

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held on Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Service Center, 925 S. Sixth Street, De Pere. Members present: Bill Volpano, Sue Schinkten, Alderpersons Donovan, Boyd and Van Vonderen. Excused absence: Rod Kowalczyk and George Brown. Also present: Marty Kosobucki

1. Minutes of Board of Park Commissioners meeting. (Attachment). Mike Donovan moved to approve the minutes of the meeting; motion seconded by James Boyd. Motion approved.
2. Review request from The Celebrate De Pere Committee (CDC) for donation of manpower to the Celebrate De Pere event held at Voyageur Park. Attachment. Motion made by Kathy Van Vondere to approve their request and send to Council, seconded by Sue Schinkten. Motion passed.
3. Request from Dustin Rhodes to name the soccer fields at Southwest Park. Attachment. Mike Donovan moved to open the meeting, seconded by James Boyd. Motion passed. Dustin Rhodes, 1626 Willard Terrace, De Pere, presented his feedback on a sign for SW Park. George Ostrander mentioned he was not aware of any discussion regarding the naming of the soccer fields as proposed by Mr. Rhodes. Bill Volpano moved to go back to regular order, seconded by Mike Donovan. Motion passed. Mike Donovan moved to refer this item back to Staff to work with the soccer groups and bring back to the Park Board. Seconded by James Boyd. Motion passed.
4. Consider request from the Vipers Organization to rent fairgrounds for special events. Attachment. James Boyd moved to approve their request for the use of the Fairgrounds for both events provided a two million dollar certificate of insurance, fees paid, and the contract is signed within the requirements of the Park Department Staff. Bill Volpano seconded the motion. Motion passed.
5. Review options for Southwest Park Sign. Attachment. Mike Donovan moved to open the meeting, seconded by James Boyd. Motion passed. Many ideas were discussed as to what type of sign the Park Board felt appropriate for this large park. Many Park Board members thought keeping the sign simple without a reader board would be good. Kathy Van Vonderen thinks keeping the sign simple, but perhaps adding brick to it, similar to the sign at Hemlock Creek School. Sue Schinkten moved to refer this back to the Park Staff to incorporate ideas discussed and bring back to the Board, Kathy Van Vonderen seconded the motion. Motion passed.
6. Donation from Swim for Hearts for AED at VFW Pool. Attachment. Sue Schinkten moved to approve the motion and forward to the Council, seconded by Mike Donovan. Motion passed. Staff will send a letter of appreciation.
7. Public Comment Period. None.
8. Future Agenda Items. None.
9. Staff Updates.
 - Budget
 - Holiday Party
 - Major Projects Update
 - Teen Advisory Position on Park Board
10. Adjournment.

Lou Ann Zeamer, Secretary