

PARK COMMISSION

02/17/2010

The Town of Salem Park Commission held its monthly meeting at the Salem Town Hall, 9814 Antioch Rd., Salem, WI 53168 on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Park Commission members present were: Jo Weidman-Chairman, Crysti Neuman, Bill Barhyte, Diann Tesar, Karen Ihlen, and Larry Kamin. Others present were: Pat Casey, Administrator and Marilyn Glaze, Park Commission Secretary. Mark Eberle was excused.

1. Chairman Weidman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Crysti Neuman motioned to approve the minutes from the 1/20/10 meeting, Bill Barhyte seconded. Motion approved 5-0.
3. Diann Tesar motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, Karen Ihlen seconded. Motion approved 5-0.
4. Citizen Comments: None
5. Motion was made by Larry Kamin and seconded by Josephine Weidman to approve the low bid of \$157,682 from B.R. Amon & Sons for the Salem Community Park Improvement Project – Passive Use area. Motion approved 5-0.
6. Motion was made by Diann Tesar and seconded by Larry Kamin to approve the Cost Summary Budget for the Passive Use Area of Salem Community Park. Motion approved 5-0.
7. The request for DNR Stewardship Grants for local parks is Due May 3, 2010. Are we interested? What would we want to do? We should always be looking at acquiring land for parks (would be a rush for this year). Where do we have property we want to improve? The funding has been increased; we should look into using this grant to extend the trail from the Active to Passive area of the park. Motion to pursue DNR Stewardship Grant Application made by Larry Kamin; seconded by Karen Ihlen. Motion approved 5-0.
8. Old Business –
 - Draft Park Ordinance – Diann Tesar thinks 11 p.m. closing time on Friday & Saturday night is too late (we need to respect the neighbors). Noise – we should refer to the noise ordinance. Still need to work on the animal part of the ordinance. The Park Commission needs to add more to the ordinance and bring back to next meeting.
 - Park Lease - Motion was made by Larry Kamin and seconded by Crysti Neuman to use the existing rental agreement using the same fees for now. The use of alcohol would be conditional upon approval by the Town Board and proof of insurance would be required. Motion approved 5-0.
 - Parking access at Town of Salem Parks – there needs to be some parking. Do we need to re-write the Parking Ordinance? Is there an area to set aside for parking at individual parks? We need to fit in at least a few more parking spaces at each park. Start small.
9. New Business – Adam Knoll, representing the Wilmot Phoenix 8 on 8 Football League, is requesting use of the Salem Oaks Park as a practice football field. Questions came up regarding the condition of the field. The field has drainage problems and there would be issues with tearing up the field. Parking would be limited and they would need to have proof of insurance. It was unanimously decided by the Park Commission that the use of the park would be out of the question. The Park Commission gave Mr. Knoll some other alternatives to look into: Salem Grade School, Centennial Park in Antioch and Fox River Park in Silver Lake. The field at the new park would be available next year.

10. Diann Tesar motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bill Barhyte. Unanimously approved.
Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

NEXT PARK COMMISSION MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

Marilyn Glaze
Park Commission Secretary