

**MINUTES**  
**PARKS, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY**  
**COMMISSION**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2011**  
**DPW OPERATIONS CENTER**  
**2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Roger Christiansen, Steve Ferger, Anna Kokity,  
Pete Marino, Matt Parish, Mike Ramsden

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Sheila De Forest, Tia Johnson, Mark Preuschl,  
Twinkle Patel

**STAFF:** Brian Ramsey, Dave Botts

**GUESTS:** None

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called by Chair Marino at 6:30 p.m.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 11, 2011 MEETING**

Mike Ramsden made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Steve Ferger. Motion passed unanimously.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**A. Correspondence**  
None

**B. Recreation Report**  
Brian Ramsey presented the Recreation Report.

- C. Parks Report**  
Brian Ramsey presented the Parks Report.
- D. Horticulture Report**  
Brian Ramsey presented the Horticulture Report.
- E. Grinnell Hall Senior Center**  
Brian Ramsey presented a list of events planned at Grinnell Hall.
- F. Special Projects**  
Brian Ramsey presented the Special Projects.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Review and consideration to accept the report and recommendation by the Dog Park Committee.**

This issue was resubmitted for review and consideration. Steve made a motion to accept the recommendation by the Dog Park Committee; seconded by Roger. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Review and consideration of the 2011 Parks Tour Schedule.**

Brian presented the schedule for the 2011 Parks Tour to be held on Wednesday, July 13. He urged all Commission members to be present. Steve and Roger indicated that they would not be able to attend.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Review and consideration of proposals for new Playground Equipment for Tremont Park.**

Mike made a motion to accept the selection made at the Neighborhood Playground meeting; Anna seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Review and consideration of Proposals from Friends of the Riverfront for Riverside Park improvements.**

There was brief discussion on the size of the patio seating area and location of arbor and plantings. Steve made a motion to accept the proposals as presented by Friends of the Riverfront; Pete seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS**

- Matt feels good about people using Parks facilities after noticing a large number of cars in the Turtle Creek Greenway this evening.
- Steve commented on the nice relationship he has experienced between the School District and Parks and Leisure Services. He also has observed a large number of cars in the Turtle Creek Greenway and feels more parking may be needed. Dogs are being unleashed in the Greenway; otherwise, the parks look great.
- Mike had a great, fun time at the DPW Open House; it gets better each year. He has not seen any bike racks by the tennis courts at Riverside Park and asked why there weren't any.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mike Ramsden made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Steve Ferger. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Matilda Purifoy.