

**Village of North Hudson
400 Seventh Street N.
Hudson, WI 54016
PARK BOARD MEETING
Monday, May 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.**

Call to Order: roll call

Chairman Colleen O'Brien-Berglund called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Answering the call were members Howard Novotny, Douglas Ernie, Todd Wolf, and Mona Houston. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly noticed. It was noted that Michelle Ortner, John Helgeson and Mark Ekblad, Public Works Supervisor, were not in attendance. Also in attendance was Recording Secretary, Traci Miller.

Approval of minutes of April 13, 2015 meeting

Motion (Novotny/Houston) to approve the minutes of April 13, 2015 meeting as written. Motion carried.

Comments from the floor

None

Superintendent's Report

Ekblad was not in attendance.

Park Bench in Chief Jansen Memorial Park - Laurie Erwins requesting bench in honor of Betty Zanko to be paid for through donations

Laurie Erwins was in attendance. She reviewed with the committee that friends and neighbors of Betty Zanko would like to install a stone bench in Chief Jansen Memorial Park, as well as some plantings by the bench. Laurie stated that Betty was an active person that helped take care of the park and they would like to do this in memory of her. Novotny stated that he was in favor of having the bench installed but indicated it might be good idea to have a contractor install the bench for liability reasons. Discussion followed.

Motion (Novotny/Ernie) to recommend approval of the installation of a stone bench in Chief Jansen Memorial Park in memory of Betty Zanko. Motion carried.

St. Croix River Association Boat Inspection at Ferry Landing Park-Angelique Edgerton, Invasive Species Coordinator

Angelique Edgerton from the St. Croix River Association and the "Clean Boats/Clean Waters" program was in attendance. She reviewed with the committee some background of the program. She is requesting the opportunity to provide education to the community at Ferry Landing Park regarding invasive species and to help boaters inspect their boats at the boat landing. This program is being paid for with a grant from the Department of Natural Resources. Discussion followed. Novotny inquired what hours the education would be provided at the parks. Angelique indicated a schedule would be developed once volunteers are found and verified participation is received from other cities and towns.

Novotny suggested the utmost safety be followed regarding boaters. Angelique indicated there will be safety training provided to all staff and volunteers as well.

Motion (Houston/Novotny) to recommend approval for the St. Croix River Association to provide education at Ferry Landing Park through the “Clean Boats/Clean Waters” program. Motion carried.

Sale of Mutt Mitt Containers

Houston stated she posted a couple ads online to sell the mutt mitt containers, but has received no responses. Laurie Erwins, who was still present in the audience, requested a container be re-installed at Chief Jansen Memorial Park and the neighbors would supply the bags for that container. Laurie stated she would follow-up with Mark Ekblad regarding this.

St. Croix Bike Pedestrian Coalition

O’Brien-Berglund stated she did not have anything new to report regarding the St. Croix Bike Pedestrian Coalition, but plans are still progressing. She stated there is a meeting tomorrow night at the Somerset Town Hall if anyone is interested in attending.

Future Agenda

Mutt mitt containers, Browns Beach lifeguards

Adjourn

Motion (Novotny/Houston) to adjourn. O’Brien-Berglund declared the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Traci Miller
Recording Secretary