

Menasha aldermen occasionally attend meetings of this body. It is possible that a quorum of Common Council, Board of Public Works, Administration Committee, Personnel Committee may be attending this meeting. (No official action of any of those bodies will be taken).

**CITY OF MENASHA
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

Jefferson Park Pavilion
915 Third Street

**Tuesday, August 9, 2022
5:30PM**

AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES
- C. PUBLIC COMMENT / CORRESPONDENCE
- D. MINUTES TO APPROVE
 - 1. Minutes of the July 12, 2022 Park Board Meeting
- E. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
 - 1. Jefferson Park Tour
- F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEAD/STAFF
 - 1. Department Report
- G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA
 - Five (5) minute time limit for each person
- H. ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF MENASHA
Parks and Recreation Board
Smith Park
July 12, 2022
MINUTES**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chr. Dick Sturm at 5:35pm.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chr. Dick Sturm, B. Adesso, Ald. Ted Grade, T. Hale, R. Dowling, T. Marshall

OTHERS PRESENT: PRD Megan Sackett, DDMO Thad Brown, RS Chloe Hansen-Dunn, Officer Dan Hoernke, Resident Sandra Dabill-Taylor, Melanie Kading

C. PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

1. Sandra Dabill-Taylor pointed out the weeds that have taken over at a few public access points (i.e. end of Appleton Street) and asked about boats parking overnight at public tie outs.

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. **Minutes of the June 14, 2022 Park Board Meeting:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 Park Board meeting.

E. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. **Introduction of Community Liaison Officer Dan Hoernke:** PRD Sackett introduced new Community Liaison Officer Dan Hoernke. Dan indicated he has been with Menasha PD for 11 years and will be transitioning into his new role. Dan gave an overview of the upcoming National Night Out on Wednesday, August 3 which will include demonstrations by officers including K-9, drone, taser, etc. along with Touch-a-Truck and food trucks.
2. **Approve Volunteer Fox Cities Summer Bash at Jefferson Park, August 19, 2022:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by R. Dowling to approve the Volunteer Fox Cities Summer Bash on August 19, 2022.
3. **Approve Jazz Fest at Jefferson Park, September 3 & 4, 2022:** Moved by R. Dowling, seconded by T. Hale to approve Jazz Fest for September 3 & 4, 2022.
4. **Smith Park Tour:** Director Sackett and Deputy Director Brown gave a tour of Smith Park and highlighted some of the recent improvements.

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEAD / STAFF

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

G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Resident Melanie Kading discussed her three main concerns with the Bird Scooters: visual pollution, ADA accessibility of sidewalks and sidewalks being used by private entities to profit.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by R. Dowling, seconded by T. Marshall to adjourn at 6:30pm. Motion carried.

Staff Reports from the Parks, Recreation, Forestry & Cemeteries Department

August 2022

The Lawson Canal project has been a project that has been discussed and worked on since the early 2000s. Over the past couple of years, the City has taken steps to move this project forward as redevelopment continues to happen on the former Banta mill site. The Community Foundation has been closely following the progress of this project and in early 2022, the City of Menasha was invited to apply for the David L. and Rita E. Nelson Family Fund grant through the Community Foundation which supports projects throughout the Green Bay and Fox Valley area that benefit the couple's interest including Parks, Recreation and Waterways. We are happy to announce the City of Menasha recently received a notice of award of a grant in the amount of \$325,000 from the David L. and Rita E. Nelson Family Fund. The grant award will be used to continue to move the engineering and design forward to get this project to the final design and shovel ready. With the estimated cost of the canal restoration project to be about \$2.8M, staff continues to look for additional funding sources including the DNR Stewardship grant which was applied for in April. By receiving this funding, it could create interest from other potential funding sources and increase probability with other grant applications.

PARKS

- Staff finished our second round of playground inspections and report. Routine repairs were made as needed.
- Clovis Grove Park will be getting new playground chips before the start of the school year.
- In mid-June, volunteers from Menasha Corp partnered with United Way and spent the afternoon at Smith Park giving a refreshed look to the Born Learning Trail around the playground. The Born Learning Trail is a series of 10 interactive signs that offer fun learning activities.



FORESTRY

Staff trimmed hazardous branches from a few trees within the parks. EAB injections started this month. In 2022, we will be treating 89 trees.

RECREATION

Fall Preparations: The first draft of the Fall/Winter Activity Guide is complete and the guide will be available online next week.

Recreation Programs: Camp Champs wraps up this week with a lemonade stand on August 4, which will benefit the Jefferson Park Playground fund and a water party on Friday. We've had three weeks of full day camp from 8:00-4:00pm.



Tennis wraps up this week. We hosted a Match Play on July 28 with Appleton and Fox Crossing Tennis participants ages 10-15.

Gymnastics Camp with the school district ran very well. We enjoyed the space in the high school and the energy the kids brought.

Our 2nd Annual Tungate Tussle is scheduled for August 10 with warm up beginning at 5:15pm. Our lower level bracket has a waitlist.

Families First Series Special Events:

Whoa H2Oh! was a great time at Clovis. The giant slip and slides (both the inflatable and the hillside) were favorites. Around 115 people enjoyed the course.



Art in the Park: Weather attempted to dissuade community members from enjoying Art in the Park, but we were able to be in the shelter and great creations were made by about 68 people.

Dive in Movie was a booming success with over 250 people in attendance. We had games and activities that were themed to the movie Luca.

National Night Out was on Wednesday, August 3 with great success. The weather cleared up in time and community members reached out with glowing compliments with a couple hundred people in attendance

Upcoming Events

August 10	Pirate Day at the Pool
August 10	2nd Annual Tungate Tussle Pickleball Tournament
August 11	Brews on Bago
August 12	Lifeguard Olympics at the Pool
August 14	Pool Closes
August 17	Dance Under the Silver Screen featuring "Soul"
August 24	Burgers, Bingo, and Ice Cream Fundraiser



POOL

We've had so much fun with our pop up pool parties—ranging from Fishing Frenzy (which sported minnow racing) Christmas in July with frozen hot chocolate a Diving Board Contest with prizes, and a day filled with Bubbles!

- Splish Splash Storytime has continued to be a great hit with community families.
- Thanks to Alderman Ann Schmidt for teaching the Morning Water Exercise class.
- The pool is nearing the end of its season. Swimming lessons ended last week. The last day open is August 14th with post season cleaning beginning on August 15th.

An historical overview of Menasha Pool Pass and Daily Fee Users

JULY							
	2019		2020	2021		2022	
Type of Pass	Passes Sold Primary Member	Membership Usage (Number of Swipes)	Passes Sold (Primary Member)	Passes Sold Primary Member	Membership Usage (Number of Swipes)	Passes Sold Primary Member	Membership Usage (Number of Swipes)
Adult Ind	9	45	Only M-Passes Sold in 2020 979 Passes Sold 1313 Total Members	11	32	13	55
Youth Ind	37	161		20	59	29	99
Senior Ind	31	111		33	87	47	496
Family/2	42	273		26	180	40	351
Family/3	19	240		12	88	26	207
Family/4	18	339		14	167	34	303
Family/5	13	274		12	285	13	254
Family/6+	22	627		9	177	27	309
Ltd Use Adult	3	—		—	—	11	11
Ltd Use Youth/Senior	18	—		—	30	26	33
2020 Carryover visits					268		
Total Pass Uses		2070	2529		1373		2118
Pay Per Visit Usage		7121			4352		4353
**Total Monthly Uses		9823			6938		6941

**Total Monthly Uses include Camp Champ usage and private party attendance. In 2019, we had a competitive swim group use the pool 4-5 times per week.