

January 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson James Schara at 6:30 p.m.

Excused - Paul Rushing

Terry Wagner inquired as to who would be making the improvements and paying for the construction of the field. Director Hilvo said that it would be either Mercury Marine or Cedarburg Select Baseball because it is not in the City of Cedarburg's budget to build a new baseball field. Several local neighborhood citizens have also expressed that they do not want a practice field built in Prairie View Park because of safety, overuse, traffic and parking issues. Overall, after the Board looked at the current programming in the park, they saw that there would be extremely limited availability for use of the baseball field, so it was decided that building a field would not be appropriate.

Motion made by Glenn Herold, seconded by Scott King, to deny any possible proposals to build a practice baseball field at Prairie View Park. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing excused.

Review Athletic Field Rental Fees for 2017; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained current rental fees and introduced a potential athletic field rental fee for 2017. The fees would be \$10 per hour for a resident of the City of Cedarburg and \$20 per hour for a non-resident. Terry Wagner asked if these fees are comparable to other communities and Director Hilvo stated that they are. Board Members also discussed how many participants must be a resident of the City of Cedarburg and Director Hilvo said it should be 75% at least.

Motion made by Terry Wagner, seconded by Glenn Herold, to approve the addition of athletic field rental fees of \$10 per hour for residents of the City of Cedarburg and \$20 per hour for non-residents with the addition that 75% of a group's participants must be City of Cedarburg residents to receive the resident rate. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing excused.

Consider 2017 Cedarburg Community Pool Fees; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained that since the Town of Cedarburg pulled out of the pool agreement, the Pool Commission will be dissolved and the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Board will now be handling pool related issues. Director Hilvo is not recommending fees be increased this season because fees have increased every previous year in recent history. He believes that since the Town of Cedarburg residents will be considered non-residents at the pool, this will help to increase pool revenues. He is also including a 10% early bird discount and 5% Cedarburg Friends of Recreation group discount if a season pass is bought by April 28, 2017.

Motion made by Glenn Herold, seconded by Scott King, to approve the proposed 2017 Cedarburg Community Pool fees with the addition of a 10% early bird discount and a 5% Cedarburg Friends of Recreation group discount. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing excused.

Discuss Beer Garden at the Cedarburg Community Pool; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained that Gordon Goggins, owner of the Stilt House, has approached him in regards to taking over beer garden operations for the 2017 season. The beer gardens would be at the pool as they were last year, but the Stilt House would take over coordinating the events. They would also split the proceeds from the event with the Cedarburg Friends of Recreation.

Motion made by Scott King, seconded by Glenn Herold, to approve the beer garden schedule and proposal for 2017. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing excused.

Discuss Behling Field Restoration; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo said that because of the creek cleanup, there are numerous barren areas surrounding Behling Field and they need to come up with a plan as to what to put in those areas. Council Member Verhaalen inquired about the number of trees that are still up in the left field area and Director Hilvo said there are not many remaining because of the cleanup path. Director Hilvo asked the Board members to look at these areas and come back to the next meeting with suggestions on what to do with the space.

Discuss Behling Field Storage Shed; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained that he is considering taking down the Behling Field storage shed because it is in bad shape and is an eyesore in the park. He suggested tearing it down and potentially building a new one, if the funding is available. The Board then discussed potential new locations that the shed could be built that would be more accessible for the tractor and small equipment that is housed in it. Council Member Verhaalen suggested that the shed not be torn down until a new plan is in place. The Board agreed and Director Hilvo said he would work on new options and present them at the next meeting.

REPORTS

Superintendent Westphal reported on current parks and forestry projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Dave Polacek, seconded by Glenn Herold, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing excused.

Danny Friess
Recreation Supervisor