

## JOINT PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE/BOARD

Wednesday, January 27, 2016

A meeting of the Joint Park and Recreation Committee/Board was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Chairperson Vandertie in Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street.

**Roll Call:** Members Vandertie, Stults, Gregory, Larsen, Kleist, Hagman, Husby and Bordeau were present. Member Morrow was excused. Also present were City Administrator VanLieshout, Alderperson Catarazolli, and Municipal Services Assistant Lenius.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Mr. Stults, seconded by Mr. Hagman to adopt the following agenda:

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Public Comment
4. Consideration of: 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan
5. Adjourn

All in favor. Carried.

**Public Comment:** The following people spoke during public comment: Chris Kellems, 120 Alabama Street; Laurel Hauser, 854 S. 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan:** Mr. Bordeau stated that this committee had recommended to Council to approve the 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan that was submitted, but it was sent back to this committee to allow the public more time to comment and give feedback on it. The department had received a few suggestions to discuss and decide if they would like to include them in the 5 Year Plan.

The first request came from Shawn Fairchild requesting the Cardy Paleoindian Campsite located at 322 W. Spruce Street be included in the plan as a historic site with hopes of promoting it as an educational venue. Mr. Bordeau explained that although this site has great significance, it is a historical site and not a recreational facility. The 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan includes other non-city owned recreational facilities, but no other historical sites are listed. The site is approximately ¼ acre in size and has a kiosk there explaining the history and significance of the site. It is not city owned and the City does not maintain this site. Mr. Bordeau suggested that this request should be brought to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Moved by Mr. Gregory, Seconded by Mr. Husby to refer the request of the Cardy Paleoindian Campsite to the Historic Preservation Commission for review. All in favor. Carried.

The second request came from Laurel Hauser to instill a long range plan to give the parks a title or brand to help market our area. She also suggested implementing more arts into our parks and asked if an Ad Hoc committee could be formed to help make that happen. Mr. Bordeau stated that Ad Hoc committees are set by the Mayor and he thought that since there is already a Park and Recreation Board that is advisory to the Park and Recreation Committee as well as a Local Arts Board that if a group or individual has an idea of an art project they would like to see in the parks, that they can bring it forward to him to discuss and if necessary, he will bring the idea before the appropriate board or committee.

Mr. VanLieshout stated that it was a great idea to talk about branding our parks as a means of marketing them. Mr. Larsen stated that the continuity of linking our parks is taken for granted and would like to have wording included in the plan to help implement this idea.

Moved by Mr. Larsen, Seconded by Mr. Gregory to have staff review the introduction and future planning portions of the 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan to include branding and marketing strategy of the parks that would link parks and connections between parks. All in favor. Carried.

Mr. Bordeaux stated that the description of the Canal Property provided by Jodi Milske of the Door County Land Trust was a more accurate description and could easily be changed.

Moved by Mr. Larsen, Seconded by Mr. Stults to have staff change the wording in the 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan for the Sturgeon Bay Canal Property to that as suggested by Ms. Milske. All in favor. Carried.

Mr. Bordeaux stated that Community Development Director Olejniczak suggested some wording changes to the plan as well.

Moved by Mr. Bordeaux, Seconded by Mr. Husby to make the wording changes to the 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan as suggested by Mr. Olejniczak. All in favor. Carried.

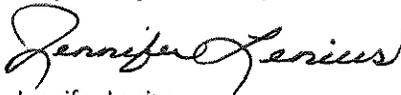
Mr. Bordeaux told the board and committee that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board had discussed the possibility of creating mountain bike trails in Big Hill Park. Mr. Gregory stated that he had been at that meeting and heard a convincing case for installing mountain bike trails in Big Hill Park.

Moved by Mr. Gregory, Seconded by Mr. Hagman to include Mountain Bike Trails as an improvement to Big Hill Park in the 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan. All in Favor. Carried.

Mr. Bordeaux stated that staff will send the board and committee members a copy of the revised 5 Year Outdoor Recreation Plan via email once the changes and additions have been made prior to sending it to Council for approval and that it would also be posted on the website.

Moved by Mr. Gregory, Seconded by Mr. Hagman to adjourn. All in favor. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:13.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer Lenius

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