

# **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday September 23, 2015

4:30 PM

Ed Overland Room



Present: Alderpersons: Tom Selsor, Sonny Swangstu, Regina Hirsch, Paul Lawrence and Parks and Recreation Director Tom Lynch

Guests:

## 1. Call to Order

By Swangstu at 4:30 PM

## 2. Approval of August 26, 2015 Minutes

*Motion by Lawrence, seconded by Hirsch to approve the minutes from August 26, 2015. Motion passed 4-0.*

## 3. Communications

There were no public comments, during the policy directed 30 day waiting period, for or opposed to naming the Yahara River Trail segment, from the pedestrian bridge to the industrial park, "The Helen Johnson Trail". The item will move on to Council.

The Division St. Park riverbank stabilization agreement with Cardno, passed in the Finance Committee and will be on the October Council agenda.

## **Old Business**

### 4. Amundson Trail Grant

After meeting Wednesday with Darren Marsh and others from the County, it was decided that we cannot apply for the trail grant this year. The trail up the hill to the Hospital needs to be part of their easement. That was the first we had heard of this. Even though the Hospital plans to build a trail down the hill, they want to keep this land for possible expansion.

We could either go for funding from the Park Development Fund or go for a grant next year. This project will happen, one way or another. This is just an obstacle that needs to be overcome.

## **New Business**

### 5. Parkland Categories

The committee reviewed the Parks and Open Space Plan leading to a discussion on purchasing a natural space on the south east side of the City.

### 9. Future Agenda Items

Project Updates

### 10. Adjournment

Motion made by Selsor, seconded by Hirsch to adjourn at 5:30. Motion passed 4-0.