

MINUTES
MONONA PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
CITY COUNCIL – CONFERENCE ROOM
5211 Schluter Rd, WI. 53716
Tuesday, June 11, 2019

The regular meeting of the Park and Recreation Board for the City of Monona was called to order by Chair Andrew Kitslaar at 6:34 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Chair Andrew Kitslaar, Co-Chair Doug Wood, Thom Evans, Tony Gomez-Phillips, Rachel Groman, Jennifer Kahl, Kelly Slack, Parks & Recreation Director Jake Anderson, Mayor Mary O'Connor

Absent: Pat Howell, Jeff Hinz

Approval of the Minutes

Thom Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from April 9, April 30, and May 14th, Rachel Groman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Appearances

- A. Parker Waller –4627 Tonyawatha Trl** Mr. Waller spoke on behalf of the Lake Monona Sailing Club in support of improvements at Stone Bridge Park, and asked if a permanent pad for a portable toilet near the road would be considered in the project for park users
- B. Randy Smith – 4224 Winnequah Rd** Mr Smith spoke to the board and discussed current uses of the park in the summer and winter months, and had concerns over the proposed storm water management system and how it would handle the large rain events the park receives. He also spoke in favor of a more natural setting for the park
- C. Meaghan Cibarich – 104 Parkway Dr** – Ms. Cibarich spoke in favor of keeping the park in a more natural setting and enjoys using the park for sledding in the winter and had concerns over the storm water conveyance system
- D. Patricia Smith – 4224 Winnequah Rd** Ms. Smith spoke in favor of keeping an open view of the lake from her residence, and had concerns over the aesthetics and maintenance of the storm water conveyance system

Unfinished Business

- A. Stone Bridge Park Conceptual Plan Discussion/Recommendation**
The Committee discussed the updated conceptual plan for the park and requested further information on the size of the storm water conveyance system as it related to the conceptual design of the park. The questions the need clarification from the consultants include:
 1. What would the storm water system look like conceptually within the context of the rest of the park improvements?
 2. Show a porta potty pad and enclosure near the street where the bike rack and drinking fountain are to be placed
 3. Preserve as much green space as possible with the plan
 4. Is there an option to bring the sidewalk to the north side of the park?
 5. A detail on the outfall of the storm water system as it relates to the bridge, and access path to the stair system?

No action was taken at this meeting and Director Anderson noted he would get answers and an opinion of probable construction cost to the July meeting.

B. River Front Park Naming Discussion/Recommendation

The Committee discussed previously recommended names for the new park at River Front and discussed some new suggestions that were provided by Alder Kitslaar. Names were written on a board and the committee narrowed down to several suggestion and came to the consensus to recommend the name Four Lakes Crossing to signify the park being at the crossing between the 4 major lakes.

Rachel Groman made a motion, seconded by Thom Evans to recommend the name of Four Lakes Crossing to City Council for recommendation. Motion Carried.

New Business

A. 2024 Capital Budget Discussion – 1st Read

Director Anderson presented staff proposed Capital Budgets for Parks, Outdoor Pool, & Community Center and answered questions from board members regarding the projects.

Monona resident Jon Traver was in attendance to provide a report on management plan operations at Woodland Park and also his support for the parking lot project at Woodland Park indicated his family would be willing to make a sizeable donation to see the project happen in 2020. There will be an official agenda item for discussion/recommendation at the July meeting.

Alder Kitslaar asked the committee to review the proposed projects and contact Director Anderson between meetings if they had questions or any additional projects for 2020. Alder Wood asked if Anderson could rank projects in overall priority within the budgets of the Pool, Parks, & Community Center. No action was taken at this meeting.

Director's Report & Questions to Staff from Committee

A. Jake Anderson – Parks & Recreation Director

Director Anderson showed the progress of the lake viewing area at the end of Cold Springs and indicated substantial completion should be done by the end of the month. He thanked his staff for a great start of the pool & summer season and indicated successful events in the first Pop Up Biergarten and Food Cart Cinema and a fun day at Mulligans Fore Monon.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn by Doug Wood seconded by Tony Gomez-Phillips was carried at 8:59 pm.