

## **PARK COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 9, 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, and Gil Ziebell.

Excused: Tammy Johnson

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Pauline Wigderson, Maintenance Supervisor Theresa Sadler, and Chase and Jason Lippold.

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 August 20, 2024, motion by Mary Ziebell to approve the minutes and waive the requirement of reading same, second by Alan Barrows, motion passed unopposed.

### **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT AT BRECONSHIRE PARK CHASE LIPPOLD**

**DISCUSSION:** Chase would like to install a "Little Reading Library" and first aid box at Breconshire Park. The boxes will be 15" wide x 24" tall, and on a 4' post, with 1 ½ foot of the pole being in the ground with cement. The boxes will be made out of 2" thick treated lumber. The roof will be shingled and will extend 2" pass the box to help shield it from the weather. Chase will fill the boxes the 1<sup>st</sup> time and hopefully they will be maintained by the people who are using them, but Wales will check on the supplies in the 1<sup>st</sup> aid box. Chase will have to provide Wales with a better blueprint for the project, a copy of the signed paperwork once the project is approved by the Scouts. He will have a dedication plaque on the box, but does not want a dedication ceremony when the boxes are completed. Three possible locations for the boxes were submitted, Chase will work with Theresa on the final location of the boxes.

**MOTION:** Motion by Alan Barrows to approve the "Little Reading Library" and First Aid boxes installed at Breconshire Park with Chase Lippold to work with Theresa on final location of the boxes at Breconshire Park, as submitted, second Mary Ziebell. Motion passed unopposed.

### **COMPREHENSIVE PARK PLAN**

**DISCUSSION:** To date we have had 145 responses to the survey. 80% of respondents are satisfied with the park offerings in Wales. One of the highest requests was to connect the west side of Hwy 83 to the east side of Hwy 83, as well as a farmers' market. Nate will have a draft ready in a couple of weeks and it will be forwarded to the group for their review prior to the October meeting. There is going to be a map in the plan and the Commission asked if the disc golf holes, baseball diamonds, and soccer fields could be placed on the map. The Park Commission thought it might be a good idea to have a joint meeting with the Public Works Committee so that they could be informed as to what the Park Commission might have for projects in the Village. So far Nate has about 35 pages completed of the plan and he thinks that we may be able to apply for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant in 2025, if we have a project in mind.

**MOTION:** No motion at this time.

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### **MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** There is only one summer help still working. Theresa is working on getting quotes for possible projects for the 2025 budget. Baseball diamond work at Fireman's, concrete pad under the bleachers at Wales Community Park and sidewalk from the south parking lot to the concession building, soccer. The nets for the baseball diamond are going to have to wait for purchase until 2025. There was a water leak by the baseball concession building and it turned out to be a bad coupling connection, and it was repaired before it became a bigger problem. The Milwaukee Torrent would like to have the fields repaired in spots; this has been difficult this year, as they are playing on the fields all the time, with little break time in between for repairs. Alan Barrows and the Administrator will be meeting with the Torrent and this will be discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Alan Barrows to adjourn, second by Mary Ziebell, motion passed, unopposed. The regular Park Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Pauline Wigderson, Secretary