

(approved by committee on 11/11/2021)

RACINE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2021 - SUMMARY MINUTES

Ives Grove Auditorium
Ives Grove Office Complex
14200 Washington Avenue
Sturtevant WI 53177

Committee Present: Robert Grove, Jody Spencer, Eric Hopkins (6:10pm), Tom Kramer, Tom Hincz, Brett Nielsen asked to join meeting via conference call.

Committee Excused: Thomas Pringle

Youth in Governance Representatives: Andrew Karnes (present), Aaliyah Williams (present)

Staff Present: Julie Anderson, Public Works & Development Services Director

Others Present: Debbie Griffiths, Remax Realty
Jack Cox and Nick Stefani, Edgewater Resources (Madison Office).

1. Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chair Bob Grove.

2. Review and possible approval of the draft summary minutes for the June 10, 2021, meeting.

Supervisor Tom HINCZ moved, seconded by **Supervisor Kramer**, to approve these minutes as amended at 6:07 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously. VOTE: 5/0**

3. Public Comments

There were none.

4. Presentation, discussion, and possible recommendation regarding the building and installation of donated agility equipment in both large and small dogs' side of the Karen Nelson Dog Park.

6:08

Anderson provided background about this project, which is a donation to Racine County. Debbie Griffiths presented information regarding the building and installation of donated agility equipment for large and small dogs at the Karen Nelson Dog Park. She said a general contractor will do the work, and they will also have areas hotlined and work with Park staff to determine the best locations for the agility items so that the dog areas can be mowed and maintained. Anderson said that a "simple MOU" was probably needed, and staff will get confirmation of that from Corp Counsel office soon.

Timing of the project is expected in summer or fall 2021. Discussion about funding for the agility equipment and that no County money or labor would be needed except for general direction about location of agility items.

Supervisor Tom KRAMER moved, seconded by **Supervisor SPENCER**, to accept the donation and approve the addition of dog agility equipment at the Karen A. Nelson dog park, subject to coordination with the County Parks staff and a memorandum of understanding, if required.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:

Youth Representative:

Andrew Karnes: aye

Aaliyah Williams: aye

Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 6/0

5. Presentation and discussion regarding the Racine Yacht Club redevelopment and floating wave attenuator plan, technology, and installation.

6:21

Anderson introduced the project and explained to the Committee the complex ownership in the harbor area near and around the Racine Yacht Club.

Jack Cox and Nick Stefani of Edgewater Resources reviewed slides about the proposed projects planned for the area around the Racine Yacht Club. The plan is to install several semi-trailer containers into areas in the harbor near the Yacht Club to protect dockage and to diminish the wave energy from the lake during storms and high-water events. The containers would be in about 18'-20' water depth.

Anderson indicated that a harbor study is due in 2022, as the studies are done on 5-year cycles. The last study cost approx. \$75,000.

Mr. Cox and Mr. Stefani indicated that there is still engineering and testing to be completed on the wave attenuators. In addition, there are plans to rebuild dockage as well as to rebuild a "rubble strip" on the east side of the docks and to do some beach enhancement by the yacht club. This is a multi-year project proposal, with the attenuators being the first priority and possibly started in 2022.

The yacht club is not seeking any funds from Racine County for their projects; However, Racine County needs to approve their projects since they are located in the basin owned by the County.

There was no formal approval action of the Committee, but staff was directed to write a letter of support for the project, based upon the preliminary plans shared at the meeting on this date.

Supervisor Tom HINCZ moved, seconded by **Supervisor KRAMER**, to direct staff to prepare a letter of support for the project proposal.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:

Youth Representative:

Andrew Karnes: aye

Aaliyah Williams: aye

Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 6/0

- 6. Presentation, discussion, and possible recommendation regarding a Resolution to accept highway equipment (a truck crash attenuator) funded by the State of Wisconsin. (first and second readings requested at the July 13, 2021 County Board meeting due to timeliness issue with WISDOT).**
6:46

Anderson presented this item. She shared a picture of what a truck crash attenuator looks like. She explained it is for safety in the work zones, especially along I-94 and Hwy 36 (and other state highways). The WISDOT offered payment for purchase of some attenuators and Racine County requested to receive money for this item.

Anderson also explained that the FHR Committee approved the request at their July 7, 2021, meeting and approved 1st and 2nd reading at the July 13, 2021, County Board meeting since there are timing concerns with the State fiscal year which started July 1.

Supervisor Tom HINCZ moved, seconded by **Supervisor HOPKINS**, to approve the purchase of this item using WISDOT funds and to proceed with 1st and 2nd reading on July 13, 2021.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:

Youth Representative:

Andrew Karnes: aye

Aaliyah Williams: aye

Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 6/0

- 7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on a revised list of surplus items to be sent to auction (original list presented to the committee on April 22, 2021).**
6:52

Anderson presented the revised list of auction items, which was previously approved by this Committee but then revised to add six vehicles that will also be sent to auction. Vehicles added are very old, very high miles and usually not in good shape.

Supervisor Tom KRAMER moved, seconded by **Supervisor HINCZ**, to approve the revised list of auction items which adds six vehicles to be sent to auction.

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:

Youth Representative:

Andrew Karnes: aye

Aaliyah Williams: aye

Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 6/0

- 8. Communications and Referrals**

6:54

NONE

9. Miscellaneous Public Works business

6:55

- Next scheduled PWPF meeting: Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment

6:56

There being no further business, **Supervisor Tom HINCZ moved**, seconded by **Supervisor Kramer**, to adjourn at **6:56 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. VOTE: 6/0**