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OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

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Notice is hereby given that the Park and Recreation Committee of the City of Wausau, Wisconsin will hold a regular or special meeting on the date, time and location shown below.

Meeting of the: **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU**
Date/Time: **Monday March 2, 2020 at 4:30pm**
Location: **City Hall (407 Grant Street, Wausau WI 54403) - Council Chambers**
Members: **Gary Gisselman, Tom Neal, David Nutting, Patrick Peckham(c), Dennis Smith**

AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION (All items listed may be acted upon)

- 1 Call the Meeting to Order
- 2 Public Comment or Suggestions
- 3 Approve Minutes - February 3, 2020
- 4 Discussion and Possible Action Approving the Execution of Lease Agreements for Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park
- 5 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Riverside Park Soil Testing Locations
- 6 Discussion and Possible Action Naming the Dog Park, 2 Hearts Dog Park
- 7 Educational Items
 - A. Dog Park Special Committee Update
 - B. Project Update - Sylvan Recreation Area, Ice Rinks, Vista Clearing, Athletic Park, Routine Operations
- 8 Future Agenda Items
- 9 Next Meeting Date - April 6, 2020 at 4:30pm
- 10 Adjournment

Patrick Peckham, Chairperson

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CITY OF WAUSAU – PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date/Time: February 3, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. Location: Council Chambers, City Hall

Members Present: Gary Gisselman, David Nutting, Pat Peckham (c), Dennis Smith, Tom Neal
Others Present: Jamie Polley-Parks, Recreation and Forestry Director, Robert Mielke-Mayor, Eric Lindman-Public Works Director, Tom Kilian, other interested parties

1. In accordance with Chapter 19, Wisc. Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and sent to the Daily Herald in the proper manner. It was noted that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order by Chairman Peckham at 4:30 p.m.

2. Public Comment – none brought forward

3. Approval of Minutes – **Motion** by Nutting, second by Neal to approve the Park and Recreation Committee draft January 6, 2020 minutes. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.

4. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Riverside Park Soil Testing – Lindman discussed how the City was waiting on the DNR's final response and said that all of the information is complete and in tonight's packet. There had been a news article that the City was withholding information which wasn't the case and he said all the information he is aware of they have seen. Neal said Committee had previously discussed delineating an area for possible test locations and Lindman's letter mentioned that REI had prepared four separate testing proposals for Committee to choose from. Lindman said those were the different scenarios that were presented previously over the last nine to ten months. Discussion followed on the approved ten testing locations along the railroad corridor. Neal questioned why some of the testing was being done immediately adjacent to previous testing. Lindman thought the DNR was trying to confirm as well as delineate out where that contaminate is and depending on what those tests come back at, the DNR may require the City to do more.

Peckham thought Committee should decide how many tests they want in the public use area of the park. He suggested starting at the center soil test that the citizens group had done and discussed how to possibly fan five tests out from there. It would give them tests in the area of the park that has been identified as having some level of contamination and they would have a good idea of the area that's most likely to be used by the public. Nutting questioned Lindman if that plan was relatable to any of the plans that REI had proposed. Lindman said REI had four different scenarios because there's not really anything that stands out as far as any testing. There's not a path like the railroad corridor that seems to show a pattern. REI had proposed anywhere from twenty some samples down to six and some were in that open area and some were along the base of the bank. Now they have the three tests on the base of the bank so it seems like as good a place as any to work out from the outfall of the culvert. Nutting thought they should use some of what the professionals had proposed. Smith thought that the Citizens for a Clean Wausau gave them some possible test sites and he wondered if those were going to be included. Lindman said the citizen group had six or seven sites and had tested three of those locations. The City could test the remainder of them if Committee would like. So far at the base of that hill there isn't any indication that additional testing would be needed there so maybe broadening out the testing locations might be a good idea to cover more area.

Tom Kilian, 133 E Thomas Street, spoke about what he felt was inconsistent handling of site investigation work plans of when they were given to Committee. He also referred to their group's tests and the letter in the packet that said it was typical for urban areas. He noted that that is geographic specific and gave reasons why. He said what their group would like to see is more tests done at the culvert inlet and outlet area again as well as the pathway that would go down into the park and hopefully a few more samples in that area where they did the limited sampling at both the true surface level and also at the base of the A-Horizon.

Neal thought further testing if done would be done in the general area around the central test that the Citizens for a Clean Wausau had done and possibly go towards the river from there. Peckham thought they should go east as the direction of the plume of the contamination from Wauleco arced that way and they want to test where the public goes. There is the old historic number of 87.7 at the culvert outlet and now the new number there is about a quarter of that old number. He felt Committee is charged with making sure the users of the park can feel safe there and can be told it is a safe area to recreate and bring their families. Neal thought they should recommend four tests in that general area following a logical possible arc towards the bike polo/parking lot area and he questioned Kilian's response to that. Kilian thought the number sounded reasonable but had a concern about the direction because all along with the park they had been concerned about storm water flow and runoff. He did not think the testing should go uphill, but rather they should follow the route from the storm water map. Nutting wondered if in rainstorms the contaminants from exposed railroad tracks and ties could make their way down the street and into the park. Neal asked Lindman to consider Nutting's concern when determining test locations. Peckham said if REI thinks that may be a

potential concern they could suggest it as an option. He noted that they are proposing four tests today and they may end up doing more depending what they learn. He hopes the levels are not of significant concern and they don't have to worry about remediation but if there are areas of concern he believed Committee is predisposed to continue working on this until they get a satisfactory solution.

Motion by Neal, second by Gisselman to approve adding four more test sites to the existing ten locations that are required by the DNR. The four sites should go on a downhill trajectory from the Citizens group tests and be brought back to Committee at the next meeting. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Parkland Dedication for a Proposed Development – Polley discussed with Committee the concept of park dedication for a proposed residential subdivision off of 72nd Avenue. Chapter 21 of the municipal code provides information on park dedication requirements for residential and commercial developments in the City. Land can be dedicated for park purposes or cash in lieu of land or a combination of both. She recommended that Committee take some land in this development because in the adopted 2017-2021 City Outdoor Recreation Plan this new development and an existing development to the south are outside of any park service area. Based on calculations provided in Chapter 21, the amount of park land required would be 3.34 acres or \$33,980.00 in fees. Polley discussed some concerns she had with the map. She said there are mapped wetlands which she didn't want to take for all of the park land because their goal is to put in a playground and park area. The developer can still dedicate wetlands to the City and in this case the developer is recommending to do that. She also recommended that they not take park land around the perimeter of the development or the small wetland areas. If Committee supports requesting land for park dedication, staff would work with the developer to get as much buildable land in the middle of the development as possible for a park. They will look at what the acreage is that is not wetland and if it can total 3.34 acres then they have their parkland dedication and if they can't get that many buildable acres then the remaining amount would be taken in cash per the ordinance. There has been a trail connection added in the plan to get people from the development to the middle area.

Neal questioned having a park to manage versus having some natural area. Polley said the entire 3.34 acres doesn't all have to be manicured but based on the outdoor recreation plan, a goal of the City is to have a park within so many minutes or distance from a neighborhood. The two neighborhoods in this area are not even within walking distance of any park. A goal here would be to have an active park area of, according to park standards, not quite two acres but definitely over an acre and the rest could be prairie or trails. Polley believed that per the outdoor recreation plan they have an obligation for some sort of park area and the rest they can work with but they don't want all wetland and even when thinking about the size of the park to consider the future and potential land development to the east of the subdivision. Polley mentioned that a trail is being proposed to the north of the subdivision that would connect to Stettin Drive. She also noted that there is a heavily used snowmobile trail in the area that will need consideration. Peckham questioned whether they would accept more than 3.34 acres if some of it were wetlands that they intended to keep in its natural state. Polley said her recommendation is to accept as much open space and park as the developer wants to dedicate, whether it's manicured or natural area, but the minimum they want to accept is 3.34 acres.

Smith felt the project had history and some people were not happy because they felt running 68th Avenue through the development would put a lot of traffic on it and there were no sidewalks along there. He also thought it ran into some issues because of the wetlands. He thought Committee should wait until the project is approved first before they discuss park land. Polley said she is just asking Committee to support the recommendation that they do want the parkland dedicated. She wanted to make sure that the park doesn't get missed when it goes to Plan Commission so she wanted a recommendation from Committee first. Other suggestions by Committee members included access into the park area for other neighborhoods without having to use Stewart Avenue such as from the northeast corner of the subdivision; possibly a small strip of land along the north perimeter for a connection into the park; that the park is more central between the two developments; and sidewalks incorporated by the round-a-bout area. Polley said park staff recommends sidewalks go in for safety as the department does not maintain development's internal trails in the winter.

Motion by Nutting, second by Neal to request 3.34 acres of buildable land for potential use as a conventional park and to accept additional property that could be used as a natural area contingent on the proposed subdivision plan being approved by other Committees. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.

6. Educational Items

A. Dog Park Special Committee Update – Polley reported that the Dog Park Committee has raised \$73,259.25 to date and an additional \$20,000 has been requested to be allocated from the City CIP budget. Neal said an individual has come forward interested in naming rights which will be discussed at tonight's Dog Park Committee meeting.

B. Project Update – Sylvan Recreation Area: Routine grooming continues on the tubing hills and cross country ski trail system. New wood chips are being hauled into and spread in the “bowl” runout areas of each hill for user safety. Ice Rinks: Rinks are maintained daily as use is ongoing and weather conditions are cooperating. Vista Clearing: Continuation-staff has been working on removing and/or reducing vegetation in designated vistas as time allows. Athletic Park: Prep work (snow removal and utility work) is underway for upcoming outfield light replacement and Phase IV construction. Routine Operations/Programs: Snow removal operations, urban forestry program; tree trimming, removals, stump grinding, building and structure maintenance, shelter reservations and special events, equipment maintenance and repair.

C. Program Update – Winterfest – Winterfest was held on Saturday, January 25th at the 400 Block. The Community enjoyed ice skating, snow man making, ice sculptures, wagon rides, hot chocolate and cookies and much more. The weather was great for the event. County Events: Chinese New Year – UW Extension organized the County’s first ever Chinese New Year celebration. Our department was a partner for the event and assisted with the facility and day of activities. The event was very successful with over 765 people attending and another 50+ vendors and performers. The event was action packed with performances, cooking demonstrations, Mandarin lessons, martial arts demonstrations and much more. Badger State Games & Ironbull Winter Triathlon – Nine Mile County Forest Recreation Area hosted the 2020 Badger State Winter Games (BSG) Nordic Skiing on Saturday, January 25th and the Ironbull Winter Triathlon (also a BSG event) on Sunday, January 26th. Prior to each event the area received a great deal of snow so our grooming staff worked around the clock to make sure the trails were groomed and ready for the events. The events went very well and staff has received many nice comments on the quality of the trails. BSG Nordic Skiing offered 12 events for participants to compete in. According to the online results. 382 people participated. The first Winter Triathlon for Ironbull included Nordic skiing, fat tire biking and snowshoeing. There were 25 individual participants and 7 teams.

7. Future Agenda Items – Riverside Park Testing Locations

8. Next Meeting Date – March 2, 2020 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers at City Hall.

9. Adjourn – **Motion** by Smith, second by Neal to adjourn at 5:45p.m. Motion **carried** by voice vote, vote reflected as 5-0.

AGENDA SUMMARY

4. Discussion and Possible Action Approving the Execution of Lease Agreements for Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park

Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park are located on property that is part of the Wausau Downtown Airport. This property is not currently utilized by the airport and has been developed and maintained for park purposes. The lease that the City had for use of this property as park property has expired. The Committee is asked to recommend to the City Council the execution of a new five (5) year lease for these parks.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Riverside Park Soil Testing

A memo is attached from Public Works Director Eric Lindman outlining the soil testing location recommendations. Mr. Lindman will be present at the meeting to answer any questions.

6. Discussion and Possible Action Naming the Dog Park, 2 Hearts Dog Park

A request by Brian Stolzman to name the new dog park "2 Hearts Dog Park" was made to the Dog Park Special Committee on February 3, 2020. The naming of the park is in honor of Brian's late wife Deb Stolzman who passed away last year after a courageous battle with brain cancer. Deb was the first president of the New Life Pet Adoption Center near Marathon City. She had a love for animals and a love for the community. She worked for Midwest Communications and was involved in many community organizations.

The Dog Park Committee established an amount of \$17,500 that would be required to name the park after Deb. The 2 Hearts for Deb Foundation is committed to raising the set amount. The Dog Park Committee is recommending approval of the naming request to name the dog park 2 Hearts Dog Park to the City Council.

7. Educational Items

7A. Dog Park Special Committee Update

An update on items the committee has been discussing and working on will be provided. The Committee has raised \$73,259.25 to date and an additional \$20,000 has been requested to be allocated from the City CIP budget. The naming of the dog park was discussed tonight.

7B. Project Update

Sylvan Recreation Area:

Routine grooming continues on the tubing hills and cross country ski trail system.

Snowmaking "trial" is underway to determine the number of machines that can be used during snowmaking operations.

Cross country ski trail grooming continues; use has been steady.

Ice Rinks:

Rinks are maintained daily as use is ongoing and weather conditions are still cooperating.

Vista Clearing:

Continuation: Staff has been working on removing and/or reducing vegetation in designated vistas as time allows.

Athletic Park:

Prep work (snow removal and utility work) continues for upcoming outfield light replacement and Phase IV construction.

AGENDA SUMMARY

Routine Operations/Programs:

Snow Removal Operations

Urban forestry program; tree trimming, removals, stump grinding,

Building and structure maintenance.

Shelter reservations and Special Events

Equipment maintenance and repair

LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT OF LEASE, made this ____ day of _____ 2020 ("Lease"), between the City of Wausau, a municipal corporation, located in Marathon County, Wisconsin, on behalf of the Wausau Downtown Airport, hereinafter referred to as "LESSOR," and the City of Wausau, a municipal corporation, located in Marathon County, Wisconsin, hereinafter referred to as "LESSEE";

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City of Wausau, on behalf of the Wausau Downtown Airport, is the owner of certain premises further described on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein which is part of the Wausau Downtown Airport; and

WHEREAS, said premises are presently not in use for airport purposes; and

WHEREAS, said premises have been developed and maintained for park purposes since 1955 and are named Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wausau on behalf of the Wausau Downtown Airport desires to maintain and preserve these premises for the future needs and development of the Wausau Downtown Airport.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is covenanted and agreed, between the parties as follows:

1. Term. Subject to the termination provisions contained in paragraph 9 of this Lease, LESSOR hereby leases to LESSEE the following premises described in Exhibit A ("Premises"), located in the City of Wausau, for a term of five (5) years which shall be automatically renewed for two (2) additional terms of two (2) years each unless written notice is given by either party to the other of the intent not to renew upon 30-day written notice prior to the end of the initial lease term or prior to the end of each renewal term. This initial Lease term shall commence on date April 1, 2020, and terminate on March 31, 2025, unless terminated as provided herein.

2. Fees. LESSEE shall be held liable to LESSOR, in return for the use of the Premises in an annual amount equivalent to the annual operations and maintenance costs of the Premises, such amount to be paid by in kind operations and maintenance services performed by LESSEE. Such services were valued at \$5,844.04 for Alexander Airport Park and \$9,320.13 for Airport Sports Park in 2019 and will vary on an annual basis depending on changing operational needs and costs.

3. Use. LESSEE shall use the Premises exclusively as a public park. LESSEE agrees to cooperate with LESSOR in coordinating scheduled uses of the Premises with LESSOR'S airport management activities to avoid or minimize disruption to the operations of the airport. LESSEE shall further permit LESSOR occasional use and occupancy of the Premises, including the exclusive use and occupancy of the Premises for City of Wausau public events. LESSOR agrees to notify LESSEE of such airport management activities and associated requirements or its intention to use and occupy the Premises no less than 60 days in advance of the activity or use and occupancy except in the cases of aeronautical safety and security concerns in which case LESSOR shall give such notice as is practicable under the circumstances. In the case of actual use and occupancy of the Premises by LESSOR, LESSOR shall be responsible for the associated costs of such use and occupancy by LESSOR including repair of damage occurring as a result of its use and occupancy of the Premises. All use, occupancy, maintenance and operation of the Premises by LESSEE shall be in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, - Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation-Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said regulations may be amended; and pursuant to Section 30, Civil Rights (49 U.S.C. 1730) of the Airport and Airway Development Act Amendments of 1976, as well as all other applicable federal, state and local laws.

4. Improvements. LESSEE shall not make any improvements to the Premises without the prior written consent of the LESSOR, or engage in any use or development of the Premises which would conflict with normal airport operations.

5. Restrictions on Use. LESSEE expressly agrees to prevent any use of, or activities on the Premises which would interfere with or be a hazard to the flight of aircraft over the Premises, or to and from the airport, or interfere with air navigation and communication facilities presently or in the future serving the airport and specifically agrees not to permit the height of any structure, object of natural growth, or other obstruction to exceed height limits established in Title 49, Part 77 of the Code of Federal Regulations as shown on the map attached as Exhibit B, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length. All costs of complying with said height limits shall be borne by LESSEE.

LESSEE shall not create any hazard which would interfere with the use of or the safety of air traffic at the Wausau Downtown Airport or which is contrary to the regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration or the laws and regulations of the State of Wisconsin or ordinances of the City of Wausau.

6. Maintenance. LESSEE shall protect and maintain the Premises, including any improvements, in good condition and in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, including but not limited to the provisions of the Wausau Municipal Code, at sole cost of LESSEE except as otherwise provided in paragraph 3.

7. Assignment. LESSEE shall not sell or assign this Lease or sublet the Premises or any part thereof.
8. Insurance. LESSEE shall insure the Premises in the same manner and in the same amounts as other park properties owned by the LESSEE.
9. Termination of Lease. LESSOR shall have the right to terminate this Lease upon ninety (90) days' written notice to LESSEE, at any time during the term of this Lease and for any reason whatsoever, such reasons including but not being limited to LESSOR's determination, at its sole discretion, that the Premises are required by LESSOR.
10. Removal of Improvements. Upon expiration or termination of this Lease for any reason, LESSEE shall have one hundred eighty (180) days after such expiration or termination to remove any and all equipment and improvements made to the Premises by LESSEE during the term of this Lease. Upon expiration of this period, any improvements not removed by LESSEE shall remain the property of the LESSOR without any cost to the LESSOR. Upon such removal, LESSEE shall repair and restore the Premises to a safe and slightly condition. Any physical alterations or improvements to the land itself, such as landscaping, changes in topography or the like shall not be removed by LESSEE.
11. Grant Assurance and State Aid. LESSEE shall comply or take all steps necessary to enable LESSOR to comply with the requirements of current and future federal grant assurances and conditions of state aid.
12. Amendments. This Lease constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties, and supersedes all offers, negotiations, and other agreements of any kind. There are no representations or understandings of any kind not set forth herein. Any modification of or amendment to this Lease must be in writing and executed by both parties.
13. Notices. All notices required by this Lease shall be in writing and personally delivered or sent First Class Mail to LESSOR, in care of the City Clerk, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403, with a copy to the Wausau and Marathon County Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department, 212 River Drive, Suite 2, Wausau, WI 54403 and to LESSEE in care of the City Clerk, City Hall, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403.
14. Survival. All representations, indemnifications, warranties, and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with this Lease, as well as all continuing obligations will survive termination or expiration of this Lease.

15. Severability. If any portion of this Lease shall become illegal, null or void or against public policy, for any reason, or shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Lease shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent permissible by law.

16. Waiver. The failure of either party to enforce any of the provisions of this Lease shall not be construed as a waiver of such provision or of the right of the party thereafter to enforce each and every such provision.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Lease to be executed on the date first above written.

CITY OF WAUSAU, on behalf of the Wausau Downtown
Airport (LESSOR)

BY _____
Robert B. Mielke, Mayor

Attest:

_____, Clerk

CITY OF WAUSAU (LESSEE)

BY _____
Robert B. Mielke, Mayor

_____, Clerk

**JT. RESOLUTION OF AIRPORT COMMITTEE AND
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Authorizing execution of lease for Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park

Committee Action: (Airport Committee)
 (Parks and Recreation Committee)

Fiscal Impact:

File Number:

Date Introduced:

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

COSTS	<i>Budget Neutral</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	
	<i>Included in Budget:</i>	Yes ☒ No ☐	<i>Budget Source:</i>
	<i>One-time Costs:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Recurring Costs:</i>	Yes ☒ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
SOURCE	<i>Fee Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Grant Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Debt Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount</i> <i>Annual Retirement</i>
	<i>TID Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>TID Source: Increment Revenue</i> ☐ <i>Debt</i> ☐ <i>Funds on Hand</i> ☐ <i>Interfund Loan</i> ☐		

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Wausau is the owner of certain premises which are a part of the City of Wausau Downtown Airport (“Airport”); and

WHEREAS, these premises are not presently used by the Airport for airport purposes, and have not been in use for airport purposes since 1955; and

WHEREAS, these premises have been developed and maintained for park purposes and are named Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park; and

WHEREAS, the premises have been the subject of a lease between the City of Wausau and itself to comply with State of Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics and Federal Aviation Administration regulations and guidelines for the non-aeronautical use of airport property; and

WHEREAS, the lease has expired and it is necessary to renew the lease for these premises; and

WHEREAS, the lease provides for a five (5) year term to commence April 1, 2020, with two additional renewal terms of two (2) years each, subject to a ninety (90) day termination provision and

rent in an annual amount equivalent to the annual operations and maintenance costs of the premises to be paid by in kind operations and maintenance services performed by the City of Wausau, such services having been valued at \$5,844.04 for Alexander Airport Park and \$9,320.13 for Airport Sports Park for the calendar year 2019, and which will vary on an annual basis depending upon changing operational needs and costs; and

WHEREAS, your Airport Committee, at their _____, 2020, meeting recommends that the lease, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as “Exhibit 1” be approved; and

WHEREAS, your Parks and Recreation Committee, at their _____, 2020, meeting recommends that the lease, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as “Exhibit 1” be approved; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Wausau, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the lease agreement for Alexander Airport Park and Airport Sports Park a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as “Exhibit 1.”

Approved:

Robert B. Mielke, Mayor

Department of Public Works



Eric Lindman, P.E.
Director of Public Works and Utilities

TO: Park & Recreation Committee

FROM: Eric Lindman, P.E.
Director of Public Works & Utilities

DATE: March 2, 2020 – Park & Rec Committee

SUBJECT: Riverside Park – 4 Proposed Test Locations

Attached are the following:

1. Map – Previous test locations, WDNR proposed test locations & City proposed test locations

Additional Tests Proposed

The Riverside Rail Corridor, 132 River St, was identified by the WDNR to have pollution detected based on previous soil testing. The WDNR has identified this site through their Bureau for Remediation and Redevelopment Tracking System (BRRTS #02-37-584785). The City is named the Responsible Party and is required by state law to take necessary steps to ultimately have this site “closed” by the WDNR.

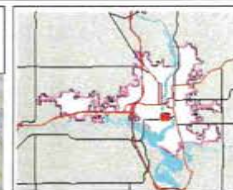
At the February 3, 2020 Park & Rec meeting the approved WDNR Site Investigation Work Plan, related to the Riverside Rail Corridor, was presented. The Work Plan identified 10 separate testing locations along the rail corridor. The Park & Rec Committee requested the City perform 4 additional soil tests in Riverside Park, beyond the required scope of work required by the WDNR.

Through discussion with the Committee and comments from the Citizen Group it was requested that staff determine 4 locations for additional testing in Riverside Park. The discussion from the Committee and the Citizen Group was to look at the stormwater drainage areas and complete at least one test in the open area of the park.

Once the final determination is made by the Committee related to the number and location of the tests an amendment to the REI Professional Services Agreement will be completed related to the additional scope of work. Testing will take place once the snow has melted and the site is accessible.



DPW Mapping System



- Legend**
- Parcel
 - Section Line/Number
 - Manhole
 - Discharge Point
 - Outlet Structure
 - Inlet (w/Overland Flow)
 - Catch Basin
 - Down Spout
 - Inlet Box
 - Overland Flow
 - Open Drainage
 - Main
 - Collector
 - Culvert
 - Force
 - Inlet/Load
 - Overflow
 - Underground Detention
 - Storage Basin Point
 - Storage Basin
 - Contours - Index (2015)
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 - Index Depression
 - Contours - Intermediate (2015)
 - Intermediate
 - Intermediate Depression
 - Railroad
 - Municipality

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Notes

CITY OF WAUSAU, 407 Grant Street, Wausau, WI 54403

RESOLUTION OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Approving the Naming of the Dog Park to 2 Hearts Dog Park

Committee Action:

Fiscal Impact: \$0

File Number:

Date Introduced: March 10, 2020

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY

COSTS	<i>Budget Neutral</i>	Yes ☒ No ☐	
	<i>Included in Budget:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	<i>Budget Source:</i>
	<i>One-time Costs:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Recurring Costs:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	<i>Amount:</i>
SOURCE	<i>Fee Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☒	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Grant Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>Debt Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount</i> <i>Annual Retirement</i>
	<i>TID Financed:</i>	Yes ☐ No ☐	<i>Amount:</i>
	<i>TID Source: Increment Revenue</i> ☐ <i>Debt</i> ☐ <i>Funds on Hand</i> ☐ <i>Interfund Loan</i> ☐		

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the city has a desire to establish a dog park within the city for dogs and their owners to enjoy within a safe and controlled environment; and

WHEREAS, a committee was desired to research design and funding opportunities available to make the City of Wausau dog park a reality; and

WHEREAS, a Dog Park Committee was created as a Special Committee under Section 2.16 Rule 13D. of the Wausau Municipal Code, on November 13, 2018 for the purpose of investigating issues before the committee and making recommendation on issues before the committee; and

WHEREAS, the Dog Park Committee will advise and report to the Park and Recreation Committee, as well as other committees of the Common Council as needed; and

WHEREAS, the Dog Park Committee has been raising funds to complete the dog park in the summer of 2020 through grant writing, sponsorships, events and naming rights; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made to the Dog Park Committee to name the park after the late Deb Stolzman who passed away last year after a battle with brain cancer; and

WHEREAS, Deb was a champion for animals and the first president of New Life Pet Adoption. Deb was a respected member of the community and worked for Midwest Communications and media sales which connected her to many organization and people; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation, 2 Hearts for Deb was formed in Deb's name to help animals.

WHEREAS, the Dog Park will be a place for the community to recreate with their dogs and socially interact. The Dog Park will be a place for community members to share their stories of how dogs have affected their lives.

WHEREAS, the Dog Park Committee recommended approval of the name, “2 Hearts Dog Park,” to the Parks and Recreation Committee if the 2 Hearts for Deb Foundation raises \$17,500 for the construction of the dog park.

WHEREAS, your Parks and Recreation Committee, on March 2, 2020, recommended approval of the name, “2 Hearts Dog Park,” for its first dog park, located at 224 S 4th Street, Wausau WI 54403 with the donation of \$17,500.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council approves the name “2 Hearts Dog Park” for the City’s first established dog park for a donation of \$17,500.

Approved:

Robert B. Mielke, Mayor

DOG PARK SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – (naming portion)

Date/Time: February, 3rd, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Location: Birch Room, City Hall, 407 Grant St., Wausau, WI 54403

Members Present: Jamie Rice-Heckendorf (c), Tom Neal, David Nutting, Susan Schmidt, Ed Giallombardo

Others Present: Jamie Polley, Brian Stolzman, supporters of Brian Stolzman

Members Absent: Lauren Henkelman

Request for Naming Rights – Brian Stolzman – Stolzman presented the idea of naming the dog park after his wife Deb who recently passed away from cancer. He gave a heartfelt story about what his wife was like and what she went through with her treatments. He discussed her passion for dogs and how they helped her throughout the treatments. She worked in media sales throughout the area and was the first President of the New Life Adoption Center near Marathon. He said before she passed away she made a drawing for him and said “two hearts - me and you, you and me” which started Two Hearts For Deb.

Neal discussed the history of the park and said they have around \$34,000 left to fundraise. No one else has come forward and bid on naming rights which were negotiable. He thought the amount for that should be greater than \$15,000 as that was what the top donors had given. Polley mentioned that typically sponsorships or naming parks is usually a pretty significant part of the cost of the project. Committee could consider just over the \$15,000 amount or closer to the \$34,000. This is a unique smaller park that is not really being built with City funds but is being built by community funds with the City’s help. Stolzman asked for the amount they wanted for him to be able to name the park and what the timeframe would be. Lengthy discussion followed regarding an amount Committee would like for naming the park. Rice-Heckendorf noted that the basic infrastructure was going in this spring and depending on the weather they hoped to open the first half of the summer. Polley said the park could open with a rule sign and generic signs inside the park and an arch or name sign could wait. She thought the grand opening would be in mid-June and signage would take a couple weeks to design and build that they may need Stolzman’s commitment by April. Members supported Stolzman’s idea and felt it speaks to the community, has support and was tied to a love of dogs. Stolzman hoped it would be a place animal lovers could go and be together. Everyone knows someone who is going through something and this is a place where they could remember their loved ones. He thought maybe they could have an area where plaques could be placed for those who have died from cancer or survived it. A quote his wife kept that he envisioned on the park sign said “take the time to observe animals, what you learn will enrich your life”. Neal felt the Committee came together as a grass roots effort and he was thankful for the support of the area foundations but felt there was no better way for it to end than an effort like this. **Motion** by Neal, second by Giallombardo to set the fundraising goal at \$17,500 for Stolzman to lock in the naming rights **Motion carried** by voice vote. Vote reflected as 5-0.

DOG PARK SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (draft-naming portion)

Date/Time: February, 24th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Location: Birch Room, City Hall, 407 Grant St., Wausau, WI 54403

Members Present: Jamie Rice-Heckendorf (c), Lauren Henkelman, Susan Schmidt, Ed Giallombardo

Others Present: Jamie Polley, Brian Stolzman, Keith Rusch

Members Absent: Tom Neal, David Nutting

Request for Naming Rights – Originally the idea had been to name the park “2 Hearts for Deb Dog Park” but a suggestion came up to name it “2 Hearts Dog Park”. The entrance sign could have the name with “in memory of Deb Stolzman” underneath it. Deb’s story could be told with some of her catch phrases on signs throughout the park. The name “2 Hearts Dog Park” would have more than one meaning because it’s for Brian and Deb and it could also be for everybody’s heart and their dog. Stolzman thought that made good sense. Polley had checked with the City Attorney and because of how this committee was set, the name has to be approved by City Council. It does not have to be approved by the Park and Recreation Committee but will be taken to their next meeting as a courtesy. Polley will put together a resolution and needs to know what the final name will be. **Motion** by Giallombardo, second by Schmidt to have the name as “2 Hearts Dog Park”. **Motion carried** by voice vote. Vote reflected as 4-0.