

CITY OF MENASHA
Parks and Recreation Board
Virtual Meeting
October 13, 2020
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chr. L. Hopwood at 6:05pm.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chr. Dick Sturm (arrived at approximately 6:30p.m.), Brian Adesso, Ald. Ted Grade, Tim Hale, Lisa Hopwood

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Tom Marshall, Melissa Zwach

OTHERS PRESENT: PRD Sackett, Sandra Dabill-Taylor

C. PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

Sandra Dabill-Taylor (545 Broad St.) expressed her concerns about the operational cost of the Senior Center.

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. **Minutes of the September 15, 2020 Park Board Meeting:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to approve the minutes of the September 15 Park Board meeting. Motion carried.

E. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. **Review of Preliminary 2021 Parks & Recreation Department Budgets:**

PRD Sackett gave an overview of the 2021 Park & Recreation Budget.

Questions/Comments by Board members included:

- How much we tax our crews & ability to get projects done or continually deferring them to the following year (Jefferson Park Shorewall project)
- Hart Park Cameras
- Hart Park programs/family events, engage kids

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEAD / STAFF

1. **Park, Pool and Forestry Report:** PRD Sackett reported the following:
 - Bathrooms are closing for the season
 - Will do Fall planting
 - Pickleball/Tennis nets will stay up as long as possible due to interest from public; request to stay up all Winter
2. **Recreation Department / Senior Center Report:** PRD Sackett reported the following:
 - Winter Rec Guide will be distributed in November – online only
 - Mailed sponsorship guide to local businesses
 - Will be offering a modified Great Pumpkin Hunt; no Hometown Halloween event in 2020

G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Sandra Dabill-Taylor commended staff's handling of the COVID regulations, inquired about Memorial Building renovations, commented that the Jefferson Park Vision Plan changes appear to be piece-meal; curious if the sponsorship is soliciting for major donors for Park projects, and opposes a beer garden at Jefferson (it's contrary to health, rec & the mission)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by T. Grade, seconded by L. Hopwood to adjourn at 7:11pm. Motion carried.

