



PARKS, FORESTRY & RECREATION COMMITTEE
Monday, February 20 , 2023, 7:00 PM
Meeting will be held in person.
Police Department Community Room
165 N. 4th Street, Platteville, WI

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Citizen Comments
- III. Approval of Minutes: January 16, 2023
- IV. Staff Update
 - a. Armory Transfer update
 - b. Scouts with Park Projects
 - c. Friends of the Park Dinner February 23, 2023
 - d. Senior Center relocation progress
 - i. March 23 Garage sale
 - e. Broske
 - i. Reservation comparisons
 - f. Activities
 - i. Utilizing OE Gray
- V. New Business
- VI. Old Business
- VII. Next Meeting March 20, 2023
- VIII. Adjournment

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PARKS, FORESTRY, & RECREATION COMMITTEE Minutes

Date 1-16-23_

The regular meeting of the Platteville Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee of the City of Platteville was called to order by Jason Artz at 7:01 p.m. in the Police Station Public Service Room.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jason Artz__X__, Don Francis__X__, Erin Ihm__X_____, Suraya Strobl__zoom_____,
Cindy Tang __X____, Victoria Hundhausen__X____, Brian Whisenant__X____

Staff in Attendance: Robert Lowe__X__

Members of the Public:

No

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Cindy Tang to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2022 meeting, seconded by Erin Ihm, Motion carried.

Meeting Started with some general topics brought by members. Cindy Tang asked staff to send social media reminders of the condition of the skating rink and how it fluctuates with the weather. Jason Artz asked about the pool and any progress.

STAFF UPDATE Given on:

- a. Armory Update.
-Members were updated that the RFP had two qualifying Proposals. City Council voted to accept the one from RFK Armory LLC. This proposal had a focus on keeping the Armory as a key part of the community. The Armory will continue to host Park activities.
- b. Friends of the Park
-Members were updated on the gather will be held at the Broske Center on February 23 to recognize and appreciate those that are volunteers and contribute to making the Parks Department and its activities such a huge success.
- c. Senior Center relocation
-Staff gave an update on the progress of the remodeling of the former police station located in City Hall. This area will become the new Senior Center location. Discussion was also held on potential places to host larger Senior Events such as Yoga and Bingo. The hope is the Armory might be such a location.
- d. Inclusive Playground
-The progress of the playground continues to at least what can be done in the winter months. Some work was still being done in the bathrooms and good news was reported that Lee Equipment has agreed to correct the direction of the exercise equipment at their own cost. It had been installed facing the wrong direction.
- e. Broske

-The shift of staff responsibilities to clear communication and cut overtime costs seems to be working. Adam Bartels the Events coordinator has been given more flexibility on work schedule allowing him to cover what was others overtime pay to clean the Broske Center. Members were updated on the need to plan for replacing chairs etc

f. City Manager Transition

-Jason Artz gave an update on the City Managers search. A decent amount of applicants so far and they will begin to narrow that down next week.

OLD BUSINESS

-MOUND VIEW PLAYGROUND

The clamps for the playground equipment finally arrived and the playground equipment moved to Moundview is complete.

-PARKING RESTRICTIONS UPDATE

The issue of overnight parking at the Broske seems to be at least temporarily resolved. The Committee had passed a motion requesting a ordinance change. Staff and the Platteville Police had requested we see if it could be resolved without yet passing an ordinance. It is working so far.

NEW BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING – Monday, February 20, 2023 7:00 p.m. in the Police Station Community Room.

Motion to adjourn by Cindy Tang seconded by Brian Whisenant. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm

Minutes by Robert Lowe