

VILLAGE OF GRAFTON

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 17, 2016

The Parks and Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Canepa

Members present: Chair Meg Canepa, Trustee Tom Krueger, Jim Miller and Mark Slaminski

Members excused: Trustee Lisa Harbeck and Joanne Wolf

Members absent: Joe Hildebrand

Others present: Melanie Boyung of the News Graphic

Staff/Officials present: Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Karin Sevener and Administrative Secretary Charlie Donohue

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Krueger, seconded by M. Slaminski to approve the June 22, 2016 Parks and Recreation Board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD

None.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – CELEBRATE GRAFTON BEER GARDEN

Pam King, representing Celebrate Grafton, explained that Celebrate Grafton is requesting to hold a Beer Garden on five dates in September and October. The first date will be in conjunction with the Ribbon Cutting for the Veterans Memorial Riverwalk. This date is tentatively scheduled for September 8, 2016. The remaining dates will be held Sunday afternoons in Lime Kiln Park near the octagon shelter. The remaining four dates will be scheduled around other groups and activities taking place in the Village during September and October.

Celebrate Grafton will purchase a liquor license and is also aware of the fees from the Police Department for officers being present each date. They are also working with The Fermentorium to provide the beer and volunteers. Celebrate Grafton and The Fermentorium volunteers will be serving the beer to patrons.

Trustee Krueger asked if there would be amplified music. Pam King stated there will be music at the Beer Garden, but the music will not be the main focus. The music is intended to be background entertainment music, not a concert.

Trustee Krueger inquired as to how many participants are expected. Pam King stated the group will be very happy with 100 for the first date, and would like to see the number increase with each of the remaining dates. She further stated this will all be weather dependent.

Chair Canepa asked if the event will be sectioned off from the remainder of the park. She voiced concerns about associating alcohol with the park, a place for children to play. Pam King explained there are plans in place to put up fencing around the Beer Garden and also to decorate the area, as well as, have volunteers checking identification. The idea is to bring people together to socialize and try new flavors of beer in the park. Should parents decide to bring their children, they would be able to play at the playground.

Chair Canepa asked if food will be offered. Pam King stated Celebrate Grafton is reaching out to the All My Friends Playground to see if they would be interested in selling food to raise money.

Chair Canepa asked that staff inform members of the dates when they are determined.

Motion by J. Miller, seconded by M. Slaminski to approve the request from Celebrate Grafton to hold a Beer Garden on five dates in September and October. Motion carried.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – GFDA BEER GARDEN

Members reviewed the Special Event Request from the Grafton Fire Department Association to hold a Beer Garden at Veterans Memorial Park on September 10, 2016.

Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevener stated the Grafton Police Department has reviewed the request and recommended two officers and two reserves for the event. The Association will be charged for these services. Trustee Krueger agreed that an event with such a large number of expected participants should have the recommended officers and reserves present.

Motion by Trustee Krueger, seconded by J. Miller to approve the request from the Grafton Fire Department Association to hold a Beer Garden on September 10, 2016. Motion carried.

BENCHMARK MEASUREMENTS

Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevener gave an overview of the monthly benchmarks.

Trustee Krueger asked if the increase in attendance at the Family Aquatic Center was due to warmer weather or the pool being open more days that last year. Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevener stated both were the reason for the increase in attendance.

Chair Canepa asked how many more movies were to be played this year. Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevenser stated there will be a total of five movies this year. The first movie was held at Veterans Memorial Park in the month of May. In the months of June, July and August the movies took place at the Grafton Family Aquatic Center. The remaining movie will be held in September at Veterans Memorial Park. The August movie is scheduled for Friday, August 19.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

J. Miller inquired about the Doggy Paddle Day and asked if the Department was planning to offer a second night. Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevenser informed members that Doggy Paddle Day is scheduled for August 30. She further stated this year the event will be just one evening, and the Wisconsin Humane Society has plans to be present. They will have handouts and be available to answer questions. The Department is looking into offering day time hours, as well as, evening hours and possibly more tables with veterinarians and other vendors for next year.

SENIOR REPORT

Senior Coordinator/Recreation Supervisor Sevenser informed members that Tyler Grissom completed his Eagle Scout project at the Multipurpose Senior Center. He replaced the old bocce ball court with new beams and gravel and the project has been well received by Senior Center participants.

ADJOURN

Motion by Chair Canepa, seconded by J. Miller to adjourn at 6:26 p.m.
Motion carried.