MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019, 5:00 PM
CITY HALL, ROOM 207
AMENDED

A. ROLL CALL.

Ald. Chris Wery, Ald. Brian Johnson, Ald. Jesse Brunette
Ald. Andy Nicholson arrived at 5:13
Others Present: Ald. Kathy Lefebvre, Ald. Mark Steuer, Dan Ditscheit, James Andersen, Jason Arnoldi

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

D. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a Collaboration Agreement with the Friends of the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary Inc., (FOWLS).

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to open the floor for discussion. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

Moved by Ald. Andy Nicholson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to close the floor for discussion. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson , No- None, Abstain- None

Moved by Ald. Wery to open the floor for discussion without objection. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to close the floor for discussion. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Andy Nicholson to approve. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

2. Consideration with possible action on the request to install pickleball courts on the west side of Green Bay,

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Andy Nicholson to refer to staff to reach out to the schools to see if there are opportunities for indoor pickleball courts in the schools, to work with the pickleball group to see if they can increase their donation contribution to $25,000 and to bring this back for consideration in the 2021 Bond Request . Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

3. Consideration with possible action on the request by Ald. Lefebvre that due to safety concerns brought to her attention, she is requesting that Bay Beach hire a security officer(s) during hours of operations with the cost coming from Bay Beach profits/account.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Andy Nicholson to receive and place on file. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

4. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a Revocable Private Transmission Facilities Permit with Brown County to install fiber optic cable through Joannes Park to East High School.

by Ald. Andy Nicholson, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to approve. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

5. Consideration with possible action on accepting a possible 27.33 acre property donation of Parcels 21-379, 21-385, 21-386, 21-387 from the Baird Creek Preservation Foundation, located in the Baird Creek Greenway.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve accepting a 27.33 acre property donation of Parcels 21-379, 21-385, 21-386, 21-387 from the Baird Creek Preservation Foundation, located in the Baird Creek Greenway, contingent upon the successful purchase by the Foundation and that an Environmental review is done for the property before accepting the donation. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

6. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a Revocable Permit with Green Bay Riverside Unit Owners Association, Inc. to allow the construction of a staircase adjacent to the Fox River Trail on Parcel 12-43-1.

Moved by Ald. Andy Nicholson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

7. Consideration with possible action on the request by Ald. Brunette to relocate the annual Kiddie Karnival effective 2020 to other City parks, possibly Colburn Park.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to refer to staff to propose three alternative park locations where the Kiddie Karnival could be relocated to in 2020 and bring this back to the Park Committee for further discussion. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

8. Consideration with possible action on the request by Ald. Brunette to study and prepare a report on the number of parks - City, County, School and Oneida owned - throughout the 12th District with the purpose of possibly locating property where the City can develop a new park.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Andy Nicholson to refer to staff to work with Ald. Brunette to continue to study and update the report on the number of parks - City, County, School and Oneida owned - throughout the 12th District with the purpose of possibly locating property where the City can develop a new park. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

E. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.

Moved by Ald. Andy Nicholson, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to receive and place on file. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

2. The next Park Committee is scheduled for September 11, 2019.

F. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Andy Nicholson, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried.
Yes- Chris Wery, Andy Nicholson, Jesse Brunette, Brian Johnson, No- None, Abstain- None

Verbatim Minutes

Alright, August 14 media in the park committee will come to order. We'll note that Alderman Brunette, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Wery are present and Alderman Nicholson is excused. Can I have approval of agenda?

- Approved, sir.

- Alderman Johnson, Secretary Brunette to approve any changes. Those in favor?

- I.

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried. I don't see approval of the minutes.

- Alderman Johnson, Secretary Brunette, discussion, those in favor?

- I.

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried. Regular business number 1, consideration of possible action and the approval of the collaboration agreement with the friends of the Beach Wildlife Sanctuary.

- So I guess the first thing I want to mention is we did amend the agenda yesterday so there's a few other items on here that weren't on here last week. But this item was all on there last

week. The Friends of the Wildlife Sanctuary or otherwise known as the FOWLS. They've been in existence for many years out at the sanctuary. They are an official 501-C3 non-profit entity. Historically all donations that they were seeing, does go back to the Wildlife Sanctuary to not only fund capital improvement projects but also offset operational expenses. So there's also another committee called Guild. They are a sub-committee of FLOWS of the friends. The Guild fundraises also, through different events and other sources of fundraising. And all of their funding goes towards animal care rehab. So that's where they put their money. So all of the main buildings at the sanctuary were previously all funded by the FOWLS and their fundraising campaigns. So what you see out there now probably wouldn't be in existence without the support of the FOWLS. Most recently as you know, the FOWLS just completed a $3.1 million fundraising campaign for the 4K exponential will be opening up soon. So I think, like I said, it's fair to say that without their financial assistance we wouldn't be able to operate the sanctuary the way we currently do. So when the donations come in, they come in several different ways. They either mail them directly to the FOWLS in their PO box or people mail checks to the sanctuary itself to our nature center. And when the checks come in, they come in as they're either written out to the Wildlife Sanctuary, Friends of the Wildlife Sanctuary, or the Guild and to most people, they don't understand that there's a difference between the official non-profit entity and the city of Green Bay or the Wildlife Sanctuary, they're just donating to the, as a whole, to the program and the facility. Throughout the history since the Friends have formed, historically all of the checks, whether it was written out to the Guild, the Friends or the Sanctuary, all went to the 501-C3 group of the FOWLS. So that's historically how it's always been handled and then staff worked very closely with the FOWLS and the Guild to determine what the priorities of that funding is. And then they will then disperse the funding back to the sanctuary to do different projects. Whether it's a capital improvement project, we recently, the Guild just funded a freezer for for our deer storage. So they're very helpful. But they're really, they've been in existence for, we do have somebody here from the FOWLS, for many, many years. And really though, there is one agreement out there in place, that authorizes the city to give the Wildlife Sanctuary checks to the FOWLS to kind of keep the same practice that we've been doing. So we did work with the Law Department, we did work with the FOWLS and we came up with an agreement which you have attached to your agenda packet. And really that just spells out the procedures of how the money's dispersed and what allows to be staffed to funnel those donations that come in to the FOWLS. So what we're doing is not necessarily changing anything, this is how it's always historically been done. We just had nothing in writing solidifying it. So really the other purpose of the document is as people change, whether we get new city staff, a new park director, a new superintendent, new members on the FOWLS, there's a document in place where people can point to and say, okay this is the correct procedure of how we go about it and what needs to be provided to the city and what the city has to provide to the FOWLS. So, like I said, we're not really changing anything, we're just putting it in writing. There is a member of the FOWLS who's here to talk. If you have any questions for him, this is Dan Spielman, he's the President of the FOWLS.

- Good afternoon.

- Just state your name--

- Sure, Dan Spielman.

- Actually, could I get motion of the second motion second Alderman Johnson, second Alderman Brunette to open the floor, pose vote. Those in favor.

- I.

- Oppose. Motion carried. Thank you, all ears.

- Before I get into the agreement, I do want to invite you all to the dedication of the new building which is August 27th at 2 P.M. I don't know if you've been out there to take a look at the new building. It's very impressive, we're very pleased with what's happened. We have a good working relationship with the city Keller Construction has done a nice job and I hope you can come out and see it. Again, I think it's a real addition. As as Dan said, we've raised $3.1 million in private funding, which hopefully will cover, well will cover everything, construction, including a great deal of equipment for the new building. Turning to the agreement, again we have no staff, we pay no employees, we basically every dime that we have or earned or received goes to the of the Wildlife Sanctuary. And we've dealt with new docks and a new pier and a variety of other things. So we all, in other words, this money is gonna be used specifically for the Wildlife Sanctuary moving forward. We do have some outstanding bills on the construction. We had, because we have pledges coming in over the next several years. Some of our major donors are paying over 5 years so, the money that comes in will be used to basically, as it comes in, to pay off the debt and also to fund programs. We talked with Dan about what things the Wildlife Sanctuary needs, what they'd like to see us do and basically try to do that. We think this arrangement is a good one. We are willing to provide new information in the agreement that the city needs and we're hopeful that it's approved and we go forward.

- Thank you sir, any questions?

- A couple. I guess I reviewed the agreement with some interest because I've served on other organizations that have comparable situations where you have a foundation provide supporting, a different entity. And then honestly, like there were a couple things that struck me is odd about this agreement and I just maybe wanted to ask you about them. One is, does the city staff have an ex-official role on your board of directors?

- Yes, we have the Park Superintendent who basically, was basically always attended all of our board meetings and basically was our liaison with the city. In the future it will be Dan to Parks Superintendent, at least my understanding of it until that position is filled.

- Okay and I noticed that, and I mean wouldn't it, ya know and maybe I'll question for Dan. Do you, so currently right now, I mean when payments come to you, you guys kind of, you take them in, you manage them, you're a 501-C3 foundation I presume. I mean you're, so I mean, I guess when I look at the agreement and we're telling you to maintain your records accord to RIS regulations, it seems like we're telling you to do something that you should already be doing but--

- And we are.

- And that's my question, I mean you're doing that, there's no concerns in the way you're maintaining your records?

- We just got elected, we passed the audit with flying colors. Because of the nature of fundraising, you know we'll probably be audited on a regular basis. But we have had no problems with the RIS or anything like that.

- Okay.

- Or the state.

- I guess one thing that struck me maybe, this is odd and I would like to get your feed back on this. Is the request by the city to have you turn over a list of all their donors and the amount that they've donated?

- No I don't think it says quite. I think it says that information of where the money's going to go and what the purpose of the, but I don't think the intent, is for example, with the capital campaign we are not providing any of the donor information on the capital campaign. And in discussions with Vanessa at the city attorney's office, because we did discuss this, I think the idea was that you know, the specific donor information on names and stuff do not have to be turned over.

- Okay, so when I'm reading this, just correct me if I'm wrong. It says all donations received, we have to turn this over, on a quarterly basis, all donations received--

- What page are you on just so I can--

- I'm sorry, it looks like page two. Item B under reporting, number one, all donations received including the total amount of the donation to whom the donation was written out to, or otherwise directed to the address where the donation was submitted and whether the donations were earmarked for any particular purpose by the donor.

- That does not include at least in discussion with Vanessa, that does not include, 'cause I specifically raised that, that does not include the donors name.

- When it says, "to whom the donation was written out to" was it written out to the city, or to the Wildlife Sancruary or was it written out to the Friends? Okay so it's just clarifying who the check was written too, not who it's from.

- Okay, so you find that reporting process to be acceptable to your organization?

- Yes.

- Okay, I'll have some questions for Dan after that.

- In all candor, ya know, the city representives are gonna go, where is all this information anyway? Because they're gonna be in our board meetings where we talk about what donations have come in, what that money is gonna be used for. So to me it's somewhat, it's not a huge issue.

- Can you explain the operation of your board a little bit to me? I mean does it operate independently but in conjunction with needs for the park?

- Yeah, I mean what has happened traditionally, I've only been on the board, well it's been five years now. But basically what happens, it we meet quarterly. Every meeting we will have a treasures report, we have a treasurer who's a accountant and does a very nice job of keeping our records. Then basically we'll have the, in the past, there's been Mike Reed giving the report as to what's happening at the Wildlife Sanctuary. Then we will have a request for where money could be used, things that the Wildlife Sanctuary needs. The board then discusses it,

sometimes the approve them, most of the time they're approved, assuming that it's something we want to do, assuming we have the funds to do it. That's generally how it works. With this campaign, four years ago the board decided that we would go forward to expand the 4K program, build this new 13,000 square foot building and basically embarked on a capital campaign. Which basically we get pretty much in house with volunteers and with assistance from a couple of experts in the field.

- Okay, that's all I've got right now. I appreciate your insight of how your operation works.

- Any other questions? Any one else want an answer?

- No. Any body else hearing from this item? Entertain motion to close the floor.

- Motion to close the floor.

- Motion by Nicholson and then by Brunette. Those in favor?

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried. Any questions for Steph? You said you had some

- Yeah, Dan has there been a history of the city of Green Bay, it sounds like they've always gone to FOWLS but is there like a history of the city of Green Bay receiving contributions directly from donors that's prompting the need for this agreement?

- Well really what's happened here, since I've been involved with, as director, you know I'm checking them. Again I'm also that kind of the acting superintendent right now. So the checks are coming to me and as they're coming in, anything written out to the Wildlife Sanctuary, sometimes those checks are intended for the FOWLS and people don't understand that, but they just write Wildlife Sanctuary. So I just saw a need to actually just clarify it and I just felt that I needed some approval from the city council in order for me to transfer those checks over to the FOWLS, is what I'm looking for.

- So when you say sometimes those checks are for the FOWLS, is that implying that sometimes checks people are writing to the city of Green Bay.

- I've never gotten a check to the city of Green Bay, it's always to the Wildlife Sanctuary or the FOWLS or the Guild. And people don't necessarily understand the difference between the sanctuary, and the FOWLS all the time. And so by allowing this agreement to go through, we don't have to call up everybody who gives a check to the city and ask them, did you intend it to go to the Wildlife Sanctuary or did you intend it to go to the FOWLS? So by going through this step or this process, we won't have to go through that step.

- Okay, do we have agreements similar to this with other foundations that support city parks like Baird Creek?

- This is a little bit different situation than all the other ones with the Friends of Baya Beach, ever since they formed, they had their own mailing address, they don't have any volunteers working at the site. That's one of the problems we have is the Guild, they're a very active donor group so they're actually volunteering on site, helping with animal rehab and stuff. So sometimes when people write a check, they think it's just to the sanctuary when really they

intended it to go to the Guild or something like that.
- I'm not sure that the volunteer thing matters if you're main organization recruits its volunteers, it'd be totally separate from how it cultivates donors.

- Correct, but some of the donors are also FOWLS or Guild members, which adds just a little complication. Ya know, historically it's just how it's always happened. A donation came in from whatever manner or mechanism and it was always just transferred to the FOWLS, which worked in this situation. And so to try and separate them out, it would be difficult. We would have to contact a lot of the people who donate and ask them, well really what are your intentions and explain to them how the Guild and the FOWLS are different from the Wildlife Sanctuary, we're government agency. It just gets complicated.

- So in the past when we've received those contributions, nothing has ever come to the city.

- No, not that I'm aware of. I'm not aware of any check coming to the city of Green Bay, intended for the sanctuary. It just says Wildlife Sanctuary.

- Okay so really the need is to distinguish the difference between the Wildlife Sanctuary and the Guild?

- Correct and the FOWLS.

- Okay. So the city has, I guess, no authority over the FOWLS because it is it's own independent organization, correct?

- Correct.

- I guess I'm just curious why you need this level of oversight over what they're doing? Why do we need to know how much they're securing in donations?

- We just need to know for, I think if you read this over you'll see that it's really just for the checks that come in written to the Wildlife Sanctuary. So we're asking for a little bit more documentation on the checks that come to, written out the Wildlife Sanctuary and then we are for the other checks that go directly to the FOWLS.

- Okay. It's just again, I've been apart of other foundations that have supported organizations and never seen this level of oversight before. And that's what's causing me a little bit of pause and why I'm asking some questions. Usually I've seen agreements that partain specifically to the operation, but not necessarily how the organization might manage its donor pool and the way the donations come in because that's really the responsibility of that organization and not necessarily of the city and I just think that sometimes this can be, something that can draw red flags with donors. And just my pause for concern with all of is I, at the end of the day, is I'm really trying to make sure that we're protecting donors for the organization and not giving anybody pause for concern. Ya know, because one of the other things as I've read this, is if ever the agreement is in default, which just please correct me if I'm misinterpreting this, but if the agreement ever goes into default, that those donations all must be rerouted to the city?

- Well that would be if the donor group or if the FOWLS actually ceases to exist.

- But that's different than defaulting on an agreement.

- Okay.
- And the agreement being that, maybe they don't give you a report on time. I'm looking for it Dan, it's slow loading.

- I don't recall that language being written. I think the intent of that was if the group ceased to exist. Mr. Spielman may have something to add this, if you wanna open the floor.

- No objection to open the floor.

- [Dan] Our position is, that, let's assume that we end the agreement for whatever reason, it would default, then basically all money that comes to the FOWLS, basically we would not be disclosing anything, it would still be coming to us. So any checks paid, which the majority of the checks are made out to the FOWLS, after the Wildlife Sanctuary. It's a few that basically have occurred, because as Dan says, people don't necessarily understand the distinction. We have a couple donors to the capital campaign who wrote the check to the Wildlife Sanction. Well obviously if we end the agreement, we would contact those people and say, for the future you need to basically make the check payable to the FOWLS.

- And we could do that, but we all have to agree that the agreement was reasonable and basically sends the city and with our liaison, gets this information pretty much any way. It wasn't a problem and we could basically go forward. I think we're acting in good faith and I think the city is as well.

- Questions for Mr. Spielman? Thank you sir. to close the floor. Those in favor?

- I.

- So Dan, I'm just looking under page two termination for number A, it's on the bottom of the page. And I maybe just misread this, but I also think it doesn't reflect what you had indicated either, which is, if the agreement terminates or defaults, that funds directed to the city would be returned to the city by FOWLS. So that would mean if somebody wrote a check I presume, to the city of Green Bay, that the FOWLS would no longer deposit it. It would now be directed to the city to be deposited. I mean I would think, I mean this type of agreement I'm no lawyer, but I don't think an agreement like this could trump the dissolution terms that would exist within the FOWLS bylaws. So if the FOWLS cease to exist, I would imagine the proper protocol is gonna be whatever funds they have, follow their dissolution procedures, not this agreement.

- I can get a clarification

- And again, at the end of the day, I just want to make sure that donors intentions are being honored and that quite frankly, I just want to make sure that this money, if somebody writes a check to the Wildlife Sanctuary with the expectation that it's being managed by the non-profit organization, that it's not going into a city account to disappear into a black hole. That's ultimately where my concern is at.

- Okay.

- But if President of the FOWLS doesn't feel like that's a concern, if staff doesn't feel like that's a concern, I mean I'm content as well. But I didn't feel satisfied without at least expressing that concern.

- Sure.

- Any other questions, otherwise I'll obtain motion.

- Motion to approve. Motion by Alderman Brunette, Alderman Nicholson to approve under discussion. Those in favor?

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried.

- Thank you.

- Thank you. Disclose to council next week, Tuesday. Number two, this consideration for possible request to have build pickleball courts on the west side of Green Bay. Director, this was discussed at the previous park committee for the proposed courts and develop a plan along with the cost estimate. So we did work closely with the user group to select the location and determine the optimal court conditions to accommodate turns in play for pickleball tournament. So at this point, staff is recommending to convert the two existing tennis courts at Murphy Park and just six dedicated pickleball courts. So in 2018, two new tennis courts were constructed at Perkins Park which is just a few blocks down the road. But we really don't have a need for that many tennis courts that close to each other. In addition, there is adiquate parking at Murphy Park and there's a nice shelter with closed restrooms that are to accommodate a tournament that happens. The courts aren't the existing tennis courts, are in fairly good condition, so the question is do we renovate the courts or do we replace them with something new. It would be difficult to have optimal tournament play pickle ball courts with the dimensions of the existing two tennis courts. You would need a little bit more paving on either side of the, all four sides. In order to accommodate optimal tournament play, standards. And also the jointing doesn't really work out with the existing tennis courts because you'd have a major construction joint down the middle of the, the two middle of the two pickle ball courts which doesn't work. So in this situation what we would recommend is basically the removal of the tennis courts and leave the base in place and the you repave it and recolor code it. So the cost to do that, would be $250,000 which is approximately the same cost of installing two new tennis courts. I have spoken to the pickle ball groups, 'cause one common question that came up at the last park committee was how much, if any, do they want to fundraise for this project. So at this point, they felt confident that they could fundraise $10,000 towards it. So that would mean the city would have to bind $240,000 for this facility. We recently put our CIP plan together which is gonna be presented and approved at our budget meeting this year. Because now we're gonna be doing the CIP plan and approve that the same time as the budget. So we've already submitted our plan to the finance department. The city, or parks department did not put $240,000 into the bond request for 2020. So if that's something that the committee and council wanted to do, we would have to add to the park departments bond request by $240,000. So Alderman Steuer has been very instrumental in a lot of discussions with the pickle ball group that's part of this planning processing. So, he may have something to add to this.

- Sure. Alderman Steuer.

- Thank you all. I have met with the pickle ball group and there's a couple things here. First of all Dan, do you have a diagram, do they have a diagram?

- It's in the agenda packet.

- In the agenda packet, okay. We looked at a number of different parts for this. There's a couple things going on here. This group of pickle ball players is about 80 to 100 in the city of Green Bay right now. And right now they're looking for facilities and these are folks anywhere from the age of 8 all the way up to 88. It's generally a little older crowd and they have a park over at Ford Howard Park and then at which is considered the gold standard right now. In Green Bay we have, on the East side we have Edison Park and not the best, most convenient bathroom facilities but they do have some over there. The talk is that this sport is growing exponentially in the country, especially in the south. If you look any where, that they've got tournaments, with pickle ball and in some respects it is one of the fastest growing sports in the country. So one of the things that I look at when I look at our city parks overtime is like are we getting the best use of our parks with what we have? And we've gone through phases where a lot of softball, well there's maybe not as much softball so maybe we could convert something. Right now tennis is a fairly expensive sport to get involved in and we were looking on the West side. And we initially started with murphy park. We wanted to do that. But then we looked at Perkins Park and we thought there would be a lot more room. But it's not as roomy as, as we looked. And Dan's been very, very good about sitting down with us probably four or five times, looking over his plans. So I guess what I'm trying to say here, ya know, I think the question is now we got the bonding coming up and ya know, I'm wide open on this. I realize that any time you bond for something that it's just more money that we have to look at and take care of. I feel that this sport would be an economic development boost, especially for the West side, but for the city of Green Bay. The folks that do come in are generally a little older, they're retired, they spend money. A lot of the sports that we have in town here are user sports. So you might have little league, you've go soccer, you got that type of thing. And the folks may come in with their food, their drink, what have you and they may not spend as much money but the pickle ball crowd that would be coming around would be spending some money. So we've looked at Military Avenue for example and we're looking at the fact that, if that three or four stores that are out right now. So I think it could be a boon for that area and also for the city. So, I asked the pickle ball group if they would like me to kind of go ahead and ask for to be put in the bond request this year. I'm wide open to the committee to talk on this. They mentioned that they would like to move ahead with this. So if it means that the seed is planted, we put it in for the bond request, but then they decide, well maybe next year. Maybe we could do it this year. So with that being said, on behalf of this pickle ball group, I am going to request that we try to get it in the bond for this year. I realize $240,000 is a lot of money and we have a lot of other things to look at. But whether we do it this year or next year, the request will come forward probably next year as well. The group will go out and raise $10,000 and there may be more coming. They've talked about that as well. I feel it's a positive for the city. One of the talks that this group has had, is so that they could have regional tournaments here. They would like Wisconsin to be the pickle ball Mecca for the state of Wisconsin. And they would be drawing from all over the state, as well as all over the Midwest for tournaments. And it would be a money-making venture for the city. If you have any questions, otherwise that's all I've got.

- Any questions?

- Thank you, Mark.

- There is room for expansion at this park if ever is a need to add more. You can easily expand to the East, which is another positive of this location.

- Anybody else Anybody else?

- Director, other projects around the city like little league baseball. What do they put towards new facilities.

- It depends on the project. Typically we haven't done a lot of major, large projects like that where we've renovated an entire field. And usually what happens with little league groups or baseball groups is they come in after the fact and improve a field. So they'll put in batting cages, or ya know, put in covered dugouts, or ya know, put in some nice fencing topper on the outfield fence or they'll do scoreboards. So they usually don't get involved with the initial construction, it's always kind of adding to it and improving.

- Maybe just a comment. I think economic boon would be a tough one to defend, Mark. But I appreciate the appeal. But the one thing I would corroborate though is that, pickle ball is a growing sport and I've seen a lot of data on this in terms of its growth and popularity. And I think parks department needs to be just as receptive as any other department when it comes to new trends that are emerging in our community When you see demand from residents to use a certain type of facility. The one thing I'm maybe struggling with a little bit on this process and so I think it's one of those things where as a committee we can say, sure, we'll put in the request. But that's acknowledging when it comes time to debate the budget and the bond requests that any member of this committee or the council at that time could choose to say it's not a priority. To me it seems easy to say, yeah, we'll throw it in there and consider it, but, decide later if it's something that you know, that rises to the top. But, if there's something I'm misunderstanding about the process I'm certainly open to what others alders have to share.

- I think in general I think, you're correct. It's a growing sport, we do see that trend in even a lot of other calls from neighboring communities. So it's something that we could use more of these in the parks. But, as you know, other demands and other things going on in the parks also. So, it's tough to pick and choose.

- And it didn't make your list, right?

- It did not make my list for 2020.

- Is that because the request wasn't there when you were considering your list or because it wasn't a priority from your perspective?

- I would say a combination of both. So I wouldn't say it wasn't a priority. I would say our bond request is pretty minimal and I think this year we asked for $1.1 million in our bond request. Last year, we got even less than that. And what we requested were projects that we've been talking about for years or things that really need to be, really just improved and fixed. So, this was something new that came up, as far as this request and where some of the other ones we've been talking about for a number of years. But I would say there is a demand for it.

- I know several people who are playing pickle ball, acquaintances that I know and they tell me other people, there's a lot. But they're playing at a private facilities. So, this is something that's private but they're doing it, something that there's some money that they're getting from, but also because it's growing so much I think too, do we want to lose out on

- Thank you. What are you wishes? I don't want to bring down Alderman Nicholson.

- It's popular, I mean what kind of revenue, any projections of what the revenue might be brought in? I mean people are gonna spend money I'd like to see something on paper.

- In this case it's in the Military District so the hope would be, people would go to the restaurants and shop there and walk Military Avenue. But I don't know if we have any statistics. I know probably the pickle ball national group might have some statistics on that. But it's really more vocalizing

- But I think, Andy, what you're saying on that is really, we don't have a whole lot to draw from here because we don't really have, we have a little bit of it. But some of that data could be gathered from Phoenix or Miami or some of these other cities that have it and then see what. Maybe that was a poor choice of words when I said the But, their responsibilities for monies to come in. Like I said, we don't have those numbers and all because we don't have them per se.

- So you build it, they will come.

- Yeah, they will.

- I guess I'll just commentate, the information had for here would be we do have an active Eastside pickle-ball group that, they go there pretty much nightly and they play and then they also run two pickle-ball leagues with us. So we collaborate on two pickle-ball tournaments and the one pickle-ball tournament in July sells out and the one we just had on Tuesday this week, yesterday, sells out also. So, I mean, we go for two days, they play multiple games throughout the weekend. 75 teams come and they're from all over the place. This last one, most of the teams were from the Fox Valley area. Like over half of the teams were actually from like Appleton. So it does bring people into Green Bay.

- Well, I was just gonna comment. I mean, one difficulty or concern that we have is these are outdoor courts . Have, you know, look at some other things to do, like go inside, you know, the gymnasiums of the schools during the offseason and try some other pickle-ball stuff to build the sport and figure out, you know, whether this is a good idea or not in the future but.

- Alderman Brunette, that's actually a great idea. Let me see if we can collaborate with some of the school's indoor facilities because I remember every time I played pickle-ball was in high school, you know, indoors, in our school. So that might be a possibility as a way to, not deny this idea. Mark, I'm not comfortable bonding that amount this year. I mean, we just don't have enough. Last thing I want the park to, parks are meant to be overzealous and doing something if the demand is not there. I think we'll need to make sure the demand is there, so that might be a great way to put the feelers out there in the community to see if there'd be interest in having this in a high school or something.

- Just speaking and I don't want to out this group through what the pool group said, that was a much bigger project but the council required the million dollars to be raised first and then come back and then proceed. Other than the other way around. And $10,000 is 4% of the project, so maybe raise it 15% so something like that's helping make the goal a little bigger. Kinda, light the fire under there and then come back. Yeah. I mean, I'd love to throw money at every park project, believe me, but.

- Like I said, I'm fine with the committee, I just, I'm bringing this forward from the group so I

understand the dynamics.
- If we had another quarter of a million, I'm sure there's a couple projects that we've been sitting on couples I'd imagine, right?

- I think the idea of collaborating with schools, is that's what you should look at. Try to get more interest that way. I know in the summer they like to be outside. But this is something that could be build it up more and get more people interested in doing it like you said and then see next year if you have money to build a park there

- One of the things too is that with the way they paint the stipes and all that stuff, it's always a little different than some of the other courts. So would that cause any other problem inside of a school, it'd be temporary I would think.

- Thank you Alder Johnson.

- I'm gonna make a motion. I'm gonna move that we refer this to staff and add a couple of directives on there. One is to per alder, per net suggestion reach out to some schools, see if there's some interest there. And the other one is to work directly with the pickle ball group to see if we could help them craft a plan to get their total contribution up to 10% or $25,000 and then have this idea of come back up for next years bond requests since this year's is already kind of submitted or figured out.

- Second that?

- Second ballad Nicholson, discussion. Those in favor.

- I.

- Opposed. Motion carried. It's a step forward. Alright. Number three consideration possible action on the request bond and all the personal due to safety concerns brought to her attention. She's requesting that Bay Beach hire a security officer during hours of operation at the class coming from Bay Beach

- Yeah, my neighbor knows there's been drug dealing going on at Bay Beach. This was the spring. The playground equipment was there, park wasn't open officially, the rides I think might have been open on weekends. They saw kids, they figured they were. They were high school, furthermore adults. They're laughing around with their hoods up and you know, walking like this and if you walked up by them they would make sure you didn't see their face. Car comes along, they got up, they walked over towards the car, the car leaves. Ten minutes later the car comes back, three times. Drug dealings going on over there. We have to protect this park and also, when people are there, when it's in operation, the way things are going today, it's just, people are too easy, to fast to take offense and I think we need somebody there that has authority. They have to be trained, well trained. It can't be just, you just hire somebody who walks around with a walkie-talkie. They have to have, to be able to carry a gun. Ya know, real security. And I think this is really needed in the park because also we don't have, the police don't have time. They're not coming through the park like they should be. After hours, people are there in the park way after the park's closed. I've had, not this year, but I've had already and I've walked over and yelled at the person to please stop shooting fireworks off until 2 o'clock in the morning, in the park. So people are there after hours, who knows what they're doing. And that first house, I know they wanted to get out because they were robbed three times. There's no, the police don't come around. My neighbors also called because we had a

weird situation, it took the cops an hour to come. Sty was having a stroke. We didn't realize it, it was weird. But it took forever for the police to come. So, we have to protect this park. We have to have people in the park. I also know there's been problems with the kids coming in, the older kids. Very rowdy. I had another friend down the street, she said they were pushing through the vines and surprised that somebody didn't really get mad. So I think ya know,

- So several of the antic dotes you gave there didn't really have anything to do with the park, or when the park's closed. So my question is, are you here because we need security for the park or because we need to have better response time from the police department.

- We need both. We need both, actually. We need after hours, we need the police to go through and make sure by 10 o'clock that people are out and then early in the morning before the park starts. And then also we need security there, one. They used to a long time ago, used to be a gentlemen. I don't know if he was just hired as security. He used to walk around all the time. People knew he was there and I think just the presence at that time, some authority like that walking through the park, we didn't have all kinds of problems. It's after we got rid of them, then we had all the problems with the teenagers.

- What problems?

- The dances, they had to close them. They got really bad. They finally closed off the dances. That was how many years ago.

- Oh, you're talking about Teen Night?

- Yes, yeah. There never used to be, it just got worse and worse over the years. Okay, but during operations. You got people coming in from the old side of the city, not just saying they're always gonna cause problems but you got these older kids coming in and they're bused in from the school districts, they come in and she saw, she left.

- You have a question Alderman Nicholson?

- I have many questions. You're bringing up a lot of, well you said there's drug dealing, that one time, but three times in nobody called the police.

- No he didn't.

- Okay, how did you know it was drug dealing? Did you see the actual drugs?

- No but he could tell, the way the kids. They didn't want you to see them.

- When you say we're gonna have to have someone to carry a gun, the only person that can really have the authority to enforce the laws, who can carry a gun, is a policeman. So you just can't give a security guard a gun. He doesn't have the authority to do that or we're gonna have some liability problems. So do you want to hire another officer just, probably would have to hire three, four, five officers rotating shifts for anybody to have a gun in the park who enforce laws. Did you know that?

- I had somebody tell me that, if they don't have a gun people are just gonna say, blah.

- Well we're gonna have to have at least five officers basically patrol, because they need days

off. And they're gonna have to be, depending on what shift they're on. So you have to consider that. Now the gentlemen with the stroke did anyone call the fire department. That's who we'd probably want to--
- Well we didn't know.

- Okay.

- No I'm saying we didn't know what was going on but we found out after.

- And then you're saying kids are bused in by the school district. Well maybe we should talk to the school district to see why are we busing kids in.

- Oh they do it all the time, they've been doing that for years.

- Oh you mean like to have a party?

- No, no.

- Bus kids in to do what? Spend money and go on the ride?

- Yeah.

- Well I don't know how we're gonna stop that.

- Well I didn't say to stop that.

- Well I guess if we're trying to have some tight security, you're bringing and busing in kids, I don't know. Isn't that what Bay Beach is for? And older kids, what age group are the older kids, Cathy? I mean I'm just trying to clarify every thing you're saying.

- Teenagers.

- The teenagers. You know what, they're allowed to go. Dan, I mean can you help us with some of this?

- I don't want to discount what you're saying. You live out there, you might get more calls for the fact that you represent it. But I've been to Bay Beach just this year, five or six times, different times. Weekends, early, late at night, right before it closed a few times and I'll be honest, I have never, not just this year, but any other time. Even Teen Night. When I was a teen I'd go. I never felt threat there, at all. When you basically have the entire community there and I've never really experienced and maybe I'm being naive but I've never experienced anything remotely threatening and I have three kids, small kids. Four kids but three small kids. Safety is the upmost concern I have as a father. Never have I felt any threats, so I don't want to discount what you're saying, I just don't see it. I don't feel it when I'm there.

- Yeah so basically, ya know the police we'll contact them and they'll come out and take care of the situation if they need to. If we have a problem at night, or if things are happening, we just call them up and ask them to do extra patrols out there. We don't just do that for Bay Beach Amusement Park, we do that for all of our parks and they're really good about doing that whenever there's an ongoing issue or an issue that has happened multiple times. So you know, again, Jason, if you have questions for him he can then kind of talk about how we deal with it as

a staff when the police aren't there during hours of operation. But it comes down to with this request are you looking at just having security out there while we're in operation or is it literally full-time, year-round. I mean those are kinda two different topics.
- No during operations, I mean

- Alright let's here from the head of Bay Beach.

- Yeah I mean typically it's a very safe park and we're very fortunate that everyone respects the park. Ya know, there are incidents that happen once in a while. Mainly minor, we've never had a real major incident out there. And the police are usually pretty good to respond, depending on what else is going on in the city as well. We do have supervisors going through the park helping anybody that might need it. But when I comes to any kind of breaking of laws and obviously our safety concern with something like that, then we obviously call the police.

- Do you see a need for a security guard?

- I think from where we sit, when we have for instance, an event like Kid's Day we ask for increased patrol. If we know that something's coming up,--

- Of the police department?

- Of the police department. And I think speaking to what you were saying, that's probably the only way this works to have security from a security company, it might not work as well. Going back to the authority point that you made as well. So I think there is something to be said for certain times of the day. Maybe on weekends to have possible more community officer in that are once in a while. Presence makes a big difference. But as far as all the operational hours, I'm not sure that's completely necessary at this time.

- Jason, how often do the supervisors walk around?

- All day long.

- All day long? I mean on the perimeter like what Cathy was saying?

- Mm-hm. Obviously it's a big park so they can't be everywhere, but they'll walk through the midway, they have rangers that go around the park and in the parking lots to make sure no cars are being messed with as well as we can. But again too, they're college students. They're authority can be limited as well.

- Yeah but they have a radio right?

- Yeah, radio and direct contact with the police department.

- Perfect. And they're trained to respond if they see something?

- Any other questions for Cathy? Do you have any type of history of criminal activity going on at the park? I mean numbers wise?

- No we don't.

- It's just nonexistent.

- It's on a case by case basis I would say. Obviously I don't see any kind of, in the late 90's--

- I'm not looking that far back, I'm looking now. I mean other than seeing a kid walk by in a hood. Do we actually have any numbers of like criminal activity--

- No, if we call the police it's usually for maybe a fight between middle schoolers, stuff around those lines.

- Does that happen frequently?

- Maybe a dozen times a year at most. But about half we call the police.

- Do you feel the public is at risk at any time?

- No I don't.

- One second, any other questions for, anybody else here for this item?

- I just wanted to mention too if don't, we're gonna out a beach in and that's gonna grow more and more people, but ya know, my neighbors were concerned cause they saw a couple things going on, reported it to me. And ya know they just think that this is, I've had a couple of them. They go to other parks, big parks and you have to go through a gate. It's not open. You have to go through gates, they check you.

- Bay Beach is a unique situation being a city park that happens to have rides.

- Do you have any physical data with you? Did you request that at all, it may be something worth looking into.

- No and I didn't hear about the drug thing until a while after from my neighbor so. I did report it to the police and they said, oh.

- Well I asked about that and you said they did not call the police, with the drug deal.

- They didn't.

- They didn't, you did.

- Yes. After I found out about it.

- Okay.

- It was like a month later, so and then I did talk to the police about it too.

- to receive a file placed on discussion. Those in favor.

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried.
- I have some residents coming INS and I sent them the 3-10. Could someone run up there

and see if anybody's, thank you. I don't see them down here so I'm guessing they're there.

- Alright number four, consideration with possible action, apologies anybody here from improvement services. We're finishing up our parks committee and your committee will start right after.

- Okay number four. Sir, are you here for the improvement service committee?

- Yeah.

- That will be the next meeting. We're just finishing up our parks committee and then we'll take up all of your time. We're running a little longer than we thought, we had a little more robust discussion Number four is consideration with possible action on the approval of the revocable private transmission facilities permit to install fiber-optic cables through Joann's park to East High School. So an engineering consult in one place on behalf of Brown County and proposed that fiber optic cable installation through Joann's park to secure a permanent internet connection for East High School. So the proposed cable would come out of the building on the East side of East High, go towards the river and once it hits our riverfront trail, it would head south and it would follow the trail south. Now there are maps on the agenda packet if you want to look at that, aligned up with the agreement. And then it would kind of end at Kurts Avenue, which is just south of Joann's stadium. And that's where we'd tie into an existing fiber optic line. So we are supportive of this request. The Fiber optic line would be board underground. No trees, walks or asphalt parking lots would be damaged during the installation. We did discuss this with public works as the fiber optic line will also we going through part of the right of way and it hurts avenue across several major utilities. Public Works has indicated that they're supportive of this request and what they are recommending, is instead of, what DPW is recommending is instead of Husman for this project, Public Works did draft an amendment to an existing revocable private transmission facility permits. So although they're fiber optics that were installed by the company through this existing permit. So this would just be an ammendment to that permit. We do have somebody here from the consulting firm, if you have any specific questions for him.

- Any questions?

- Motion to approve

- Second

- Second by Alderman Johnson to move any discussion on this, those in favor?

- I.

- Motion carried.

- All right, thank you for coming, you don't have to go. Stay for a bit. All right, consideration possible number 5. Consideration possible action in accepting a possible 23.33 acre donation parcels 27379, 21385, 21386, 21387 from the Baird Creak Preservation Foundation located near the Baird Creek freeway.

- And there is a map in your agenda packet if you want to page to that. But, throughout the years the Baird Creak Preservation Foundation has teamed up with the city on numerous

occasions to purchase property in the greenway. They also do trail maintenance and they also do various native preservation projects throughout the greenway. So they did approach us about a month or two ago and indicated that they were in discussions with the family of the owner of these parcels. So it's one family that owns all of them. To purchase 27.33 acres of the greenway and it's just West of Huron Road. The foundation did apply for a PNI grant to assist with the acquisition cost of purchasing the property. So the desire is the Preservation Foundation would like to purchase the property using the grant dollars and donations that they receive and then actually donate it to the city at no cost. They have really no interest in being long-term owners of the property. So this 27 acres is split through the middle by an active railroad. Property to the South is heavily wooded and is adjacent to existing residential. And property to the North is mainly agricultural fields with wooded areas around the perimeter. If you look at our outdoor rec plan, you'll see that the property is shown as a proposed future greenland in our parks recreational. So this acquisition is consistant with our long rang plan for that area. So the DNR is currently in the process of reviewing the grant application from the Baird Creek Preservation Foundation. And they'd like to know for sure if the city is committed to accepting the donation of the property before they decide on awarding the grant. So from a staff standpoint I would be in support of accepting the donation. There are just a couple of stipulations that the DNR would put on this property that we have to follow if this ends up being a successful transaction. So they would require that the property be maintained permanently as undeveloped open space. So we wouldn't be able to put a parking lot in there, we wouldn't be able to put an open shelter in there, we couldn't sell it off for residential permanent open space. Which is consistent with that area of what we would do with that if the park opened a greenway there. The other stipulation they would have is they would require the removal of the invasive buck barn on the Southern property and the Baird Creek Preservation Foundation is well equipped to do that for the city using volunteers and they have agreed to do that in this situation at no cost to the city. So that'll kind of be ongoing with them. The only only other thing that still is kinda up in the air is what we would do is before we accept the final donation, we would do a quick environmental analysis to make sure there is no contamination on site because that hasn't been done yet. So we would do that. And I guess what I would recommend if you're willing to approve this, contingent upon the successful purchase by the Foundation and then an environmentally view is done for the property before accepting the donation. And if we find anything substantial in that environmental review, we'll then bring it back for reconsideration.

- Thank you, Director. Any questions from the committee? Alderman Johnson?

- What type of long term maintenance costs do you see the city incurring on this property?

- The city wouldn't incur anything, basically the only maintenance that's really involved because this will be like I said this will be kind of an undisturbed natural area. So long-term it's just gonna be the removal of the buck barn which other than that it's just the greenway that's left natural.

- Paying Taxes right now?

- Right now they are correct It would not be here if the city accepted a donation.

- How many taxes is it? I did not look that up, I can have that for you by council if you're interested. Well keep in mind--

- Is it significant? Well it's all undevelopeable and might be appraised or assessed a little bit

higher than the property itself. The property itself is 100% undevelopeable.

- It's in alignment with the long-term plan--
- It's, yeah the long-term plan that's been in place for many many years.

- I would move to accept that contingency that it passes successfully environmental examination. their discussion. Those in favor?

- I. Opposed, motion carried. Those who just came in, we're finishing up the Park Committee and then we'll roll right into the Improvement Service Committee. We only have a few items left. Where else would you rather be? Number six consideration of possible on the approval of a revocable permit with Green Bay Riverside Unit Owners Association Inc. to allow the construction of a staircase adjacent to the Fox River Trial at parcel 12431.

- So the owner of this parcel contact is a ciliate with a desire to construct an access walk from their outdoor deck to the Fox River Trail. So in order to make that connection, they would have to build a staircase to handle the great elevations between the trail and their outdoor deck which is on private property. So all of the costs for the trail connection and the staircase would be the responsibility of property owner. They will also be responsible to repair any construction damage to the greenway or the trail. If this is approved, they would like to begin construction fairly quickly and make that connection this year. As a staff, we are supportive of this agreement. Public Works did put this initial draft together of this agreement and I don't think anyone's had any concerns with this.

- Questions from the committee.

- Motion to approve.

- Alder Nicholson, Alder Brunette, discussion. Those in favor.

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried. Thank you. And number seven consideration for possible eligibility with Alder Brunette to relocate the annual Kiddie Carnival effective 2020 on the city parks . Brunette.

- We came up for this thought for years and I know, perhaps I don't know the history behind the conversations you and I had, that the past mayor really wanted to increase the number of activity in the downtown area. Which is a noble goal, but to my opinion locating the kid carnival downtown the most desirable place in ways of traffic. It's kind of in my opinion, an unsafe environment, there's quite a bit of police presence that's required there to direct traffic. And I noticed this year, I don't know whose decision this was. But there was another event there. I think that increased the amount of traffic in the area. An event that was more geared towards adults. So moving it to a park, if there is, I know it was your idea.

- It's my event.

- So, it works most years, it would have been fine but with some of the developmental along Broadway which you're probably involved in as well, that there's less parking and so it created more of a long jam this year than in past years. So before going to that event this year, in the past I just Kolbert Park would be a wonderful facility, especially since we're hopefully going to

be opening the pool this year, it's a great way to, in my opinion, increase the awareness of the community towards the swimming pool and increase the number of users. With that I'll just turn back to you.
- Director?

- Yeah so I mean there's pros and cons to having a park versus other parks and vice versa so James will kinda go over a few bullet points that way we can be informed about the history and why it's there now.

- [James] All right, the history of the Kiddie Carnival Parade. Are you guys ready? I got a big crowd over here so, I'm excited. The carnival began in 1947 at Fisk Park and then it rotated between Fisk and Astor in the 1950's. Then it was held at Joannie's Park beginning in 1960, until 2009. The carnival, at one year at Bay Beach in 2010 and then it's been held at Lake Park from 2011 until currently this year. So, it's only been in really, essentially, four different parks and so there's a lot of pros. We talked extensively with staff because there's a lot of logistics that go into a bigger event and there's a lot of different things we take in consideration when we move to Lake Park. One was the parade, because the parade used to go from Joannie's down Almond Street and then we would actually end at Veteran's Memorial Park and then that would that parade that was happening one day and then the next day, the carnival would happen. And there's a lot of logistics with two days and streets and closures and some complaints we got on that. So, we actually combined into one day, so that's why we currently do the walking parade and the carnival all on the same night. When it comes to moving the Kiddie Carnival Parade, essentially, I mean. We can do it whenever, honestly. But it does have a lot more concerns to be addressed if we put it into a neighborhood park that doesn't have any certain amount of electricity that we need, ya know water hookups, different ya know with the space. I don't know if you looked at the space of course with the carnival but it is a pretty large footprint. So putting it just anywhere isn't gonna work to well. Parking, ya know, depending on where the location is we can definitely look at our park maintenance crews and all the different prep they have to do. They actually have to get all those stakes and the fencing prepped prior. It does take into consideration if there's league games in certain areas or if there's different other events going on. Lake Park is kind of an open slate and it works really really well for actually running this carnival. Over the years, our numbers have actually consistently increased. So in terms of participation, we've never seen a drop, we've actually seen an increase in participation. So there's a lot of different factors that go into it I guess. And essentially it comes down to what do you want the carnival and parade to look. I personally think it's a great opportunity to look at something with the fact that our parks department is 100 years old next year. So we actually, first and overall, we're always looking at special events and different themes and different ways to celebrate our community and our park system next year and through the year so I definitely think I can be part of that conversation and what that actually looks like. Is it an opportunity to celebrate multiple things going on. So, essentially I can go through a lot of the pros and cons if you wanna have two or three pages, I know people wanna hear this here. I wanna know kinda what are your overall, is it just to put it into a community park or is it to actually have the most attendance. Typically I will say when we do move event this large, you will see a decrease in participation in the first year or two until it gets back to where people recognize where it is and the timeframe. So there's a lot of pros, to doing at Lake Park some of the concerns would be the amount of activity at Lake Park. I will say that in a good way we've seen uptake in a number of special events and requests for rentals. Sometimes when you have a big tall ships coming in, then we have to move our date for the Kiddie Carnival to a different date to accommodate the other event. You know there's other events that we collaborate with, which in this case I thought, nothing but overall positive remarks from people that came down to see and a lot of the people that came down, our

intention was for them maybe, I've never seen a Kiddie Carnival or maybe new group of people to come and see what we have going on and raise awareness for the Playground program, that's part of what we do. There's a lot of different ways to look at it I guess. Right off the bat though, Joannie's. I know we brought it up last time a little bit when I talked to you and one of the major concerns with that is the irrigation. That's why it was moved from Joannie's, one of the major reasons why is we put irrigation in, we couldn't pound the stakes in for the different carnival bulls and that thing. So we had to totally think about how we do carnivals differently.

- I think I have an idea, if the trim line of participation has been going up I know that moving it to a new location would cause a disruptive attendance, maybe the word doesn't get out there. It's such a credible community event that if the participation is increasing every year, I don't want to stop the momentum. So if I could, unless the other committee members have an opinion, if I could just make a motion to park staff to come up with 3 other park options instead that this event could be relocated to and we continue discussion at another time.

- Second that?

- That the recommendation I was going to make. But maybe a list of alternative parks that could do this pros and cons. So what I think your request is on that. It was the Love It at Green Bay music series which is promoted as a family friendly event. I encourage you to bring your three children.

- Every Tuesday night.

- Close discussion, those in favor.

- I. Opposed, closed motion.

- I second with that.

- Number eight, consideration of selection of to study and report the. I thought all of district twelve was a park personally.

- No its, so what I did, if you look through your agenda packet you'll see there's a map and there's a chart. So the map is actually a map from our Green Bay Recreation and Open Space plan that was revised about 5 years ago. But you'll see on those maps where it shows all of the existing parks are and where all of the proposed parks are at least in that plan. And as far as the proposed parks go, I've been with the city for 19 years now for the most part, the proposed parts in this district have changed in the 19 years I've been here, as far what is shown graphically on the plan. If you look at the chart, it lists the actual parks, which ones are Green Bay which ones I got owned and which ones are school parks. I guess for now this is the information we were able to pull together without knowing what additional information

- Sure, Dan this is more than what I was looking for at this point so I thank you very much. One thing I want you to be aware of though, the area between North-West and WTC and let's just say on the map Barty Middle School, this happens quite often. That's the three sisters neighborhood. There's actually a park in there. I think part of the issue with three sisters was developing and creating that whole white space. There are actually quite a few streets in there. So I don't know if it's a tribally owned area that is just not reflective of maps, but that is not a blank area. There are streets that go in and out of there. And there is a tribally owned park

there. So you might wanna update the map. If I could just make a motion to refer this back to staff to work with all Alderman Brunette on, I want to create more of an iterative to justify including that number of parks and number of developed park area. So just a motion to refer to staff to work with Alderman Brunette.

- Motion made by Nicholson, discussion. Those in favor.

- I.

- Motion carried. Informational directors department.

- Almost done.

- Before we change I'll just point out a few things.

- Yeah I mean a, as you guys know summer season for us is starting to come to an end. Playgrounds is finishing up this week. Pools will finish up next week. We've had a great season with both of those actually. We had a really hot July and that's helped us out. June wasn't so hot, but the playgrounds finished up, Kiddie Carnival parade and then this week they celebrate their vocation. So we had 22 summer camps at the Wildlife Sanctuary this summer. All of which were really well attended. Had over 230 kids in summer camps through the course of the summer. And then we're just working hard to get through the summer and start to priority for fall and winter. But, that's really all I have. I mean we're just happy to, happy summer's done. We love summer but--

- Motion received place on file.

- Kolberg Construction starts soon.

- It starts next week.

- Those in favor.

- I.

- Opposed, motion carried. The next Park Committee is tentatively scheduled September 11, 2019.

- Motion to adjourn.

- those in favor.

- I.

- Opposed, we're adjourned.