

MINUTES

PARKS, RECREATION AND FORESTRY COMMISSION

February 25, 2020, 5:30 PM, Municipal Building Board Room

PRESENT: Fendrick, Webber, Shay

ABSENT: Jackson, Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: Dudley, Gorman, Hagen – Village of Mount Horeb.

Fendrick called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Consider minutes of the January 28, 2020 meeting.

Webber moved, Shay seconded to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2020 meeting.
Motion carried.

Consider 2020-2022 Mount Horeb Gator's Agreement

JR Szabo, Gator's Treasurer, asked how the \$40/ swimmer fee was established. He is concerned about the increased costs considering that the Gators are a non-profit organization. Dudley said the Commission considered raising the fee \$5 from \$35/swimmer in 2019. Szabo asked if the Commission would consider a flat fee instead of a per swimmer fee. Fendrick and Webber agreed that a flat fee makes sense.

Webber moved, Fendrick seconded to charge a flat fee to the Gators of \$4,000 each year for 2020-2022. Motion carried.

Presentation by Carrico Aquatic Resources regarding the 2021 swimming pool improvements

Jason Krapfl from Carrico Aquatics reviewed the pool project scheduled for 2021 which includes new sand filters, new pumps, vfd's and strainer baskets.

Dudley left the meeting at 6:14pm.

Consider Carrico proposal for 2021 aquatic center improvements

Fendrick noted that the proposal was under the Village's budgeted amount for the project. Shay moved, Webber seconded to approve the proposal from Carrico Aquatics for the 2021 pool upgrades. Motion carried.

Consider Mount Horeb Area Community Garden request to help fund a sign for the community garden

Carolyn White from the MHACG was present to ask the Commission to consider helping to fund a sign for the community garden. MHACG is hoping to get a grant of \$500 for the sign but would need another \$500 to have a sign made similar to the Himsel Park sign. Gorman said we could use Park Development Funds or funds from our parks operating budget. The Commission had some concerns about placement and design.

Webber moved, Shay seconded to fund up to \$500 for the sign with input on design and installation from staff. Motion carried.

Consider parkland dedication or fees in lieu of dedication for Kara View Heights plat

Brian Durtschi is planning to develop the 6th addition to Kara View Heights which amounts to 17 lots. He asked for a reduction in the fee in lieu of parkland because there is some unknown history of what was contributed in land and fees for the previous additions. Hagen said herself

and other staff reviewed meeting minutes going back to the 1970's and found no specific information on acreage and fees that would help address any fees beyond the fifth addition. Considerable discussion took place. Fendrick doesn't think there is enough information for the Commission to make a decision other than approving the normal park fees. Fendrick moved, Webber seconded to require the full amount of fees in lieu of parkland dedication for the 6th addition to Kara View Heights with the condition that if any further information is presented that shows more parkland credit was issued in the past, then the fee will be reduced. Motion carried.

Discuss Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan quote from Vandewalle

Gorman said the Commission needs to decide if the Village should do either a focus group or community survey as part of the agreement with Vandewalle in developing the update to the CORP. Fendrick and Shay agree that they prefer a survey because it allows more people to provide input into the process. The rest of the Commission agreed.

Recreation Director's Report

Dudley provided her written report but had to leave earlier in the meeting.

Public Services Director's Report

Gorman reviewed his written report.

Consider items for future agendas

Fenrick asked if the Commission agenda should include a meeting packet that is posted online similar to Plan Commission and Village Board. The Commission agreed not to post the meeting packets. That information is available to anyone that requests it. MHACG sign request.

Set next meeting date and time

The next meeting was set for March 31, 2020 at 5:30 pm.

Adjourn

Webber moved, Shay seconded to adjourn at 7:28 pm.

Minutes prepared by Jeff Gorman, Public Services Director