

**April 26, 2021 PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Candy Davis called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Present: Candy Davis, Casey Langan, Bonnie Slagg, Denise Langan, Ken Haagensen, Russell Jorstad.

Others Present: City Administrator Ramona Flanigan, Mayor Christopher Lund, Aquatics Director Anne Gohlke, Municipal Services Director Howard Moser, \.

Flanigan confirmed the meeting notice was properly posted on Friday, April 23, 2021. Agendas were posted at Edgerton Post Office, Edgerton Public Library, and City Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A Haagensen/Jorstad motion to approve the September 30, 2020 Parks & Recreation Committee meeting minutes passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH PARK CLOSING HOURS: Currently, there are no park closing hours. Chief Kowalski requests the committee consider a new ordinance closing all city parks at dusk. The ordinance presented to the committee permits specific parks to be open after sunset upon approval by the Common Council. Slagg asks where the Conservation Club fits within the current verbiage. Flanigan suggests adding Conservation Club language to the ordinance.

Denise Langan suggests posting park hours on the city Facebook page, city website, and also include signs posted within the parks.

A Denise Langan/Jorstad motion to approve the modification to ordinance 15.02 (15) and include language about events at the Conservation Club. The motion passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

CONSIDER IMPROVEMENTS TO RACETRACK PARK ENTRANCE AT STOUGHTON ROAD: Flanigan would like the committee to discuss improvements to the exit only area at Stoughton Road. She proposes small parking area for people to utilize when visiting that corner of the park. Also included in the plan is a sidewalk that could also be used as a driveway for special events. Improvement could include an overhead sign and removable bollards at Stoughton Rd.

Davis has a concern that placing the sign at the exit would be confusing for some. The sign placement could signal to park visitors that this is the entrance. A Suggestion was made to have two signs, one at the entrance and one at the exit. Questions were raised about the cost.

Flanigan stated some of the sign improvements can be funded by grants. The Rotary Club has taken an interest in helping with funding the signage. The parking has not been explored as of yet. The item could be discussed at a future budget once there is a design.

The committee is in agreement that there is a need for more parking.

A Davis/Slagg motion to have staff get cost estimates for parking, sidewalk, bollards and for both exit and entrance signs passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

DISCUSS IMPROVMENTS TO RANDOLPH STREET PROPERTY: Casey Langan voiced concern about a city owned lot along Saunders Creek on Randolph Street. Langan proposes to clean up the property as it contains weeds, dead trees, and cement slabs. The suggestion is to plant native grasses and plants. He has been in contact with the school about a possible partnership to offer chainsaw safety and a landscaping course.

Flanigan stated this land was purchased for its potential to have a pedestrian connection to the school via a bridge across the creek.

A Davis/Casey Langan motion to move forward with Randolph Street property improvement passed on a 6/0 roll call vote.

ADJOURN: Being no other business before the committee, a Haagensen/Casey Langan motion to adjourn passed with a 6/0 roll call vote.

Ramona Flanigan/wjl
City Adminsitrator