

**PARK & REC COMMITTEE**  
**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017 @ 6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hearley @ 6:06 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Todd Hearley, Tere Hockmuth, Diane Motiff  
Excused: Sue Anderson  
Absent: Dean Reed  
Others Present: Park and Rec. Director John Bostedt, City Administrator Sara Perrizo, Victoria Bostedt, Campground Manager Rex Loendorf and wife
3. **Hockmuth moved approval of the agenda; Motiff called second. 3 Ayes**
4. **Approval of the Park & Rec. Minutes from the January 18, 2017 Meeting were placed in motion by Motiff and seconded by Hockmuth. 3 Ayes**
5. Public Input: None.
6. Correspondence: None.
7. **Discussion/recommendation/action on the following:**
  - a) Parks & Recreation
    - i. Update on Skateboard Park/Fundraisers for Bike/Skateboard Park— V. Bostedt began with Winterfest success including raffle, 17 chilies, and attendance. The fund raiser was for the Skateboard/BMX Park. She thanked Tere Hockmuth for her volunteerism. The event net \$1,203.25 last year; donation cards throughout the City added \$353.80; \$1,000 is a Kiwanis pledge; \$50.00 came from Mayor Lloyd Heier; 2017 Winterfest totaled \$1,258.70 with a now visible total of \$3,865.75. The goal is \$12,000 to pour the concrete foundation. Bostedt has spoken to various clubs/organizations for donations. Brother's III April pizza-of-the-month will be dedicated toward the Park. The Park's group will hold their next fundraiser March 25, 1 p.m. @ OHS: Park and Rec. with Utility vs. Police/Fire Departments in a basketball game. Funds will come from entry, tee shirts, concessions, and a basket raffle. The City Hall Girls will be showing their presence and possibly coaching as well. All major Skate Park sponsors will be posted at the building site. Administrator Perrizo duplicated a handout showing specs/costs. The Bond Foundation will have input. Park promoters plan to set concrete by fall.  
**Hockmuth motioned the Winterfest monies remaining after expense will be donated to the Oconto Skate/BMX Park. Motiff called second. 3 Ayes**

Anderson sent informative articles to the paper.

Note that future Winterfest events will have recycling containers.

ii. Bird City awaits Cordula Van Den Heuvel's next report.

iii. Ideas from the Joint Committees Meeting will result after Wednesday, February 22 @ 6 p.m.

b) Ageson Pool

i. Friday/Saturday Night Adult Swim Parties— Tabled for Anderson.

ii. Pool Improvements or Projects 2017— Tabled for Anderson.

c) Holtwood Campground

i. Update Bathroom/Shower Building— Administrator Perrizo suggested \$114,000 be spent toward the project; the balance would be put on a bond and then begin construction. The Committee felt that money needs to be greater in the 2017 fund for needs at the facility.

**Motiff motioned to utilize \$100,000 out of the Holtwood fund balance and that we bond \$50,000 for the balance of the cost to build the Holtwood Campground bath/shower/laundry/storm shelter building. Hockmuth resounded with a second.**

**3 Ayes**

Chairman Hearley and Director Bostedt will meet to get specs within the next week.

A gaming room elsewhere in the future is speculated.

ii. Big Stumps in Campground— Hearley suggested we hire a wood carver to create a jumping fish and eagle out of the remaining stumps rather than grind them out. Given a curing period, the statues will be sealed. Hearley will seek some pricing. (A contest of another of the carver's work (donated) could create funds for future "dead wood".)

iii. Reservations 2017— We have a waiting list for Memorial Weekend sites with tenting yet in the overflow area open. Hearley suggested Bostedt look at the overflow area for water and utility development and note potential cost.

d) City Park/City Park Campground— On site building improvements are being anticipated for end of March/early April, weather permitting.

e) Holtwood Sporting Complex is being spread with dirt piles by the river in the Disc Golf site. This direction is acceptable. The culvert will be fixed but continue with water drainage as that is necessary to the location.

8. Parks Update

i. City Docks – Tere Hockmuth – It has been noted that the snow fencing is broken/down.

ii. City Park & Campground – Diane Motiff

- iii. Copper Culture – Todd Hearley
- iv. Freedom Park – All
- v. Holtwood Park – Sue Anderson
- vi. Sharp Park – Dean Reed – The bathrooms must be continually monitored.
- vii. Bond Park – Diane Motiff

9. Special Events Update

i. Winterfest 2017 in its 6<sup>th</sup> year has met with total success. Bucket golf is a keeper sport. A winter suggestion is to keep the pond clean/smooth for the event which could include ice skating. Also, a more cooperative atmosphere needs to be met with the owners. A detailed ground rules contract stating all expectations/hours and intent as well as a flat rental fee will be established. (This would include pre and post cleaning.) A possible “donation” bartender could be added. Note: recycling.

ii. 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Walk 2017 – Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Copper Culture State Park 6-8 p.m.; Setup Time 3:30 p.m.

iii. 2017 WGAS Fishing Tournament had a successful turnout of about 400 people.

10. Next meeting date/time: **Wednesday, March 15 @ 6 p.m.**

11. **Motiff motioned adjournment @ 7:48 p.m. Hockmuth summoned a second.**

**M/C**

**3 Ayes**

Minutes submitted by  
Susan K. Seidl