

**PEQUOT LAKES PARK COMMISSION
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019
CITY HALL**

Members Present: Chair Ronning, Commissioners Kim Churak, Pat Churak, Johnson, Maher and Sjoblad

Members Absent: Commissioners Melby

Also Present: Nancy Malecha, City Administrator; Mimi Swanson, Council Liaison; Andy Schwartz, Pine River Sanitary District; Dawn Bittner, Zoning Specialist; and Lance Ray, Maintenance Worker

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Ronning called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Consider Agenda

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. COMMISSIONER SJOBLAD SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

3. Park Commission Minutes

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE APRIL 23, 2019, PARK COMMISSION MINUTES AS READ. COMMISSIONER K. CHURACK SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

4. Trailside Park Improvements

- a. Splash Pad Presentation
 - Jeff Corniea
 - Commercial Recreation Specialists
 - Vortex Splash Pads

Mr. Corniea gave an introduction of Commercial Recreation Specialists and what they do and his role with the company. Mr. Corniea described what is all included in their services. Mr. Corniea stated that a splash pad is an interactive zero depth aquatic attraction. Mr. Corniea described and showed a couple different options for the splash pad. Splash pads can be zoned by age appropriate sections for toddler through teens. Mr. Corniea stated that all features are stainless steel. Benefits of a splash pad are zero depth, interactive, inclusive and universal for all ages and abilities from toddlers to teens, simple to use as well as maintain, and water features bring communities together and environmental.

Chair Ronning asked if there is a restroom required near splash pads. Mr. Corniea stated that because this will be a fresh water, the restroom is not required, however the Department of Health recommends having a drinking fountain close to feature. Mr. Maher asked how the pad is laid, are there issues with cracking and what the maintenance of concrete would be. The splash pad consists of a 6 inch concrete slab with rebar. Mr. Corniea explained the warranty that Vortex Splash Pads offers as well as Commercial Recreation Specialists.

Mr. Corniea described the mechanical parts as well as the pros and cons of each option for the splash pad. Mr. Maher inquired on winterizing. Mr. Corniea stated that you would winterize the system like a sprinkler system and the systems are made for all weather conditions. Also, the features stay during the winter, however the ground sprays get covers. Chair Ronning inquired if the water can be drained into the storm sewer and what is the average usage for a 2,000 sq. ft. pad? Mr. Corniea stated there have been no issues with drainage into storm sewer. Average water usage would be 2 – 3 million gallons in a season.

b. Flag Display
Review City Council Discussion

Chair Ronning gave a brief on the directive of the City Council gave at the meeting on May 7, 2019. The City Council directed the Park Commission to find an alternate design for the flag display. Discussion ensued regarding different options on where and how to build the flag display.

5. Next Meeting

Chair Ronning asked if anyone would be absent from the June 13, 2019 meeting. All members in attendance will be at the June 13, 2019 meeting.

6. Other Business

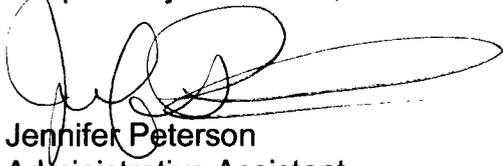
There was no other business.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, **COMMISSIONER JOHNSON MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER MAHER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Peterson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jennifer Peterson
Administrative Assistant