PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY BOARD PARK20230802-1 August 2, 2023 UNAPPROVED

A regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board, City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held on Wednesday, August 2, 2023. The meeting was held online utilizing the Zoom app.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Terry Wagner at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present - Brian Clement, Becky Hughes, Terry Wagner,

Council Member Kristin Burkart

Excused – Glenn Herold, James Schara, Paul Rushing

Also Present - Recreation Superintendent Maggie Anderson

City Forester Kevin Westphal

Recreation Coordinator Chandler Steffen

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Vice-Chairperson Wagner 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 Burkart, seconded by Becky Hughes, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2023 meeting. Motion carried without a negative vote with Chairperson Herold, James Schara and Paul Rushing excused.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS

Ann Friesch, N111W5893 Caroline Ct., stated that she and the other pickleball players would like pickleball lines painted on the tennis courts at Adlai Horn Park with the addition of portable nets. She stated that tennis players would still have priority on the court.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss 2024 Budget; and Action Thereon

Superintendent Anderson stated that the only big increase from last year was staff wages for Summer Playground Camp. Vice-Chairperson Wagner inquired what the increase was. Chandler Steffen stated that the increase is from \$11-\$12 per hour to \$14. Vice-Chairperson Wagner inquired if the budget had gone to the Common Council yet. Administrator Hilvo stated that it has not.

Motion made by Brian Clement, seconded by Council Member Burkart, to approve the 2024 budget as presented. Motion carried without a negative vote with Chairperson Herold, James Schara, and Paul Rushing excused.

Discuss Park Grass Lawn Maintenance Applications; and Action Thereon

Administrator Hilvo explained that he received a request from a resident to have the Park, Recreation, and Forestry Board discuss the lawn maintenance applications in the parks. Currently the

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City uses a chemical spray once every 3 years and only uses this application in certain parks. Vice-Chairperson Wagner stated that when the City was using an all-natural application there was a substantial difference in the lawn. With the current system of incorporating chemical applications there has been a significant improvement with less weeds. Brian Clement inquired if there was push back with the City using chemicals in the parks. Superintendent Anderson stated that the Park, Recreation, and Forestry Department only had a complaint from one resident.

Motion made by Becky Hughes, seconded by Council Member Burkart, to continue the current park lawn maintenance applications. Motion carried without a negative vote with Chairperson Herold, James Schara, and Paul Rushing excused.

Review and Certify Code of Ethics; and Action Thereon

Vice-Chairperson Wagner certified that everyone on the Board has read, reviewed, and certified the Code of Ethics. No further discussion was needed.

REPORTS

Superintendent Anderson reported on the pool, the Activity Guide, flag football, fall soccer league, preparations for fall, youth basketball, STEM classes, Mad Science classes, and updating the City website.

City Forester Westphal reported on tree watering, post planting maintenance, service request pruning, pruning larger ash trees, park tree inventory, EAB treatments, river cleanup, contracted stump removals, storm calls, dead tree survey, decrease in removals, Dutch Elm disease treatments, updating the tree protection during construction policy to have a better procedure and less permitting issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Burkart, seconded by Brian Clement, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Chairperson Herold, James Schara, and Paul Rushing excused.

Chandler Steffen Recreation Coordinator