

CITY OF FRANKLIN  
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 11, 2010

Approved  
November 8, 2010

**CALL TO ORDER**

- I. Chairman Pautz called the October 11, 2010 regular meeting of the Parks Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Building Inspection Conference Room of Franklin City Hall, 9229 West Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin.

Present were Chairman Pautz, Alderman Solomon, Commissioners Bartoszek, Megna, and Nickerson. Excused were Commissioners Dorsan and Nelson. Superintendent of Public Works Schaefer and Planner II Sumwalt were also present.

**CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD**

- II. The citizen comment period was opened at 7:01 p.m. and closed at 7:01 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September 13, 2010

**III.**

- A. Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Megna seconded approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held September 13, 2010 as presented. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Parks permits for 2011 season.

**IV.**

- A. Alderman Solomon moved and Commissioner Nickerson seconded a motion to refer to the City Clerk a request for a procedure to expedite return of security deposits for Park permits. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

Discussion only on Parks permit fees and sale of items for profit as permitted by Park Commission. Inspector Hahn representing the City of Franklin Police Department spoke regarding police issues concerning large group use of City parks and lack of information provided to the Police Department regarding group permits issued. No action needed, none taken.

Park land acquisition SW quadrant of the City of Franklin

- B. Discussion only on the acquisition of park land in the southwest quadrant of the City. Planner Sumwalt spoke to the Parks Commission on the status of the update to the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. No action needed, none taken.

Friends of Franklin Parks – update.

- C. Planner Sumwalt indicated the deadline for entries to the photo contest of Friends of Franklin Parks has been changed to October 23, 2010. No action needed, none taken on the Friends of Franklin Parks.

Emerald ash borer update.

- D. No action needed, none taken on the Emerald Ash borer.

Franklin Trails Committee – update.

- E. Franklin Trails Chairman David Fowler indicated that the City had received a Planning Grant of \$50,000, but that it would be necessary to create a position of Coordinator to be paid \$20-30,000. This would then make it possible to receive up to \$500,000 in grant funds to assist with the Safe Routes to School program.

Mr. Fowler stated that continued direction and clarification from the Common Council was received. He also indicated that he would meet with the Franklin School Board regarding Safe Routes to School.

No action needed, none taken on the Franklin Trails Committee update.

Parks maintenance report

- F. Superintendent Schaefer presented the Parks maintenance report and asked for direction on use of park pavilions without permit, and the resulting clean up costs. No action needed, none taken.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Request by Franklin Park Concerts, Inc. for use of Lions Legend park pavilion and band shell for 2011 free concert series.

**V.**

- A. Commissioner Nickerson moved to approve the request by Dale Pforr, on behalf of Franklin Park Concerts, Inc., for the use of Lions Legend Park pavilion and band shell for a free concert series, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the following dates: June 26, 2011, July 10, 2011, July 24, 2011 August 7, 2011, and August 21, 2011 and recommendation upon Public Grant application for the request. Seconded by Commissioner Megna. All voted 'aye', motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

- VI.** The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks Commission is November 8, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- VII.** Commissioner Nickerson moved and Commissioner Bartoszek seconded to adjourn the Parks Commission meeting at 8:25 p.m. All voted 'aye'; motion carried.