southwood Drive. With no more citizens coming forward the comment period was closed at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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- III.
A. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Nelson seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held February 8, 2010. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Request by Rob Boyce for use of Lions Legend Park II for an outdoor fitness instruction class.

- IV.
A. Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend approval of the use of Lions Legend Park II grass areas and benches for an outdoor fitness instruction class by Rob Boyce, CSCS, Certified Personal Fitness Trainer, beginning in April of 2010 thru October 2010, Monday through Friday, from 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m., with \$100 low impact fee and to review the request for complaints after the second 4 week session. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.

Development of naming policy for City Parks, Buildings, Facilities and property.

- B. The revised policy has been referred to the Board of Public Works for consideration and comments and then to Council for approval. No action needed; none taken.

Friends of Franklin Parks' formation consideration.

- C. Discussion only on the tasks to assign to the Friends of Franklin Park's. No action needed; none taken.

Proposed signage identifying the Lions Legend Park band shell on Schlueter Parkway.

- D. The signs as approved have been placed on order. No action needed; none taken.

Emerald ash borer update.

- E. Alderman Solomon moved to request the Emerald Ash Borer Committee consider retaining the two baseball diamonds at the Public Works building site in their current state; and consider purchasing additional land to marshal the diseased ashes from contaminated wood. Seconded by Commissioner Nelson. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.

- Franklin Trails Committee update. F. Dave Fowler of the Franklin Trails Committee presented an update of the current work, specifically noting the Department of Transportation notification to communities so trails could be considered.
- Parks maintenance report. G. Department of Public Works Superintendent Schaefer presented the Parks maintenance report and informed the Commission that block grant funds were obtained to remodel the restroom facilities for ADA accessibility at Lion's Legend Park. Work will begin in April with completion set by Memorial Day 2010. No action needed; none taken.
- NEW BUSINESS: V.
- Request by GAIA Micro Spa for use of the Vernon Barg Pavilion to host "Walk 4 Water" A. Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend approval of the request by GAIA Micro Spa, 7720 S. Lovers Lane road, Suite 260, for the use of the Vernon Barg Pavilion to host "Walk 4 Water" (The Alliance for the Great Lakes fundraiser) on Sunday, April 18, 2010, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, subject to applicant obtaining a Park Permit. Seconded by Alderman Solomon. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.
- "In Celebration of Trees" Boerner Botanical Gardens education event B. Discussion only on the Boerner Botanical Gardens educational event, "In Celebration of Trees", on Sunday, April 25, 2010, 12:00 noon until 4:30 p.m. No action needed; none taken.
- Crystal Ridge Ski Hill Special Use permit. C. Commissioner Nelson moved to request the Common Council enter into, or resume negotiations with Milwaukee County for further development of the Crystal Ridge site, and adjacent areas, as a park and viable recreational facility. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.
- Request by Franklin High School and the Franklin Recreation Department for use of Lions Legend Park tennis courts D. Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend approval of the request by Franklin High School for use of three Lions Legend Park tennis courts for Franklin High School tennis camp, 8:00 a.m. to 12:20 p.m., June 21, 2010 through June 24, 2010 (rain date: June 25, 2010); and the request by the Franklin Recreation Department for use of three Lions Legend Park tennis courts for Franklin community education and recreation tennis lessons, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m., July 12, 2010 through August 5, 2010 (rain date: July 30, 2010/August 6, 2010) and August 9, 2010 through August 19, 2010 (rain date: August 13/20, 2010). Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.
- NEXT MEETING DATE VI. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is April 12, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.
- ADJOURNMENT VII. Alderman Solomon moved and Commissioner Nelson seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting at 9:15 p.m. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.