



Board of Park Commissioners

335 South Broadway

De Pere, WI 54115

<http://www.de-pere.org>

Regular Meeting

Final Minutes

Thursday, October 17, 2013

6:30 PM

De Pere City Hall Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Board Member George Brown

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Larry Lueck	Alderman	Present	
Michael Donovan	Alderman	Present	
Lisa Rafferty	Alderman	Present	
Sue Schinkten	Board Member	Present	
Bill Volpano	Board Member	Present	
Rod Kowalczyk	Board Member	Excused	
George Brown	Board Member	Present	

Teen Members Abbey Barnes and Henry Kneiszel were also present.

II. Action Items

1. Acceptance of Board of Park Commissioners Minutes 9-19-13.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Michael Donovan, Alderman
SECONDER: Sue Schinkten, Board Member
AYES: Lueck, Donovan, Rafferty, Schinkten, Volpano, Brown
EXCUSED: Rod Kowalczyk

2. Recommendation from the Board of Park Commissioners to approve \$500 donation from SAY Soccer.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill Volpano, Board Member
SECONDER: Lisa Rafferty, Alderman
AYES: Lueck, Donovan, Rafferty, Schinkten, Volpano, Brown
EXCUSED: Rod Kowalczyk

3. Recommendation from the Board of Park Commissioners to accept donation from Eagle Scout for improvements around two Service Club signs in De Pere.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Michael Donovan, Alderman
SECONDER: Sue Schinkten, Board Member
AYES: Lueck, Donovan, Rafferty, Schinkten, Volpano, Brown
EXCUSED: Rod Kowalczyk

4. Recommendation from Board of Park Commissioners to approve donation from Jim Kneiszel to construct Junior Disc Golf Course in Legion Park. Marty Kosobucki reviewed the history of the Disc Golf Course.

Henry Kneiszel stated he would like to be excused from any discussion on the course because of his relationship to the donor.

Marty Kosobucki reviewed the items of concerns which were brought up at the last Park Board Meeting and addressed each concern.

Mike Donovan made a motion to open the meeting at 6:47 p.m., seconded by Sue Schinkten.

Laura Goomey asked the board who would take care of the course. Marty Kosobucki stated our Park Department would be doing the maintenance of the course. Marty also stated if a large expense would arise the initial donor may be approached to help with the cost.

Bill Volpano made a motion to close the meeting at 6:49 p.m., seconded by Sue Schinkten.

Several board members expressed their appreciation for the work done on the course.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Donovan, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Larry Lueck, Alderperson
AYES:	Lueck, Donovan, Rafferty, Schinkten, Volpano, Brown
EXCUSED:	Rod Kowalczyk

III. Public Comment Period

None

IV. Future Agenda Items

None

V. Staff Updates

1. Riverwalk

Marty Kosobucki reported the sidewalk repair was finished. There were four panels by the island repaired, some patch work on Front Street and the sidewalk under the stationary bridge. The donor sign and naming sign were put in last Friday. Marty was very pleased with the signs. The permanent individual signs will go up on 10/18/13.

Marty was questioned about the lock tenders house and if anything had been resolved with the lease. Marty stated the city was not a part of the lease. Marty stated they were originally set to open July 25, 2013 and it did not happen. Marty is not sure what happened. Marty was also asked about the locks being placed on the bridge. He stated there were locks on the bridge and after conferring with the City Administrator and Mayor we will not take them down at this time. The item may be a future agenda item.

2. Southwest Park

Marty Kosobucki stated Southwest Park construction is underway. Marty stated they are working to get the curb poured for the parking lot. He is also working with the contractor on the time line to get infield mix in before the end of this year and the fence would be put in next year. Marty stated he is working on a bid for the drain tile. Marty reported everything is coming along well.

3. Braisher Playground

Marty Kosobucki reported Don Melichar worked with the donation of the playground

from Humana and the Green Bay Packers. The playground looks good. Seneca Wallace, Don Barclay, Mark Murphy, Bill Schroeder and Chris Jacke from the Packers helped in the construction of the playground. Marty reported he will address some items for the younger children in next years budget.

There was discussion about slides being considered for the future. Marty stated he will look into the slides, but there is a push in the industry to go more toward climbing items in the playgrounds.

VI. Adjournment

Sue Schinkten made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Bill Volpano.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Zierson