

PARK COMMISSION FEBRUARY 12, 2024

The Park Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Paul Johnson.

Members present: Paul Johnson, Alan Barrows, Mary Ziebell, Tammy Johnson, and Gil Ziebell.

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Pauline Wigderson, Maintenance Supervisor Theresa Fitzsimmons.

It was noted that proper notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the open meeting laws of the State of Wisconsin.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Park Commission acknowledged receipt of the minutes for the Park Commission meeting of November 13, 2023, motion by Alan Barrows to approve the minutes and waive the requirement of reading same, second by Mary Ziebell, motion passed unopposed.

THINK PAWSITIVE DOG TRAINING – 2024 FRISBEE LEAGUE AT WALES COMMUNITY PARK

DISCUSSION: Think Pawsitive Dog Training, out of Waukesha, is requesting to use soccer fields 5, 6, & 7 for 20 weeks to host a canine Frisbee disc league. They have used the park for the past two years and there were no problems with their events. They would be at the park on Sunday evenings from 5:15 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. They could have up to 25 dogs. The dogs have to be registered to play, they just can't show up and play. When the dogs are not running they would either be crated or on leash, they would not be roaming the park. They will have an area for the dogs to relieve themselves, and the area must be cleaned before they leave at the end of the day. There should not be anything that the Village will need to provide for the league. They will be allowed to install signage on the day of the league play, but it must be removed when they leave. The 1st game will be on Sunday, April 21, 2024 and will run through October 2024. They must provide a certificate of insurance, the game schedule and payment prior to the 1st game.

MOTION: Motion by Alan Barrows to approve Think Pawsitive Dog Training to host a canine Frisbee disc league from April 21st through the end of October, and providing the fees, schedule and certificate of insurance before the 1st game, as submitted, second Mary Ziebell. Motion passed unopposed.

QUOTE FROM SEH FOR A COMPREHENSIVE PARK PLAN

DISCUSSION: SEH has submitted a quote of \$21,200.00 to complete a comprehensive park plan for the Village of Wales. The work could be completed in 2024. The last comprehensive plan was completed in 1993 and was only about Wales Community Park. The Park Commission is looking to get two additional quotes. Pauline should make contact with the possible vendors to see if they could attend the next meeting to discuss their quotes. This new comprehensive plan will include all three of the parks, Wales Community, Breconshire and Fireman's. We would like to see accessibility for everyone in the parks. Maybe some lighting in the parking lot at Wales Community. Breconshire may be a great fit for a butterfly garden. We could contact Carrol University, the Native Gardens Group out of North Prairie and Retzer Nature Center to see what they may have to offer.

MOTION: No motion at this time.

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JOBS FOR BUILDING AND GROUNDS

DISCUSSION: Working on the park walk-through items. Completed a maintenance document so we know when things need to be done and no guessing. Would like to remove the soccer field fence and replace then with field stone/new fencing/barricades. Will be contacting the School District to see if they would do a cost share with new bleachers for the baseball diamonds. Seasonal employment ad is out and have received a couple of new applications. Three of last year's employees will be returning for the 2024 season. Will be starting to do replace the street signs that were damaged over the winter. They are working on removing tree limbs that are hanging in the street areas.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mary Ziebell to adjourn, second by Alan Barrows, motion passed, unopposed. The regular Park Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Pauline Wigderson, Secretary