

**RACINE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023 - SUMMARY MINUTES**

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

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**Attendance:** T. Kramer √ R. Grove √ T. Hincz A M. Harmon √

E. Hopkins √ E. Chart √ J. Malacara E

**Youth in Governance:** N. Blount A I. Flores √

**Staff:** R. Behm √ B. Haas √ A. Valley E K. Parsons √

**Others in Attendance:**

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**1. Call to Order, Roll Call**

6:00

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Kramer.

**2. Roll Call**

6:00

Vice-Chairman Grove introduced the Committee members, staff and YIG.

**3. Review and possible approval of the draft summary minutes for the May 25, 2023, meeting.**

6:03

**Supervisor ROBERT GROVE moved**, seconded by **Supervisor Chart**, to approve the May 25, 2023, minutes.

**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:**

Youth Representative:

Nicholas Blount: aye

Itzetl Flores: aye

**Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 5/0**

**4. Public Comments**

6:04

NONE

**5. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the creation of a Butterfly Garden/Pollinator Patch at Eagle Lake Park.**

6:04

Ben Haas introduced Kelly Schneider and three members of Girl Scout Troop #10464 from Union Grove who presented their project. They requested putting in a butterfly garden to help increase the population of the monarch butterfly, which has declined over 85% in the last 20 years due to agricultural practices.

Two, bean-shaped, flowers beds will be created, and butterfly friendly flowers will be planted with a few large stones for the butterflies to warm themselves. A bend and butterfly statue are also planned to be installed as part of the project.

Donations are being raised to pay for the project.

**Supervisor ROBERT GROVE moved**, seconded by **Supervisor Harmon**, to move the project forward.

**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:**

Youth Representative:

Nicholas Blount: aye

Itzetl Flores: aye

**Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 5/0**

- 6. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding permission to land a National Guard helicopter at Fischer Park on July 1, 2023, for Brown's Lake Venetian Fest.**  
6:12 (Committee action to route Landing Authorization Agreement as a standard contract).

Ben introduced Brian Biedrzycki of the National Guard who was present to answer questions of the Committee.

The helicopter is a Blackhawk and is expected to land at 1:30pm and take off at 4:30pm. There is plenty of room to land and the guard is very familiar with the park. There will be a four-man crew available to answer questions of residents and promote the military.

Corporation Counsel has reviewed the statement in lieu of liability insurance and found it to be sufficient and are comfortable moving forward. The Federal and State governments are responsible for liability.

**Supervisor MARLO HARMON moved**, seconded by **Supervisor Grove**, to approve the National Guard helicopter present at Fischer Park for the Brown's Lake Venetian Fest.

**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES' ADVISORY VOTES:**

Youth Representative:

Nicholas Blount: aye

Itzetl Flores: aye

**Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 5/0**

- 7. Miscellaneous Public Works business.**  
6:18

- Referrals  
NONE
- Next meeting of the PWPF Committee: Thursday, June 22, 2023, at 6pm, if warranted.

- 8. Adjournment**  
6:19

There being no further business, **Supervisor ROBERT GROVE moved**, seconded by **Supervisor Harmon**, to adjourn at **6:19 p.m.**