PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISION MEETING MINUTES FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH, 2015 EDWARDS ICE ARENA 2101 CRANSTON ROAD, BELOIT, WI 53511

- MEMBERS PRESENT:Jeff Johnson, Chad Larson Carl Lange, Carol Mankiewicz,
Therese Oldenburg, Mark Preuschl, Anthony StewartMEMBERS ABSENT:Mark Smullen

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS: Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks & Leisure Services Greg Boysen, Public Works Director Sheila DeForest, City Council

GUESTS:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mark Preuschl at 4:32 p.m.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

OLD BUSINESS-

None

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION REPORT ITEM

A. Review and consideration of the new Veterans Marker in Riverside Park as proposed by the Beloit American Legion. There was a medallion marker in the park that ended up stolen possibly because of its scrap metal value. There was a request made by the American Legion Post #48 and #288 to have a more permanent marker placed there to replace the old one. This will be acquired from Jackson Monument our horticultural crew can put it in and it will be a wonderful addition to the park. We want to help the American Legion honor their veterans. It would stand approximately 7.5 feet high and 14 inches wide, a photograph was attached. Once the new marker is in place, the American Legion would like to plan a dedication ceremony. Mark Preuschl made a motion that there isn't enough information to make a decision as of now seconded by Therese Oldenburg. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Review and consideration of the Rock River Ban Armoring Project as presented by the City of Beloit Engineering Division to place Rip Rap along the west bank. Mike Flesh was in attendance to answer any questions that the commission may have had. Carol asked about the dock that we were supposed to be getting, however it came in too expensive and ended up not being created at this time. The west bank of the Rock River from the dam to Liberty Avenue will be fortified with Rip Rap material similar to the embankment on the east side. There will be a small canoe/kayak launch designed similar to the John Rose Kayak launch. This launch will serve as another access point for the Rock River Trail. Once complete, appropriate signage will be placed at this location also. Carl Lange made a motion to approve seconded by Carol Mankiewicz. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Johnson made a motion to suspend the rest of the meeting to go on the Park's Tour seconded by Carl Lange. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes prepared by Travia Foy.