

**ALLOUEZ PARKS, RECREATION, & FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015
6:30 P.M., ALLOUEZ VILLAGE HALL, 1900 LIBAL STREET, GREEN BAY**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM by Lee Bouche.

Present: Lee Bouche, Bob Ferguson, Angela Kowalzek-Adrians, Rob Atwood,

Excused: Dave Doran, Martha Bonnie, Kelsey Prescott

Also Present: Chris Clark, Nate and Tabatha Wallenfang (Titletown Select Baseball)

MODIFY / ADOPT AGENDA

A. Kowalzek-Adrians moved to adopt the agenda as presented. R. Ferguson seconded the motion. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 18, 2015 MINUTES

R. Atwood moved to approve the November 18, 2015 minutes. A. Kowalzek-Adrians seconded the motion. All ayes.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

None

INFORMATION/REPORTS

- a. C. Clark handed out copies of the National Recreation and Parks Association's *The Economic Impact of Local Parks* executive summary to the Committee members. This report summarizes the impact that local parks throughout the nation have on the local economy.
- b. C. Clark informed the Committee that Jeff Bahling, from Rettler Corporation, who we had been working with on the Allouez Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, unexpectedly passed away over the weekend.

TITLETOWN SELECT BASEBALL ORGANIZATION'S PROPOSAL TO UTILIZE EAST LAWN PARK BASEBALL DIAMOND.

Nate and Tabatha Wallenfang, Titletown Select, Inc., presented a proposal for their organization to utilize East Lawn Park baseball diamond for their home facility. They gave the background of the organization, non-profit 501(c)3, their mission and goals, who they serve, and lack of facilities in the area.

They proposed that Titletown Select would like to form a partnership/park adoption with the Village and have first right usage of the ball diamond in exchange for financial support for maintenance of the facility as well as assisting in capital improvements at the park. They are also

planning to hold tournaments during the summer in the Green Bay area, which they feel will bring in teams from around the Midwest thus providing an economic impact to the area.

Discussion:

- Other facilities Titledown Select has used in Allouez: Langlade diamond, Green Isle baseball and softball diamonds, and Riverview softball diamonds.
- Number of teams in their organization: currently one U12 softball, one U14 softball, and one U13 baseball. They plan to expand as participation increases.
- Fees for participants: \$1850 per player with a \$200 down payment, with fundraising opportunities. This guarantees the participant 10 tournaments, uniforms, paid coaches, use of training facilities and staff, and national scout exposure.
- Currently East Lawn baseball diamond is utilized by Babe Ruth and East High JV baseball for practicing. Also Pop Warner uses green space for practicing.
- Number of cars and parking: During most days of use during the season they anticipate approximately 10 cars with maybe double that amount during the few games that they would host. Potentially in excess of 20 vehicles in July during their summer tournament.
- First rights or exclusive rights: Titledown Select is asking for first rights of usage of the diamond and allowing others to utilize the facility during open times that Titledown is not using the field.
- Recommended park improvements: new fencing, replace infield, new dugouts, safety netting, and sponsorship banners on fencing. Many of these items are included in the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan for improvements to the park.
- Lights: Titledown Select does not see a need for lights in the near future. This may be of concern to the neighborhood if ever proposed.
- It would be a good idea to notify the neighborhood of Titledown Select's proposal.

R. Atwood / B. Ferguson moved to have staff work with Titledown Select, Inc. on a formal sport usage agreement to be brought back to the Committee for review at the January 26, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

ALLOUEZ COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN ADOPTION

L. Bouche / A. Kowalzek-Adrians moved to recommend adoption of the Allouez Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan by the Village Board. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

R. Atwood moved to adjourn at 7:23 PM. B. Ferguson seconded the motion. All ayes.

Minutes taken by Chris Clark.