

JOINT PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE/BOARD

Wednesday, June 29, 2016

A meeting of the Joint Park and Recreation Committee/Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Vandertie in Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street.

Roll Call: Members Vandertie, Stults, Catarozoli, Larsen, Kleist, Husby and Bordeau were present. Members Morrow and Hagman were absent. Also present was Municipal Services Assistant Lenius.

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

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Public Comment
4. Invasive Species Presentation by Door County Soil and Water Conservation Department
5. Adjourn

All in favor. Carried.

Public Comment: Nobody spoke

Krista Lutzke, Conservationist for the Door County Soil and Water Department explained that funding to control invasive species of plants such as Phragmites is becoming more difficult to come by in part because Door County has a better handle on the situation than many other areas throughout the state who are also applying for funding assistance. Since the funds the department received are only able to provide assistance for education and outreach their department is reaching out to municipalities who already have a noxious weed ordinance to ask for Phragmites to be listed in the ordinance so it can be better controlled. They are also reaching out to property owners so they can be a steward of Phragmitie control in their area. She stated her department will be able to help provide assistance to the city to work with certified contractors who can treat the weeds and will also work with land owners to receive permission to have Phragmites removed from or treated on their property. Any treatment done along waterways would require a permit from the Wisconsin DNR. Two main areas of concern are along Bradley Lake and Big Creek.

Mr. Bordeau stated that if written into the ordinance it would need to be enforced and was concerned that his department did not have the man power to eliminate noxious weeds such as Phragmitie so it would mean hiring a contractor to spray the areas that need to be treated and having the property owners invoiced on their tax bill.

Mr. Vandertie asked for the weed ordinance to be considered at the next meeting.

Moved by Ms. Catarozoli, Seconded by Mr. Stults to adjourn. All in favor. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:23.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer Lenius

Municipal Services Assistant