

CITY OF MENASHA
Park Board
Council Chambers, City Hall – 140 Main Street
December 8, 2008

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chr. Dick Sturm at 6:05 PM.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ald. Michael Taylor, Run Suttner, Mary Francis, Chr. Dick Sturm, George Korth, Tom Konetzke, Nancy Barker

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: PRD Tungate, PS Huss, Resident Mary Kay Suttner and Mike King from *The Post Crescent*

C. MINTUES TO APPROVE-MINUTES

1. **Minutes to Approve:**

Moved by G. Korth, seconded by R. Suttner to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2008 meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

D. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF/CONSULTANTS

1. **Park Project Update**

Koslo Park sanitary line was replaced, Hart Park well has been temporarily capped, fountain cover on downtown is temporary (new one to be put on soon), snow removal and ice rink preparation has begun, a vehicle damaged the port-a-potty at Jefferson Park.

2. **Recreation Program Update**

PRD Tungate gave a summary of the Holiday Hayride held on Friday, December 5. Event was well attended. The Smith Park Winter Gala on February 7 is also being planned. Event flyers were distributed to Board members.

3. **Friendship Trail East of LP Update**

PRD Tungate gave a brief summary on the status of Friendship Trail development east of LP towards High Cliff State Park. Town of Harrison Administrator, Tracy Fluke, has been in discussion with Calumet County officials about the trail. The major sticking point appears to be who will maintain the trail. A 2006 resolution passed by the County Board seemed to indicate that the Calumet County would participate in maintaining the trail.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **Hart Park Well**

The Board held a lengthy discussion on the future of the Hart Park well which has been temporary capped. The well has been out of service for at least four months. Staff has not heard any complaints in that time. It was generally felt that one factor for this may have been the taste improvement of city water. PS Huss was asked to bring back information on the cost to switching to an enclosed submersible pump that still could be used by the public.

2. **Joint Park Resolution**

Board members expressed enthusiasm about moving ahead with a joint park with the City of Appleton, Town of Harrison and possibly Calumet County. PRD Tungate indicated that while Calumet County was not listed on the joint resolution, they are being contacted regarding their interest in the joint park.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Recommend Revision of Ordinance Relating to Public Sites and Open Spaces**

Moved by Ald. M. Taylor, seconded by T. Konetzke to recommend an Ordinance Relating to

Public Sites and Open Spaces to the Common Council. The most noteworthy change to this ordinance would increase the fee in lieu of land dedication to \$550.00. Motion carried 7-0.

2. **Recommendation on the Hart Park Well**

No action was taken on this item.

3. **Recommendation on Joint Park Resolution**

Moved by N. Barker, seconded by T. Konezke to recommend a Joint Park Resolution to the Common Council. Motion carried 7-0.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE CITY

Five (5) minute time limit for each person

1. Mary Kay Suttner asked about the Santa Float schedule.
2. Ald. M. Taylor and N. Barker asked about when the small Isle of Valor sign will be installed.
3. M. Francis commented on the Smith Park pavilion being left open for winter.
4. T. Konezke liked the end result of the new Barker Farm pedestrian access trail.
5. N. Barker asked about when the Memorial Building ceiling in the Historical Society would be repaired.
6. Ald. M. Taylor stated the solar project at the pool has been put on hold. Big boiler at the pool was removed from next year's budget. He also wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by R. Suttner, seconded by T. Konezke to adjourn at 7:20 PM. Motion carried 7-0.