PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY BOARD February 7, 2018

A regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board, City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. The meeting was held at City Hall, W63 N645 Washington Avenue, lower level, room 1.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Glenn Herold at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call:	Present -	- Council Member Rick Verhaalen, Glenn Herold, Scott King, Paul Rushing (via phone from 6:40-7:10 pm), Terry Wagner, Dave Polacek
	Excused -	James Schara
	Also Present -	Director of Parks and Recreation Mikko Hilvo Superintendent of Parks & Forestry Kevin Westphal Recreation Superintendent Margie Anderson Recreation Supervisor Danny Friess

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Vice Chairperson Herold acknowledged that the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board agenda was posted and distributed in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Council Member Rick Verhaalen, seconded by Terry Wagner, to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2017 meeting. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing and James Schara excused.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Approval of Prairie View Shelter; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo explained that the shelter at Prairie View Park is in its final phase and will be similar to the shelter in Zeunert Park, but with restroom facilities. He mentioned that \$180,000 has been budgeted for this project and went through the various attachment about the specifications of the new shelter. He also went through the timeline for the project and added that he hopes to have the shelter built by June 2018. Council Member Rick Verhaalen inquired about the potential for vandalism in the shelter and asked if there would be auto-locks on the restroom doors. Director Hilvo said it would be an extra cost and it will be considered.

Motion made by Terry Wagner, seconded by Scott King, to approve the Prairie View Shelter as presented with 1.5 inch China plumbing, sandstone colored roof, Electrical Package and 29 Gallon Max Rib Ultra Metal Roof. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing and James Schara excused.

Consider Use of Recreation Fund Balance For Youth Football Program; and Action Thereon

Director Hilvo described the new Cedarburg Dawgs Youth Football program and explained that the City's flag football program will be aligning with them because we both share the same mission for positive play. He also

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said that he would like to donate \$5,000 of the recreation fund balance to the Dawgs Youth Football program to help support youth in our community through new positive programming. Terry Wagner asked for a more detailed description of the program and a thorough conversation about the league occurred. Scott King inquired if this type of donation would be setting a precedent for future donations for new activity or sports requests. Director Hilvo and Superintendent Anderson said the Department currently offer discounts and donations to various local groups and, in the future, would be open to partnering with other leagues and activities if they share the same mission for supporting the youth of our community through positive play. Paul Rushing was concerned about concussion protocols and wanted to make sure that this new league follows them and guarantees education about helmet to helmet contact and brain injuries.

Motion made by Paul Rushing, seconded by Scott King, to donate \$5,000 from the fund balance to the Dawgs Youth Football program for the advancement of their program with the condition that specific education about helmet to helmet contact and brain injuries be given to all players. Motion carried without a negative vote with James Schara excused and Council Member Rick Verhaalen recused.

<u>Consider Allowing Yarn Decorated Trees in Front of Several Downtown Businesses During the Wisconsin</u> <u>Fiber Arts Tour; and Action Thereon</u>

Director Hilvo explained that he had received a request from the Wisconsin Fiber Arts to be able to decorate trees with yarn in front of downtown businesses during the Wisconsin Fiber Arts Tour on March 16-17. Terry Wagner mentioned that the yarn decorated trees would make a great conversation piece. Glenn Herold asked if the trees would be harmed or injured. Director Hilvo said the yarn would be placed on the tree and not into the tree, so it will not be harmed.

Motion made by Dave Polacek, seconded by Terry Wagner, to approve the request to allow yarn decorated trees in front of several downtown businesses during the Wisconsin Fiber Arts Tour as long as the trees are not injured in anyway. If the trees are harmed, this approval could be revoked. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing and James Schara excused.

REPORTS

Director Hilvo reported on current parks and forestry projects.

Superintendent Anderson reported on current recreation programs and projects including youth basketball, men's basketball, women's volleyball, t-ball, flag football and pool passes.

Superintendent Westphal reported on current forestry projects and thoroughly explained the Tree City USA Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Dave Polacek, seconded by Council Member Rick Verhaalen, to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Paul Rushing and James Schara excused.

Danny Friess Recreation Supervisor