

Town of Ledgeview Park and Recreation Committee
January 11, 2016

The Ledgeview Park and Recreation Committee held a meeting on January 11, 2016 at the Ledgeview Town Hall located at 3700 Dickinson Road, De Pere WI 54115.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Members present Cullen Peltier, Steve Krueger, Nicole Van Helden, Larry Sidman and Jason Shanda. Joe Widi was excused. Dustin Wolff (Planning consultant from Mead & Hunt) and Sarah Burdette (Town Clerk/Administrator) were present.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion made by Shanda, seconded by Sidman to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Peltier, seconded by Sidman to approve the minutes from the December 7, 2015 meeting. Shanda abstained. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Beautification Committee update: Van Helden provided an update on the committee's selection process for the holiday decorating contest.
2. Committee members reviewed correspondence that was received from the City of De Pere relative to the City's future study of an aquatic center. The committee did concur that it would be of benefit to participate in the study as needed as part of the consultant's work.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of dog access/signage at parks in Ledgeview.
The Beautification Committee is working on revising and updating directional signage in the parks. Currently the parks/trails do not allow for dogs. The question is should the Park Committee consider revisions to that policy, for example, to allow dogs on a leash on the trail only. Staff will follow up with an update on what the other nearby communities have for a policy. Additional policies from surrounding communities have been received and were reviewed and discussed at the meeting. A resident was also in attendance at the meeting and offered his comments relative to his use of Scray Hill Park with his dog. He encouraged the committee to consider allowing dogs at Scray Hill Park.

The committee suggested that language be drafted for their next meeting, to revise the existing ordinances to allow leashed pets in any of the parks and on trails in the Town. Pets would also need to be on a leash, no longer than 8 feet in length. A draft will be prepared for the committee's review and discussion at the February meeting.
2. Discussion on a future ice rink.
The committee shared the positive feedback that they received to date regarding the ice rink at Ledgeview Park. No action required or taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review subdivision plat concept for single and multi-family residential located on parcel D-395, Heritage and Cottonwood Roads.

Wolff provided an overview of the concept subdivision plat that was being proposed for Parcel D-395. Committee members were asked to provide feedback about the amount and location of dedicated park space and any related bicycle/pedestrian connections. The Committee felt that it is appropriate to take a consistent and methodical approach to how land dedication is handled when plats come in and also so that the newly drafted Park Plan elements are adhered to. They discussed that a minimum of 2 acres of usable land would be desired for this development, that easy public access is preferred.

Motion made by Shanda, seconded by VanHelden to recommend to the Zoning & Planning Commission that dedication of parkland for this plat to contain at least two usable acres. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Review subdivision plat concept for single family residential located near Dollar Road and Dollar Lane.

Wolff provided an overview of a proposed concept plat located on property near the intersection of Dollar Road and Dollar Lane. A similar discussion took place relative to the appropriate location of a future park and related bicycle/pedestrian connections. The main question for the group to consider is what proximity to Dollar Road would they prefer to have the developer dedicate public parkland – to the north of Dollar Road as that property develops, or to the south of Dollar Road as that property develops. Consensus was that similar to the previous plat discussion that they would request that the developer dedicate at least two usable acres of parkland. Motion made by Peltier, seconded by Shanda to recommend to the Zoning & Planning Commission that dedication of at least two usable acres of parkland when the developer comes in for future plat review/s; The Committee also would like to explore other parkland options on property south of Dollar Road and more to the west of the property currently under review. The motion carried unanimously.

PARK & RECREATION PLAN:

1. Continue Progress and Discussion on Park & Recreation Plan update:

Wolf asked the committee members if they had any other input or questions relating to the final draft of the Park & Recreation Plan. The committee furthered their discussion on park costs, impact fees and dedication requirements, knowing that it is the intent to work on that component separately at a future meeting to finalize any recommendation on fees and land dedication requirements. Wolff provided a draft resolution for the committee's review, should they wish to take action on making the recommendation of the final draft of the Park & Recreation Plan to the Zoning and Planning Commission.

Discussion took place on the resolution related to the up-coming impact fee discussion.

Motion made by Peltier, seconded by VanHelden to approve Resolution No. 001-2016,

Approval of the Town of Ledgeview Outdoor Recreation Plan 2015-2020; A friendly amendment was suggested and again, the motion was made by Peltier, seconded by Van Helden to approve Resolution No. 001-2016, Approval of the Town of Ledgeview Outdoor Recreation Plan 2015-2020, with the condition that language be included in a revised resolution to remove Appendix C from the Plan document. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Shanda, seconded by Sidman to adjourn meeting at 7:42p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes submitted by Sarah K. Burdette, acting Recording Secretary