

ADVISORY PARK BOARD AGENDA

March 25, 2024

5:30 PM

Meeting Room A

City-County Government Center

160 S Macy Street

Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

I. ROLL CALL

A. Attendance

B. Declaration Quorum Present

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. February 26, 2024 Minutes

III. INPUT

A. Audience Comments (Agenda and Non-Agenda Items)

The Presiding Officer Shall Limit Non-Agenda Items To One Minute Speaking Time And Items Noticed On The Agenda To Five Minutes Speaking Time.

B. March Park Superintendent Report

- Donated Bench Installation
- Taylor Pool Water Leak
- Recreational Boating Facility Grant for Lakeside West Road Entrance Renovation
- Seasonal Employment Update
- Lakeside Park Bridge Over Fond du Lac River Update

Presented By: Park Superintendent, John Redmond

C. Update on Taylor Park

Presented By: Friends of Taylor Park

D. Park History Plan

Presented By: Director of Public Works, Paul DeVries

IV. ADJOURN

**ADVISORY PARK BOARD AGENDA
CITY OF FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN**

Title: February 26, 2024 Minutes

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ADVISORY PARK BOARD MINUTES

February 26, 2024

5:30 PM

Meeting Room A

City-County Government Center

160 S Macy Street
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

ROLL CALL

Attendance

Present

Dale Albrandt
Velesca Fleischman
Bill Greymont
Kay Miller
James Misudek
John Papenheim
Amy Schingen
Brett Zimmermann

Absent

Joe Leventhal (Excused)

Administrative Staff

Paul DeVries, Director of Public Works
John Redmond, Parks Superintendent

Declaration Quorum Present

Chairperson, Amy Schingen declared a quorum present.

CONSENT AGENDA

November 23, 2023 Minutes

A Motion was made by Kay Miller to approve the November 23, 2023 Minutes and seconded by Brett Zimmermann, and the motion was **Passed.**

Ayes: Albrandt, Fleischman, Greymont, Miller, Misudek, Papenheim, Schingen, Zimmermann

Absent: Leventhal

INPUT

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Spoke In Regards To The History Of Our Parks:

Laura DeGolier, 289 14th St., Fond du Lac, WI

February Park Superintendent Report

- Taylor Park Bathhouse Floor Renovation
- Fairgrounds Pool Heater Replacement
- Fairgrounds Pool Slide Renovation
- Buttermilk Park - Wifler Performance Center Light Replacement
- Russell Park Playground
- Forestry Internship to Inventory City Trees
- McDermott Park Synthetic Ice Rink

Presented By: Park Superintendent, John Redmond

MPO Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan

Presented By: Director of Public Works, Paul DeVries and
East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission Staff

Kim Biedermann, Principal Planner of ECWRPC answered questions
related to MPO Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan

ADJOURN

A Motion was made by John Papenheim to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. and
seconded by James Misudek, and the motion was **Passed**.

Ayes: Albrandt, Fleischman, Greymont, Miller, Misudek, Papenheim,
Schingen, Zimmermann

Absent: Leventhal

**ADVISORY PARK BOARD AGENDA
CITY OF FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN**

Title: Update on Taylor Park
Subject: Presented By: Friends of Taylor Park
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▣	Friends_Presentation.pdf	presentation

Friends of Taylor Park and Pool

Our Story

The story begins with a group of friends who grew up in the neighborhood surrounding Taylor Park and Pool and who spent much of their youth hanging out at the park and swimming in the pool. They called themselves Taylor Park University. When the City of Fond du Lac contemplated closing the pool in 2011, this group sprang into action, changed their name to Friends of Taylor Park and Pool, incorporated as a non-profit entity, and began raising funds to support the operation of the pool. They ultimately raised \$20,000. The pool remained open and the organization now continues to help with improvements to the park and pool.

What have we done for the park?

1. Purchase five replacement trees each year
2. Purchased a gazebo for the park
3. Began the “Blue Squirrel” adventure
4. Purchased the signs for the “History Walk”
5. Contracted for landscaping around the entrance sign
6. Paid for half of the repair and repainting of the pavilion
7. Sponsored Christmas caroling last December

What have we done for the pool?

1. Had Mindy Leitner paint an incredible mural on the pool wall
2. Purchased an umbrella for the poolside seating area
3. Purchased lawn chairs for the pool area
4. Paid for half of the floor resurfacing in the lobby area
5. Paid for 59% of the recent floor resurfacing in the pool building
6. Sponsored swimming passes for many community groups
7. Sponsored family nights at the pool

What do we hope to do the the future

1. Continue to support pool maintenance and improvements
2. Advocate for security cameras
3. Reduce the administrative burden in sponsoring events
4. Sponsor musical events in the park
5. Sponsor art events in the park
6. Encourage other types of activities in the park
7. Continue to sponsor community groups for swimming
8. Continue to buy trees for the park

Taylor Park and its pool are community treasures located on the west side of Fond du Lac. We want to help preserve the park and the pool so that future generations will have the same opportunity to enjoy them as we have. I would like to share with you some photos of our accomplishments.





Once in a Blue Moon

Gray Squirrel

Jared the Blue Squirrel

Great Horned Owl

Shag Bark Hickory

Copper

Hickory Nut

Red Squirrel

Acorn

Oak









The End

**ADVISORY PARK BOARD AGENDA
CITY OF FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN**

Title: Park History Plan

Subject: Presented By: Director of Public Works, Paul DeVries

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▣	Memo_Park_History_-_APB_March_2024.pdf	memo

CITY OF FOND DU LAC - Memorandum

Department of Public Works

Date: March 25, 2024

To: Advisory Park Board

From: Paul De Vries, P.E., Director of Public Works

Re: **Park History Plan**

Through our park review process, the idea was suggested to have information available on the history of all our parks. City staff has some information but it is not complete so further research is needed. Not having the expertise in this area, City staff recommend hiring/engaging a local expert or firm to gather the historical information.

At this meeting, we are asking the APB for suggestions on what local expert or firm could perform this work; how should the information be provided to the public (City website, on-site plaques, digitally with a QR code, etc.); and what is the desired timeline to complete the project.

This is not a currently budgeted item so depending on how the discussion goes, we may be able to start in 2024 or possibly have to wait until 2025 for inclusion in the budget. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to me at 920-322-3473 or John at 920-322-3592.