

CITY OF MENASHA
Parks and Recreation Board
City Hall
December 21, 2021
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chr. Dick Sturm at 6:00pm.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chr. Dick Sturm, Brian Adesso, Rachael Dowling, Ald. Ted Grade

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Tim Hale, Lisa Hopwood, Tom Marshall

OTHERS PRESENT: PRD Megan Sackett

C. PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. **Minutes of the November 16, 2021 Park Board Meeting:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by B. Adesso to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2021 Park Board meeting. Motion carried.

E. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. **Reciprocity Agreements:** Director Sackett reviewed the proposed reciprocity agreements with Appleton and Fox Crossing. Past agreements with Appleton and Neenah have been for 5 (five) years; Appleton has amended their agreement to be valid for 2 (two) years so that the participating municipalities can evaluate the program and its benefits. B. Adesso supports all three reciprocity agreements, as he feels they benefit all. Board members asked about how this data is collected (it is largely through our Rec software), if we could breakdown the number of Appleton residents purchasing seasonal boat launches in Menasha, and get more information from Fox Crossing about Menasha residents using FC facilities.
 - a. Appleton: Moved by Ald. Grade to approve the 2 (two) year reciprocity agreement with Appleton, seconded by B. Adesso. Motion carried.
 - b. Neenah: tabled until the next Park Board meeting
 - c. Fox Crossing: Moved by Ald. Grade to approve the 2 (two) year reciprocity agreement with Fox Crossing, seconded by B. Adesso. Motion carried.
2. **Jefferson Park Vision Plan:** Director Sackett reviewed the current Jefferson Park plan and indicated as staff move into the preparation for next phase, staff would like to review the current plan to ensure it meets the current and future uses, as the plan will likely go to Common Council in March. Board members discussed:
 - Relocate parking stalls by the pavilion on Kargus to the west near the new playground and basketball court area.
 - Extend the parking stalls on Third St. from ball diamond area west to Kargus.
 - Tie together the pool building outdoor space and beer garden area.
 - What is the draw of the amphitheater to the public? Perhaps build the concept of the amphitheater into the multipurpose outdoor space by the pool.
 - Would like to consider a fence (or natural habitat) barrier around the playground.
 - Other points of discussion: pavilion renovation, surfacing (limestone vs. mulch or concrete), fireplace area, softball diamonds.

Director Sackett will work with our consultant to review the plan and incorporate ideas that were discussed.

3. **Hidden Pond Park:** Director Sackett provided an update regarding the development timeline

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEAD / STAFF

1. **Department Report:** See attached written report.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Grade, seconded by B. Adesso to adjourn at 7:30pm. Motion carried.