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CITY OF BURLINGTON PARK BOARD MINUTES**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2015 6:30PM****2200 S. Pine Street, Burlington, WI 53105**

Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt, Commissioners Jennifer Amborn, Clay Brandt, Lori Hintz, Jeff Schopp, Peter Turke, Ald. Ruth Dawidziak, DPW Supervisor Dan Jensen, P.E.
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Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Present: Commissioners Clay Brandt, Jeff Schopp, Peter Turke, DPW Supervisor Dan Jensen, and Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt. **Excused:** Lori Hintz and Jennifer Amborn. **Absent:** Ald. Ruth Dawidziak. **Also present:** Nicole Witbrod, Student Representative.

Chairman Eisenhardt welcomed Ms. Witbrod, and told her she was welcome to participate in all of the discussions that take place during the Park Board Meetings and that her input was welcomed. Ms. Witbrod stated she was a junior at BHS and looked forward to attending the Park Board meetings.

Approval of October 22, 2015 Park Board Minutes: Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion to approve the October 22, 2015 Minutes. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Brandt. Seconded by Commissioner Turke. All voted aye, motion carried.

Citizens Comments: None

Aldermanic Report: Ruth Dawidziak: None

Steve DeQuaker, Treasurer: Presented the fund balances to the Park Board. Wehmhoff Trust Fund has a balance of \$53,822.61. The Park Development Fund has a balance of \$28,992.93. There is still outstanding grant monies due of \$45,000. Balances do not reflect the \$50,000 previously approved by the Park Board for Soccer. Mr. DeQuaker was unsure of what the exact amount would be budgeted from the City Council, but thought it would be the same as last year, which was \$25,000.

The \$9050.00 for the Bushnell Park Maintenance Agreement had been received from Racine County and deposited.

DPW Supervisor Report: Dan Jensen: Reported he will be setting up a meeting with Melissa Cook, DNR Trail Manager, Blake Thiesen of Ayers and Associates and Jim Metzger of Racine County to discuss the trail road trestle and bike trail improvements at Bushnell Park.

Dan Jensen reported that he would be pursuing the planning portion only for the upgrade of bathrooms at Congress field.

Steve and Judy Driscoll, who were at the October 22, 2015 Park Board meeting had requested the City of Burlington to allow overnight RV parking in City Parks. They had said other communities allowed it for either no charge or a minimal fee. Three of the communities they mentioned were Cambridge, Wisconsin, Preston, Iowa and Kansas City, Kansas. Deb Rintamaki contacted the three communities and each responded they do not allow overnight RV parking in any of their parks.

New Business:

BB2000 – Field and Fencing: Jim Luedeke and Steve Bartlett came before the Park Board to present items they would like to pursue at Beaumont field. They proposed placing an announcers' booth, which would allow radio stations to broadcast the baseball games. They stated that at times people would stand in front of the booth currently being used, making it impossible for the announcer to see what was happening with the game.

The booth would be approximately 13 ft. in total height. It would sit on top of a raised 5', open bottom stand and the broadcast booth itself would be approximately 8 ft. high. They thought possibly the costs could be covered by donations and the proposal they received to build it was for \$10,000. A 40' trench for the electric would need to be dug, and would be done by a licensed electrician.

They also proposed raising the outfield approximately 6 feet. Dave Kmetz of Reesman's shot the grades that would be necessary to raise the outfield. They thought the cost would be approximately \$70,000. They also discussed the fence that they stated was in bad shape.

After a lengthy discussion, Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion to allow BB2000 to move forward with their plans, and to come back to the Park Board when they have final drawings. After Park Board approval they would then need City Council approval in addition to obtaining any necessary permits. Commissioner Turke motioned to approve as stated by Chairman Eisenhardt. Seconded by Commissioner Schopp. All voted aye, motion carried.

Dan Jensen, DPW Supervisor had informed them that should Baseball 2000 want to ask the Park Board for any funds, they would need to fill out the proper paperwork that could be obtained from the Department of Public Works.

Chairman Eisenhardt asked that they contact Dan Jensen, DPW Supervisor or Deb Rintamaki, DPW Administrative Assistant if they would like to be on the January 21, 2016 Park Board Agenda.

Old Business: None

Other Items: There will no Park Board Meeting in December. The next scheduled meeting will be January 21, 2016.

Baseball 2000 Summary of Receipts and Disbursements: Distributed by Darrel Eisenhardt. Balance: \$3413.52.

There being no further items for discussion, Chairman Eisenhardt entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Turke. Seconded by Commissioner Schopp. All voted aye, and Chairman Eisenhardt adjourned the meeting at 7:35 P.M.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

**Deb Rintamaki
Department of Public Works**