

CITY OF VERONA

MINUTES

PARK, RECREATION & FORESTRY COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order by chairperson Jon Turke at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Present: Jon Turke, Mark Giesfeldt, Heather Reekie, Paul Schmidt, Brad Stiner. Also present: Dave Walker, Parks Director; Casey Dudley, Recreation Director; Sarah McDonald, MSA Professional Services.
3. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2015 meeting of the Park, Recreation, and Forestry Commission. Motion carried 5-0.
4. The Commission considered proposals for the 2016 update of the five-year Park and Open Space Plan. Staff had solicited proposals from four different planning firms for the project and received two, one from MSA Professional Services and one from Ayres and Associates. Both firms had done contract planning work for the City in the past and performed satisfactorily. Both firms were also well qualified to complete the Plan update so after debating both proposals it was decided to accept the MSA proposal.
5. Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve the MSA proposal to update the Park and Open Space Plan in the amount of \$13,500. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Dave Walker informed the Commission that the Community Park parking lot project had been rebid and awarded to Hammersley Stone in the amount of \$239,800. The project was originally bid in August 2015 but was rejected due to lack of funding. The additional funds were included in the 2016 budget and the project cost had actually decreased by about \$3,000 from the earlier bid.
7. The Commission considered two special event requests for 2016 including a wedding at Festival Park on June 18, and the annual Triterium Triathlon at Fireman's Park on June 25.
8. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve two special event requests as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
9. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Schmidt, to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Time 7:25 p.m.

Jon Turke
Chairperson