

CITY OF MONROE
PARK BOARD MINUTES
May 17, 2012

Call To Order

Chairperson Karin Coppernoll called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:06pm in the Parks/Public Works Conference Room

RALPH Yingling

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Ralph Yingling, Jeff Rasmussen, Shawna Chamberlain, Karin Coppernoll, Bill Kristiansen

Board Members Absent: Steve Whalen, Collette Reams

Agenda Revisions – None

Approval of Minutes - Motion was made by Karin Coppernoll and seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Audience Participation – None

Unfinished Business – *Feedback from Park Board Members who attended the May 15 City Council meeting regarding the cable wakepark presentation* – Jeff Rasmussen and Karin Coppernoll related that they were in attendance at the meeting and shared the following feedback: Jeff Rasmussen was pleased with the presentation, noting that the area of the proposed park is slightly smaller and a floating dock would be placed between the loop. He still has concerns with fallen riders along the west side of the lake and how that would impact other lake users. He noted that the buffer was increased and the clubhouse looked nice. He still has questions that were not answered at the presentation. Karin Coppernoll was pleasantly surprised at the additional details that were presented and the overall concept. She has concerns about it being at Lake Tye, the buffer zone for boaters being adequate, still feels that the process is being rushed and would like to see more public notice through the process. She believes that the facility targets young men and that the proposed fees are pricey. She would like to see the facility located at the Cadman site. Ralph Yingling added that we may underestimate the disposable income of families for activities such as this, and also that, for projects in general at this stage, it is typical to see all details subject to change as the process continues.

New Business – *Draft Agenda – June 21* - The draft agenda for the June 21, 2012 regular meeting was discussed. A park tour was added for the May meeting so it was decided that the rest of the agenda for that meeting would be kept light in order to accommodate the tour. Motion made by Karin Coppernoll and seconded by Shawna Chamberlain to move the review/discussion of Section 5 of the Park Plan to the June 21 meeting. Motion passed. Other items added for Board discussion were: Wakepark and Skate Park.

Staff Reports/Updates – *Director's Report*- Director Mike Farrell reported on the park activities and events for April and May including the Girls Fastpitch WESCO North Districts, Triple

Crown Memorial Day Tournament and operating a department booth at the Evergreen Recreation and Sportsmen Expo held at the Fairgrounds. He thanked Jeff Rasmussen for assisting him on the Saturday of the weekend event. He reported on the City Council's approval of his request for hiring two 4-month seasonal park maintenance positions by late May/early June to help address the service needs of the Department in that area. Applications were being accepted through the end of the month.

Board Discussion – None.

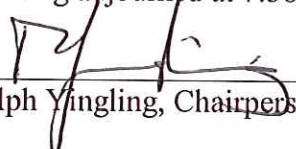
Agency Reports

Planning Commission – Bill Kristiansen reported that the East Monroe Area re-zone continues to be discussed. The Planning Commission voted in a 3-3 tie on the issue, which then was sent to the City Council, who voted 5-1 to move on the re-zone.

Monroe School District – Ralph Yingling reported that the District have been working on an agreement with St. Mary's Catholic Church for use of the parking lot adjacent to the school fields that will limit parking for the athletic fields to the Monroe High School teams' use only (in 40 designated spaces). St. Mary's has also closed off access to Blueberry Lane, which has resulted in a significant drop in vandalism occurring to their property as well as the School District facilities there. The new limits for parking on the St. Mary's property will likely have an impact on outside Users ability to use the school field anymore.

Adjournment

Motion by Karin Coppernoll and seconded by Bill Kristiansen to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm. Parks tour commenced immediately following the meeting.



Ralph Yingling, Chairperson



Steve Whalen, Secretary

Jeff Rasmussen