

MINUTES
MONONA PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
CITY COUNCIL – CONFERENCE ROOM
5211 Schluter Rd, WI. 53716
Tuesday, May 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Park and Recreation Board for the City of Monona was called to order by Chair Andrew Kitslaar at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Co-Chair Doug Wood, Thom Evans, Tony Gomez-Phillips, Rachel Groman, Jeff Hinz, Parks & Recreation Director Jake Anderson,

Absent: Chair Andrew Kitslaar, Jennifer Kahl, Kelly Slack, Pat Howell

Approval of the Minutes

Thom Evans made a motion to table the minutes from the past two meetings as they were not prepared in time for the meeting, Jeff Hinz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Appearances

- A. Theresa Rademacher** – Ms. Rademacher spoke for informational purposes on the success of the zero-waste event at the All-City Swim meet and encouraged the city to develop policies for special events and city events to adopt sustainable practices.
- B. Matt Marks** – Mr. Marks spoke in disappointment about removal of benches that were placed by private citizens at area boat launches, and also concerned about shoreline rocks in the recent boat launch renovations
- C. Andrew Romaine** – Monona Farmer's Market – Ms. Romaine spoke for informational purposes about the Monona Farmer's Market and the use of Ahuska Park

Unfinished Business

- A. None**

New Business

A. Monona Farmer's Market Storage Unit Request

Monona Farmer's Market Manager Andrea Romaine and Board President Aaron Dalbec were presented and requested providing a storage shed closer to their location for ease of setting up and taking down for their weekly events. They noted the market has additional vendors, that space in the shelter storage room is tight, and they don't have vehicles that can transport the tents and equipment.

Director Anderson recommended not allowing the placement of temporary storage due to concerns over vandalism, aesthetics, and setting precedent for other groups utilizing city facilities. He noted in the long term plans for Ahuska Park, there is an additional multi-purpose building that would allow for storage closer to the market. He also noted, a new Facility Use Agreement would need to be made for current changes to the contract and any future changes.

The board had consensus that the Farmer's Market should be responsible for the setting up, taking down, and moving of equipment into the space the city provides

Jeff Hinz made a motion, seconded by Tony Gomez-Phillips to deny the request of the Monona Farmer's Market placing a storage unit at Ahuska Park. Motion Carried.

B. Commercial Use of Park Policy

Director Anderson brought a draft version of a policy that would regulate the commercial use of park open space by private business/organizations. He noted several examples of organizations/business using parks as their primary business location (fitness classes, nature based classes, theatre groups), and the use of open spaces may conflict with rentals at shelters, parks maintenance, or city run events. The board was supportive of seeing a final policy proposal at a future meeting.

Tony Gomez-Phillips made a motion to pursue a commercial use of park policy, seconded by Thom Evans, motion carried

Director's Report & Questions to Staff from Committee

A. Jake Anderson – Parks & Recreation Director

None

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn by Jeff Hinz seconded by Rachel Groma was carried at 7:50 pm.