

**CITY OF EAU CLAIRE
WATERWAYS AND PARKS COMMISSION
(Meeting Minutes)**

February 27, 2019

Members Present: Joshua Miller, Tom Fiedler, Susan McLeod, Kate Beaton, John Bodkin, Ron Doering, Jenni Sterling, Terry Weld

Members Absent: Kirk Dahl, Meredith Ball (The Commission has one vacancy with Megan Kremer's resignation)

Staff Present: Jeff Pippenger, Pat Ivory

The meeting was chaired by Joshua Miller at the City's Central Maintenance Facility Conference Room and called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 23, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

Business Agenda.

A. Presentation on Eagle Scout Project. Jeff Pippenger provided an overview of a request from Kevin Byrne to undertake an Eagle Scout project that would involve the installation of seven monofilament recovery stations at the various boat landings within the City.

Kevin Byrne was present at the meeting to discuss the project. Kevin discussed the issues related to improper disposal of monofilament fishing line to wildlife and the environment. He also provided information about the design of the recovery stations.

The Commission thanked Kevin for his work on the project and suggested that the City use its social media resources to promote the project.

B. Recommendation on a Proposal for Rezone a City Parcel at 111 Niagara and Classify the Parcel as a Special Park Area. Jeff Pippenger informed the Commission that a neighborhood group was proposing to make some limited improvements to the City-owned parcel located at 111 Niagara Street including some landscaping and areas for yard games such as kub. The City would like to officially recognize the area as a park and open space, whereas it currently does not have a parks classification. In addition, since the parcel is now owned by the City, it should be rezoned to Public.

The Commission discussed the request and suggested that some minimal signage be included to inform the public that the area is a public site.

ACTION TAKEN: Tom Fiedler moved to recommend that the parcel be rezoned to Public and classified as a special park area in the City's Parks Plans. Susan McLeod seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

Other Items.

-The Commission reviewed the special events listing and Director's Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Submitted by,
Susan McLeod, Secretary