

PARK BOARD
MINUTES
Monday, July 9th, 2012
7:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Greg Gall, Orv Dahl, Amy Sikkink, Laura Schaber, Jamie Bjerke & Nick Koverman.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jim Abbott, Travis Gransee, Darlene Gilbeck & Mike Schultz.

AGENDA:

The Board approved the July 9th, 2012 Agenda on a motion by A. Sikkink, seconded by L. Schaber. Motion declared & carried.

MAY MINUTES:

The Board approved the May 7th, 2012 Minutes on a motion by O. Dahl, seconded by L. Schaber. Motion declared & carried.

PARK ACTIVITIES:

R. Schaber reported that the mowing has slowed due to the weather & that it is allowing the Park Department a chance to work on other projects that have been put on the back burner.

RECREATION ACTIVITIES:

R. Schaber reported that Summer Programs have been going well. R. Schaber stated that the only negative comments he has heard this summer has to do with the new Whitewater Country Baseball League. Parents are concerned about the kids having too long of a season & that Park/Rec League games have been cancelled because of kids missing due to the other league having games on the same dates. R. Schaber reminded the Board that the Whitewater Country League is not a Park/Rec Program.

BIKE TRAIL:

R. Schaber reported that there is a meeting on July 13th with the DOT about the Bike Trail to Whitewater State Park. R. Schaber also stated that it is the goal of the committee is to have a yes or no on the trail by this fall.

COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER:

No report.

DOG PARK GRAND OPENING:

R. Schaber reported that the Dog Park Grand Opening in June went really well. Close to 50 people attended the Grand Opening. R. Schaber stated that he has heard nothing but positive feedback about the new Dog Park.

SPEED, AGILITY & FITNESS CAMP REQUEST:

R. Schaber reported that he had a request this summer to allow a group to use the City Park Football Field for this camp. R. Schaber stated that the group did not have their info ready for this year & he told the group to contact in him January of 2013 if they are interested for next year. See attached sheet.

4TH OF JULY EVENTS:

R. Schaber reported that new this year a committee worked on getting more activities/food options at the athletic field before the fireworks. R. Schaber stated that he, Nick Koverman, the St. Charles Fire Department, Lion's Club & Jodi Schilling from KAGE Radio in Winona coordinated new food vendors & drawings for the event. The feedback was great. The group would like to get some events next year for kids.

ASPASIA REQUEST:

The Board agreed to work with Aspasia on a motion by A. Sikkink, seconded by L. Schaber. Motion declared & carried. See attached sheet.

FARM2RAIL:

N. Koverman gave an update on the Farm2Rail project. See attached sheets.

2012 GLADIOLUS DAYS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

The Board approved the 2012 Schedule of Events on a motion by L. Schaber, seconded by J. Bjerke. Motion declared & carried. See attached sheets.

2012 GLADIOLUS DAYS DANCE/DUELING PIANO'S TICKETS PRICES:

The Board set the prices for the Friday & Saturday night events. G. Gall made a motion that the Dueling Piano's price of \$5.00 per/sale & \$8.00 at the door & the Saturday Night Street Dance price of \$10.00 pre/sale & \$13.00 at the door. Motion declared & carried.

CHURCH REQUEST:

The United Methodist Church has requested the City to block the street in front of their church (Church Ave from 7th St. to 9th St.) for a Gladiolus Days event. See attached sheet. The Board approved their request on a motion by J. Bjerke, seconded by G. Gall. Motion declared & carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by G. Gall, seconded by O. Dahl. Motion declared & carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.