



Parks Commission
Minutes
August 18, 2020 5:30 P.M.

via Teleconference
3930 N. Murray Avenue, Shorewood, WI 53211

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Members present: Jenny Vulpas, Bonnie Pedraza, Enrique Figueroa, Kathy Yanoff, Julie Bradisse and Lybra Loest.

Others present: Assistant Village Manager Tyler Burkart, Trustee Liaison Arthur Ircink

2. Consider Minutes from Meeting on July 21, 2020

Mr. Figueroa moved to approve the July 21, 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pedraza. Motion approved by 6-0 vote.

3. Discuss and Consider Comprehensive Plan Update for Atwater Park

Mr. Burkart reviewed the Atwater Park Plan with the Commission. The Commission discussed whether numbers 10 through 12 were even feasible to do due to the current condition of the bluff. The Commission also asked Mr. Burkart to inquire if the current path down to the beach is ADA accessible. There was discussion about possible bioswales are green infrastructure at the top of the bluff to perhaps further control stormwater. The Commission expressed the desire to remove number seven and not pursue an entrance gate at the top of the park. Mr. Burkart recommends to modify the location of the footwash to the top of the bluff near the restrooms. Several Commission members advocated for better bathroom service on the weekends. Mr. Burkart will follow through with staff to see what options could be done including adding it to the lifeguard contract for next year. There was discussion about replacing the public groins and finding a way to do it sooner. Mr. Burkart expressed that DPW is maxed out currently for projects, and if the Parks Commission wants to pursue the idea, it needs to be added to the long-range financial plan first. The Commission supports removing any notion of bathrooms near the beach due to the concern of the high cost to execute. There was an idea shared of building a storage unit along the beach. Other ideas included lockers, additional bike racks, and better signage for cleaning up trash and smoking.

4. Discuss Triangle Park Flagpole and Potential Seating Areas

Mr. Burkart clarified that the Commission only wants seating and the flagpole work to be funded through a grant or a third-party donation. The Commission confirmed that action.

5. Future Agenda Items

The Commission expressed interest in the next meeting to be on Tuesday, September 15.

6. Adjournment.

Ms. Bradisse moved, seconded by Ms. Yanoff to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved 6-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Tyler Burkart
Assistant Village Manager