



MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024, 5:00 PM

In person at City Hall, Room 207.

Virtual attendance is also available via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

- I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:

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B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Alder Chris Wery, Alder Melinda Eck, Alder Ben Delie, Alder Joey Prestley

Others Present: Director Dan Ditscheit, Deputy Director James Andersen, Dan Madigan-Optimist Club, Jacqueline Frank-National Railroad Museum, Brian Pelot-City Forester, Steve Lakatos-WLS Superintendent, Brenna Ruomabarra-Forestry apprentice, Alder Jim Hutchinson, Lacey Cochart-City Deputy Attorney

C. ELECTION

- I. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Parks Committee.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve Ald Delie as Chair.
Motion Failed 2-2.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Ben Delie, No- Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve Ald. Eck as Chair.
Motion Failed 2-2.

Yes- Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- Ben Delie, Joey Prestley, Abstain- None.

Committee did not elect a chair or vice-chair. The election is being held until next Parks committee meeting.

D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration with possible action on the donation of new batting cages at East River Optimist Park.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to open the floor.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to close the floor.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve the donation of new batting cages from the Green Bay Optimist Club at East River Optimist Park.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

2. Consideration with possible action on the request by the National Railroad Museum to construct an addition to their main building at Cooke Park, which is the site of the National Railroad Museum.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to open the floor.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to close the floor.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve the request by the National Railroad Museum to construct an addition to their main building at Cooke Park,

which is the site of the National Railroad Museum.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

3. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a sponsorship agreement with Children's Hospital and Health System, Inc. for a donation of \$20,000 towards Kid's Day on June 25th, 2024.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to approve a sponsorship agreement with Children's Hospital and Health System, Inc. for a donation of \$20,000 towards Kid's Day on June 25th, 2024.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

4. Consideration with possible action on granting a permanent utility easement at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary to American Transmission Company LLC for a total cost of \$31,700.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve selling a permanent utility easement at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary to American Transmission Company LLC for \$31,700.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

5. Consideration with possible action on the proposed Prairie Habitat Restoration project at He-Nis-Ra Park.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve the proposed Prairie Habitat Restoration project at He-Nis-Ra Park.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

6. Consideration with possible action on the approval of the Wildlife Sanctuary Service Animal Policy and Procedure document.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to approve the Wildlife Sanctuary Service Animal Policy and Procedure document.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

7. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of (2) Polaris Ranger 570 UTV's from Polaris Sales Inc., for a total cost of \$27,175.30.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the purchase of (2) Polaris Ranger 570 UTV's from Polaris Sales Inc., for a total cost of \$27,175.30.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

8. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of 1 Polaris Ranger XP 1000 with track system from Polaris Sales Inc., for a total cost of \$32,674.08.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the purchase of 1 Polaris Ranger XP 1000 with track system from Polaris Sales Inc., for a total cost of \$32,674.08.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

9. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of a 180' x 88' ProWall-Ice Rink System for Colburn Park from Sport Resource Group for a total cost of \$63,780.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the purchase of a 180' x 88' ProWall-Ice Rink System for Colburn Park from the Sport Resource Group for a total cost of \$63,780.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

10. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of (2) Raypak Pool Heaters for the Resch Aquatic Center from PBBS Equipment Corp. for a total cost of \$59,790.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the purchase of (2) Raypak Pool Heaters for the Resch Aquatic Center from PBBS Equipment Corp. for a total cost of \$59,790.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

G. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Review of the Bay Beach Amusement Park Ride Ticket Structure for the 2024 season.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to receive and place on file the review of the Bay Beach Amusement Park Ride Ticket Structure for the 2024 season.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

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

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to receive and place on file Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry.
Motion Passed.

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.

3. Next Meeting: May 15, 2024.

H. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to adjourn.

Motion .

Yes- Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No- None, Abstain- None.