



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
parks and recreation

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Board of Park Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Minutes

Tuesday, July 25, 2017
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
401 N. Morton

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Les Coyne at 4:02 p.m.

Board Present: Mr. Les Coyne, Mr. Joe Hoffmann, Ms. Kathleen Mills and Ms. Darcie Fawcett

Staff Present: Paula McDevitt, Julie Ramey, Kim Clapp, Daren Eads, Leslie Brinson, Dee Tuttle, Steve Cotter, Erik Pearson, Hsuing Marler, and Joanna Sparks

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A-1. Approval of Minutes of July 13, 2017 Meeting
- A-2. Approval of Claims Submitted July 13, 2017 through July 24, 2017
- A-3. Approval of Non-Reverting Budget Amendments
- A-4. Review of Business Report
- A-5. Approval of Surplus

Ms. Darcie Fawcett made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS/APPEARANCES

B-1. Public Comment Period –

Mr. David Slaybaum approached the podium. Mr. Slaybaum thanked the Parks Board for the dramatic improvements in Peoples Parks and Seminary Square. Mr. Slaybaum thanked the Bloomington Police Department for them stepping up and enforcing the rules that all of us have to live by, which is not easy. They seem to be doing it and being fair to everybody. Mr. Slaybaum thanked the Mayor for recognizing the fact we got a criminal issue in the parks, and by doing what we are doing, we seem to have a lot more control on what is going on in the parks. I really appreciate that. I've spent a lot of time talking to people, and a lot of the people can't believe how nice the park is and how many people are in the park. Mr. Slaybaum asked that tobacco use be banned in City parks and ask that you do it formally, by putting it into an agenda that you have, or if you as a Board can do it in house amongst yourself. We would like to make all City parks smoke free to go along with the non-alcohol and no drug policy.

The Board thanked Mr. Slaybaum for his time and efforts. The Board informed Mr. Slaybaum a City Ordinance would be required to ban smoking in parks, staff continues to work on this issue.

B-2. Bravo Award – Oliver Fyffe

Mr. Daren Eads, Twin Lakes Recreation Center Facility Coordinator, on behalf of the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, I would like to recognize Mr. Oliver Fyffe as our July BRAVO award recipient. Mr. Fyffe is very involved in Special Olympics and sports, which prompted his interest in volunteering at the TLRC. Mr. Fyffe volunteered through the Work Study Program at Bloomington High School South, and has given a total of 48 volunteer hours from December 2016 through May 2017 to TLRC. Mr. Fyffe is an enthusiastic, hardworking, reliable volunteer and we appreciate his commitment and involvement with TLRC.

B-3. Parks Partner Award – None

B-4. Staff Introduction-None

C. OTHER BUSINESS

C-1. Review/Approval of Contract with Monroe/Owen Appraisal

Ms. Paula McDevitt, Administrator, the Department wishes to appraise the real estate properties (Dagom Garden Tensung-Ling Tibetan Buddhist Monastery) located at 100-112 W. Club House Drive in order to evaluate whether it wishes to make an offer to purchase said property. BPRD requires the services of a real estate appraisal consulting firm to conduct this Appraisal. Indiana code 36-10-4-25 requires BPRD to appoint three (3) qualified appraisers to appraise the land and submit an appraisal in writing. Monroe/Owen Appraisal Inc. is qualified, experienced, and capable of being lead appraiser. Monroe/Owen Appraisal Inc. will contract with two (2) appraisers and provide the Department with one joint appraisal report. Staff recommends the approval of this contract with Monroe/Owen Appraisal Inc. Cost of the appraisal will be \$8,500.

Ms. Darcie Fawcett, I move approval to appoint the Monroe/Owen Appraisal Inc., Figg Appraisal Group and Vencel Appraisal Services, LLC as the three required appraisers pursuant to the terms of the contract presented. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. It's been moved and seconded that the Board approves the Monroe/Owen Appraisal contract. Motion unanimously carried.

C-2 Review/Approval of Partnership Agreement with Jump Start Sports

Mr. Erik Pearson, Program/Facility Coordinator – Banneker Community Center, the purpose of this agreement is to introduce preschool sports programs that focus on introducing sports to preschool children in an instruction based, fun environment. This partnership will allow these programs to take place at BPRD facilities, and will result in increasing the quality of preschool sports programs and allowing more Bloomington families to participate. The goal of BPRD is to build a positive relationship with Jump Start Sports in order to provide programs necessary for the positive development and well-being of the community.

Ms. Darcie Fawcett made a motion to approve the Partnership Agreement with Jump Start Sports. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-3. Review/Approval of Contract with Tommy D's Windows and Doors

Ms. Dee Tuttle, Sports Facility/Program Manager due to age, inefficiency, and wear the Department wishes to replace four exterior doors located at Frank Southern Ice Arena and one door located at Winslow Sports Complex. The Department requires the services of a professional contractor in order to perform the door replacements. Quotes were solicited from several vendors. Staff recommends the approval of the contract with Tommy D's Windows and Doors for \$5,495.80 for Winslow, and \$7,310.10 for Frank Southern Ice Arena. Winslow project will be funded from a 2016 purchase order, while 2016 Reversion Funds will be used for Frank Southern Ice Arena.

Ms. Darcie Fawcett made a motion to approve the Contract with Tommy D's Windows and Doors. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-4. Review/Approval of Contract with Stellar Refrigeration Services

Mr. Hsiung Marler, Sports Facility/Program Manager, due to age and being past life expectancy, the Department wishes to recondition the main compressor at Frank Southern Ice Arena. The Department requires the services of a professional contractor in order to perform the compressor reconditioning. Staff recommends the approval of the contract with Stellar Refrigeration Services for \$15,095. Three quotes were received, with Stellar's being the lowest. 2016 Reversion Funds will be used for this project.

Ms. Darcie Fawcett made a motion to approve the Contract with Stellar Refrigeration Services. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

C-5. Review/Approval of Service Agreements with Janiece Jaffe and Laura Hunsucker

Ms. Dee Tuttle, Sports Facility/Program Coordinator, the Department wishes to have the national Anthem sung at the opening ceremonies for the National Softball event. The Department requires the services of two professional performers, one for the opening game at Twin Lakes Sports Park and the second for the opening game at Winslow Sports Park. Staff recommends the approval of the Agreements with Janiece Jaffe and Laura Hunsucker, in the amount of \$100/each. Funding was budgeted out of the Non-Reverting Funds.

Ms. Darcie Fawcett made a motion to approve the Service Agreements with Janiece Jaffe and Laura Hunsucker. Mr. Joe Hoffmann seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

D. Reports

D-1. Operations Division – Griffy Lake Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan Report

Mr. Steve Cotter, Natural Resources Manager introduced Mr. Nathan Long, Executive Vice President of Aquatic Control Inc, and invited him to the podium.

Mr. Long approached the podium and presented the Griffy Lake Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan Update.

LARE Review

- State Funds received from fee on boat registrations
- Administered by IDNR/Division Fish & Wildlife/Lake & River Enhancement Program (LARE)
 - Watershed/shoreline improvements
 - Dredging
 - Log Jam removal
 - Invasive plant control
- Must be a public waterbody
- Must have a sponsor and typically a % match involved with grants
- \$17,200 Grant for 2017

Aquatic Plant Ecology Review

- Most aquatic plants occur naturally in lakes
 - Seed or fragment introduction
 - Sunlight
 - Proper Substrate
 - Nutrients
- Most aquatic plants are beneficial to your lake
 - Reduce erosion
 - Cover for fish and invertebrates
 - Improve water Quality/clarity
 - Food for waterfowl
- Type of plants in a lake often determined by water quality/clarity
- Some species can lead to nuisance conditions or create ecological problems
- Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) *Myriophyllum spicatum*
 - Invasive non-native submersed plant
 - Competes with native plant species for space and light
 - Spreads through fragmentation that can be carried from lake to lake by boat
 - Can be detrimental to lake ecosystem
- Brazilian elodea *Egeria densa*
 - Invasive non-native submersed plant
 - Forms dense monocultures which can impede boating, fishing, and limit native growth
 - Only reproduction in US through vegetative fragments that can be carried from lake to lake by boat
 - Eradicated from Griffy in 2010

Griffy Lake Plant Management History

- Milfoil weevils stocked in early 2000's has not been very successful
- Brazilian elodea eradication treatments 2006 & 2007
 - Signage posted at ramp
 - Education effort
- Curlyleaf pondweed treatments in 2008
- Eurasian watermilfoil treatments in 2009
- Dredging and lake lowing 2010

Griffy Lake Vegetation Management in 2016

- LARE
 - Awarded IDNR LARE grant of \$3,120 for surveying and plan update
 - Two Tier 2 and invasive plant surveys
 - Updated plan finalized by March 1, 2107
 - Will allow for eligibility for plant management grant in 2017, if needed.
- Spring survey (May 24)
 - 22.6 acres of Eurasian watermilfoil mapped
 - Only 2.6 acres of curlyleaf pondweed mapped
 - EWM collected 18% of Tier 2 survey sites
 - Curlyleaf pondweed collected at only 2% of survey sites

- Good clarity and plant diversity for a southern IN reservoir
- Summer 2016 Survey
 - Completed August 18th
 - EWM covering 30.8 acres and present at 22% of Tier 2 survey sites
 - Coontail most frequently collected species
 - Still had good water clarity with Secchi of 8 ft.
 - No curly pondweed collected or observed

Recommended Future Actions

- Continue with surveys
 - Invasive survey spring & summer (potentially LARE funded)
 - Tier 2 late summer (potentially LARE funded)
- Spring invasive EWM treatment with selective/system EPA approved aquatic herbicide
 - Earlier treatment in 2018
 - Cost can vary from \$200-\$500/acre depending on herbicide selected
- Continue with public meetings and plan updates (potentially LARE funded)
- Continue to work to improve shoreline stabilization and watershed improvements (potentially LARE funded)
- Monitor boats entering and leaving lake

Remaining LARE Program Steps

- Summer survey
- Permit meeting with biologist?
- Draft Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan due Nov. 15
- Submit grant application by January 15th
- Submit permit application by February 1st
- LARE awards grants in late February/early March
- Send out bid requests in March
- Decide on contractor

D-2. Recreation Division – No Report

D-3. Sports Division – No Report

D-4 Administrative Division – No Report

Ms. Paula McDevitt, Administrator announced, the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department will host a Griffy Lake Reserve Deer Management Panel Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Council Chambers. The Public is encouraged to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim Clapp,
Secretary Board of Park Commissioners