

**THE PARK & REC. COMMITTEE**  
**Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 6:00 P.M.**  
**OCONTO CITY HALL/COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- 1.) The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hearley.
- 2.) Roll Call: Sue Anderson, Todd Hearley, Diane Motiff  
Excused: Tere Hochmuth  
Absent: Dean Reed  
Also Present: Director of Parks, Rec., and Forestry John Bostedt, Cordula Van DenHeuvel, Trista Hobbs/UPEA, Rex Loendorf/Holtwood Campground Manager, Alderperson LeBreck, Keith Pillsbury/Spartan Race
- 3.) **Hearley announced election of Chairperson. Nominations were called 3 times and then closed by Anderson with a second of Motiff. Hearley was chosen as Chairperson of the Park and Rec. Committee with a motion of Motiff and second of Anderson.**  
(3 Ayes)
- 4.) **Election of Vice Chairperson nominations were called 3 times then closed by Anderson with a second of Hearley electing Motiff as Vice Chairperson of the Park and Rec. Committee via the same motion.**  
(M/C)
- 5.) **Anderson moved for approval of Agenda; Motiff seconded.**  
(M/C)
- 6.) **With awareness of the need to approve the Joint Meeting of 4/30/18 yet, Approval of Park & Rec. Meeting Minutes from March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 & April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were called into motion by Motiff. Anderson seconded.**  
(3 Ayes)
- 7.) Public Input: None.
- 8.) Correspondence: None.
- 9.) Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:
  - a.) Parks & Recreation
    - i. Bird City Leader Van DenHeuvel shared that City Docks Purple Martin houses will be up the 15<sup>th</sup> of May. All others houses have been prepared. Twenty-one young people were in attendance at the March event; July will have Purple Martin banding; September will hold our 3<sup>rd</sup> event. She requested monies for the Bird City events (\$500) and the upcoming 2 day WI Bird City Conference in September (approx. \$500). **Anderson moved to approve \$500 for Bird City events, and that mileage and hotel expenses are covered for Leader Van DenHeuvel to attend the 2018 Conference. Motiff followed up with a second.**  
(3 Ayes)
    - ii. Spartan Race – Keith Pillsbury had a handout distributed explaining a Bubble Soccer proposal to be held in the future at Holtwood. He explained that the activity began in Australia and eventually came to the program “Shark Tank”. Having a ball in the room and demonstrating it he proceeded to indicate that it lacked a lot of injury, however like size participants are expected presently. Rentals would be made available for events as well as soccer leagues/tournaments Pillsbury would provide the equipment, monitor and referee. A video accompanied. Holtwood bathroom facilities would be available. Pillsbury opens the events to local concessions. Pillsbury would have participants sign a waiver. For more information a website can be accessed.

- Suggestions were made by Bostedt as to the time, place, dates to avoid including an identified chosen field, and rental fees established: City Special Events Form and intended schedule should be completed. Bostedt preferred paint markings rather than chalk. The Committee agreed that the usual security deposit be waved but since there will be a charge to participants; a rental fee for events would be placed at \$40.00.

- **Anderson called a motion for Bubble Soccer events to be held with said above agreement, a rental fee of \$40.00, and to wave security deposit. Motiff issued second.**  
(3 Ayes)

iii. Tennis Courts in Oconto have no recent updates.

iv. High School Softball @ Holtwood remains in use.

v. Pickle Ball Court – Sharpe Park has no update but will be coordinated with the street paving projects.

vi. Ageson Pool & Holtwood Sporting Complex parking lot is in need of replacement and with street paving next to it, lot paving is prime and at least expense. This time of year workable too as activity is just beginning. Monies will be extracted from Pool and Parks: \$13,901.25 each (Total: \$27, 802.50: best out of 3 bids). **Anderson made motion to approve paving of the Holtwood Sporting Complex parking lot by extracting 50/50 out of the Parks Capital Equipment account and Swimming Pool Capital Improvement accounts accordingly not to exceed \$28,000.** (M/C)

vii. Copper Culture Tour Guides are being hired and established: a schedule will be created.

#### b.) Ageson Pool

i. 2018 Seasonal Passes remain for sale.

ii. Lifeguards for 2018 have had no new applicants. We wait for the next class.

iii. Pool prep for 2018 is next.

#### c.) Holtwood Campground

i. Update on the Bathroom/Shower Building was addressed by UPEA/Trista Hobbs. It was thought that the Flood Plane Analysis was able to convert but it was missing information: not included is the highway bypass so a new plane analysis needs to be created. Options were presented on paper and included to create a local model from scratch (\$4,900) and update on the existing model by adding USH 41 models (\$5,000): unfortunately the DOT did not map all this when they established the highway. Hobbs noted that some monies could be covered by FEMA. Hearley stated that we have no choice but to carry through. Hobbs needs approval to move ahead. **Motiff called a motion to present to City Council the \$4,900 for the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the flood plane. Anderson seconded.** (M/C)

ii. WDNR 50/50 Grant will be signed, sent, and saved. An error was noted within it.

iii. Step one on project – Trista Hobbs UPEA Engineers and Architects – See c.) i.

iv. Campground Reservations are in action. We were busy last weekend.

v. Holtwood Way Road project will have its last grading tomorrow.

vi. Campground Employee/Employees— Two retired part-time workers will begin tomorrow splitting the 40 hours available.

vii. Campground Managers Report— Loendorf noted that the credit card machine isn't operating. We are booked solid for Memorial Day/Games/Fishermen events/Copper Culture, and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

d.) City Park/City Park Campground— Director Bostedt reported that the bathroom and water are on. We need to clean the pavilion yet.

e.) Holtwood Sporting Complex

i. Volleyball League began last Thursday and will continue Thursday's until the end of August at which time will be playoffs.

ii. Little League Brick Building & Shed— There has been no update on moving it.

iii. Little League, Babe Ruth & Girls Softball— Schedules are out but in process of update.

#### 10. Parks Update:

a. City Docks – Tere Hochmuth – Bostedt stated that the pay station is repaired as are the air vents and orange fence (sign up).

b. City Park & Campground – Diane Motiff – New Cap is painting the outside within the week, we hope.

c. Copper Culture – Todd Hearley – Trees that came down have been attended to and water will be turned on this week, as well as, bathroom opened.

d. Freedom Park – All – We need to choose another option for the centerpiece of the fountain as past hope of like replacement has been lost.

e. Holtwood Park – Sue Anderson – All is set up. The new road and parking lot will be a great improvement to the facilities.

f. Sharp Park – Dean Reed – Bostedt reported that the stall in the bathroom is repaired.

g. Bond Park – Diane Motiff and Hearley noted that it is well used.

#### 11. Park Special Events:

7:30 p.m. Fund Raiser meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> after this meeting

WAMPA truck pulls will be at City Docks June 8<sup>th</sup>

#### 12. Next Meeting Date/Time: Wednesday, June 13 @ 6 p.m.

Agenda NOTE: Approval of Joint Meeting Minutes from 4/30/18

Holtwood Shower/Bathroom project remains on 24 hr. notice.

#### 13. **Motiff called for adjournment @ 7:24 p.m. with a second of Anderson.** (M/C)

Minutes submitted by

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