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RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 8, 2016
6:00 PM
Villa Grove Park

Minutes

- 1. Call to Order, Roll Call

Present:

Ronald Dorszynski
Chairman Julie Cabaniss
Michael Gross
Vice Chairman Daniel Knuth
Dale Mortensen
Kenneth Quant

Absent:

Karen Stern

Also present Don Curran Director of Parks and Operations, Mayor Dan Abendroth and Andrew Petzold

- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to table the minutes

Vote to approve the minutes was postponed until the October 27, 2016 meeting.

RESULT: Tabled [Unanimous]

MOVED BY: Dorszynski

SECONDED BY: Chairman Cabaniss

AYES:

Dorszynski, Cabaniss, Gross, Knuth, Mortensen, Quant

- 3. Committee Discussion of Unfinished Business

- a. Discussion of boat signage on river

a. The Mequon and Thiensville Police approved the proposed signage for river related ordinances, courtesies and a kayaking/canoeing map. Ken and Ron are still working on the design of the signs, the DNR has a minimum lettering size of one inch. Proposal is to have one sign for Ordinances regarding river usage and another sign for the river courtesies and map.

- 4. New Business

- a. Discussion of Section 90-10 of the Mequon Code indicating US Costal Guard Approved Life Preserver required by all users of the river is more stringent than state code

Mayor Abendroth and Mequon resident Petzold informed the committee of how much more stringent our City Ordinance is regarding life preserver use by those being towed in the river (skiers, tubers) than the state mandate and any other community around the state. They asked the committee to look into revising the ordinance (Section 90-10 of the Mequon Code) to be more in alignment with state regulations. The committee agreed to take the issue up at the next meeting.

b. Any new issues that need to be discussed or addressed

Committee members discussed the possibly reviving the Spring River Clean-Up next year and agreed to continue this discussion.

The committee viewed the completed kayak/canoe boat launch in Villa Grove Park, accomplished by Don Curran. Bushes were also cleared away to provide better access and parking.

5. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Vice Chairman Knuth

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Quant

AYES:

Dorszynski, Cabaniss, Gross, Knuth, Mortensen, Quant