

PARK BOARD MINUTES

**Thursday, March 11, 2010 Special Meeting
6:30 P.M.**

165 West Washington Street, Burlington, WI 53105

<p>Chairman Darrell Eisenhardt, Commissioners Clay Brandt, Tom Follis, Kelly Kamlager, Todd Schalinske, Peter Turke, Alderman Bob Prailes, DPW Supervisor Richard Pieters, Students Paul Dixon and Mac Sheperd</p>

Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Commissioners Clay Brandt, Tom Follis, Peter Turke, Alderman Bob Prailes, DPW Supervisor Richard Pieters, Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt, students Paul Dixon and Mac Sheperd. Also present: Aaron DeGrave, Park Foreman. Excused: Commissioners Kelly Kamlager and Todd Schalinske.

Approval of February 11, 2010 Minutes: Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion for approval of the February 11, 2010 Minutes. Motion to approve made by Alderman Prailes. Seconded by Commissioner Turke. All voted aye, motion carried.

Citizens Comments: None

Aldermanic Report: Alderman Bob Prailes had obtained rough estimates for repair of the roof and electrical updates to code at Brannen field. Estimates received for total roof replacement and electrical upgrades was \$12,000. Richard Pieters, DPW Supervisor, stated he knew repairs are needed badly, but was unsure of where funding would come from.

DPW Supervisor Report: Richard Pieters stated he is working on an agreement for future tree planting. Due to wires being involved with tree trimming and underground utilities, any future trees removed and then new trees replanted, the City will not place them in the right-of-way if there is obstructions.

Residents may still receive a tree to be planted in their front yard, out of the right-of-way, and the tree would then become the homeowner's liability for future maintenance. The homeowner would be required to sign a hold harmless agreement for any tree placed on their private property. Mr. Pieters will come back with more information when he gets the form completed.

New Business

1. **Approval of Bids Received for Lighting at Beaumont Field:**

The Commissioner reviewed the bids received for the Lighting at Beaumont field. The lowest bid was from Pieper Electric for contract bid price of \$145,451.00.

After some discussion, Chairman Eisdhardt entertained a motion to approve Pieper Electric's bid of \$145,451.00. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Follis. Seconded by Alderman Prailes. All voted aye, motion carried.

The Commissioners discussed the lower bid amount and how the extra dollars would be divided up for savings. The City to pay \$80,000, and Park Board funds and Baseball 2000 to split the remainder of \$65,451.00. Alderman Prailes will speak with Kevin Lahner, City Administrator to define how the lesser amount will be divided for repayment.

2. **Dog Park Storage Shed/Angie Halverson**

Elsa Brown representing the Dog Park Committee presented measurements and picture rendering of a shed that they would like to construct at the Dog Park The BHS Tech Ed Department would construct the building at an estimated cost of \$700.00. Ms. Brown also stated they would have a poured cement slab under the shed.. The Commissioner discussed their presentation and saw no problem as long as it was according to City of Burlington code, which would have to be determined by Pat Scherrer, City of Burlington Building Inspector. Alderman Prailes stated he would check with Pat Scherrer for placement requirements.

Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion for conceptual approval for placing the shed at the Dog Park as presented, as long as the plan is approved by the Building Inspector Motion to approve made by Alderman Prailes. Seconded by Commissioner Brandt. All voted aye, motion carried.

Chairman Eisenhardt asked the Dog Park Committee if they had a balance report that used for the accounting of their fund. Angie Halvorsen stated a report was done quarterly, and a copy provided to City Hall. Chairman Eisenhardt requested a copy to be provided via email to Deb Rintamaki. Angie Halverson stated that could be done.

Ms. Halverson and Ms. Brown also inquired if something could be done with the parking lot at the Dog Park as they are several big holes and it is very muddy. Mr. Pieters explained it was currently too wet to bring equipment in there, but once it dried up, they could place millings in the parking lot, which should help.

Old Business: None

Other Items: Aaron DeGrave, Park Foreman asked if he could be included in on the meetings with Schreiber Anderson. He has several ideas he would like to see done in the Parks, and thought they could be incorporated with the Park Plan.

Mr. DeGrave also stated he would like to remove the fencing (3 sides) at Brannen field,

which is currently around the tennis courts. Removal of all four side of fence may be possible if Little League did not have a problem with removal. He also wanted to remove the asphalt in the tennis courts, and have the parking lot paved. The lighting may be removed at a future date, possibly when electrical is updated on the concession stand/bathrooms.

The Commissioners discussed and decided it would be a good idea, but asked Aaron to talk to Scott Beneke from Little League to see if they had any concerns. There was also discussion of putting up playground equipment on the site at a future date. Aaron to check into pricing for costs of playground equipment.

Mr. DeGrave also stated he was concerned with the narrow sidewalk along Hwy. 36, by Echo Lake. He would like to make it a 9' bike/ped path and have it extend more into the park area. He felt that safety is a main concern for children and adults along the narrow path. The Commissioners discussed the possibility of applying for grant money, or having it put into the budget for next year.

The Commissioners also discussed the playground equipment for Hintz Sports Complex, which was previously budgeted. Deb Rintamaki will look back in the Minutes for budgeted amount, and place item for discussion on next month's agenda.

There being no further items for discussion, Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Follis. Seconded by Commissioner Turke. All voted aye and Chairman Eisenhardt adjourned the meeting at 7:50 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Deb Rintamaki
Department of Public Works