

PARK COMMISSION JUNE 10, 2024

The Park Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Acting Chair Alan Barrows.

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

Excused: Paul Johnson

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Pauline Wigderson, Maintenance Supervisor Theresa Sadler, Nate Day of SEH, Tony Scrima and Andreas Davi.

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 May 13, 2024, motion by Mary Ziebell to approve the minutes and waive the requirement of reading same, second by Tammy Johnson, motion passed unopposed.

MILWAUKEE TORRENT WALES SOCCER UPDATE

DISCUSSION: Spring soccer is now complete. There were 632 participants in the program, and there were 53 teams. They did have enough coaches and referees this season. They did put on a ref training class and over 60 (adults & kids) participated, with 20 for Wales. There was one U15 team that played as select soccer and they anticipated 3 teams in the fall to be select soccer. The cost is about \$35 more due to the cost of having two jerseys. The fields were able to handle the number of kids playing. The fields were split for practice. There are some fields that need to have spots repaired and if this can be done over the summer, then they would be ready for the fall. There will be some summer camps on the fields, but Andi will keep players off those fields. As of today's date, there are 603 players registered for the 2024/2025 season and he believes that they could get to 700 players and will cap the players at that number. There will be a summer camp – Wales Under the Sun, it will be 6 weeks, starting on June 16th, and so far, they have 116 kids registered. They are planning to have a season kick-off party on August 31st at Wales Community Park. They are starting an educational program for coaches and if they take the training, they are asking the coaches to be in our program for two years or they will have to reimburse the program for the fees of the training. Next season, the teams will be age appropriate, we have gone from U13 to U15 and moving forward there will be a U12 team. Andi over all said it was a very good season.

COMPREHENSIVE PARK PLAN KICK-OFF MEETING

DISCUSSION: Nate Day of SEH was present to discuss how we are going to move forward to get the Wales Comprehensive Park Plan completed. We originally hoped to have this completed by August, but it most likely will be by October. Nate is working on a questionnaire to send out for residents to complete. We will send this out a couple of ways, mailing, email, and the Village's website. The Park Commission will review the letter before it is sent. We will need to have something on the survey that indicates if they are a resident or not. The Park Ad hoc group created maps of the parks and Nate would like to see these to incorporate them into the plan. The last park comprehensive plan was done in 1993 and it was only for Wales Community Park, this one would have all 3 parks in the plan. By creating and adopting a park comprehensive plan the future Village members will have a road map of what could happen in the parks. If the Village were looking to get grant money for some of the projects, most require a park comprehensive plan to be adopted to be considered. In the State of Wisconsin the main grantor is

PARK COMMISSION JUNE 10, 2024

the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship and they require a project to be submitted to be considered and not just requesting for something that is not approved. We will be working on this monthly with Nate to get this completed. The Village may be able to submit a project for 2025.

MOTION: No motion at this time.

QUOTES TO REMOVE THE FENCING AT THE SOCCER FIELDS IN WALES COMMUNITY PARK

DISCUSSION: The Park Commission asked for additional quote for the removal of the fencing at the soccer fields. Laue's Landscaping submitted a quote for \$15,600.00. There needs to be some type of barrier at the soccer fields to keep cars from parking in the swale to driving on the fields. Greenspace has quoted \$9,875.00 to remove the existing fence, install boulders 4 feet apart around the perimeter of the parking lot, fill the post holes, dispose of the existing fence and put down a 2" boarder of crushed limestone. He is recommending that he spray garlon – weed killer, which can last up to 2 years, and will submit a quote to have this done around the entire perimeter of the north parking lot.

MOTION: Motion by Mary Ziebell to approve the quote from Greenspace to remove the spilt rail fence and install boulders in the south parking lot for a cost of \$9,875.00, as submitted, second by Tammy Johnson. Motion passed unopposed.

JOBS FOR BUILDING AND GROUNDS

DISCUSSION: All of the seasonal summer help are now working. The new bleachers for Wales Community Park have been installed at Wales Community Park. The blue bird houses at Breconshire have had a nest and eggs! Swing mats were installed at both Breconshire and Wales Community Park.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mary Ziebell to adjourn, second by Tammy Johnson, motion passed, unopposed. The regular Park Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Pauline Wigderson, Secretary