Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL. Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room A of the McFarland Municipal Center by chair Dan Kolk. Roll call: Kolk, O'Hearn, Rolfsmeyer, Ruecking, Schkirkie, Feldner. Absent: Tisue, Waldera

Staff present: Allan Coville, Jim Hessling, Phil McDade.

2. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES**. None.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**.

a. Approval of the June 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes. Motion by Rolfsmeyer, second by Kolk, to approve the meeting minutes. Approved on a unanimous voice vote.

4. **BUSINESS:**

a. **Introduction and discussion regarding the Community Recreation Coordinator Alisha Fix.** The committee reviewed with Fix programs offered through the McFarland School District community recreation department. The discussion focused on programming available for youngsters in the community, and touched on programs offered at the district indoor swimming pool. The committee also discussed with Fix upgrades to district baseball fields, the use of non-resident fees for programming, and exploring ways to provide information on recreation programs.

b. **Request from Flower Corner Representative to discuss two items:**

- Funding source for the purchase of flowers.
- Different watering option.

The committee discussed the difficulty of flower corner planters utilizing nearby water for planting and watering. The Flower Corner representatives said they also fell short of their fundraising target this year. The committee offered to explore financing options for the representatives through the Village budget.

c. **Discussion on the presence of mobile food courts in Village Parks.** The committee discussed a range of issues regarding food carts in village parks, including: length of licenses; the presence of food carts when park shelters have been reserved; large event gatherings; and locations where carts would be allowed. The Committee decided they did not want to change any policy or procedure at this point but would react to problems if they arose.

d. **Discussion and possible recommendation to Village Board to award Aquatic Study project.** After a discussion by Chair Kolk regarding the three different companies that were interviewed by Kolk and staff, Schkirkie made a motioned, and O'Hearn seconded, to recommend to the Village Board to award the aquatic study to a consortium of developers led by Ayres Associates. The three-tiered proposal would be led by Ayres, a civil engineering company, with additional work by Iconica (a Madison engineering and architecture firm) and Carrico Aquatic Resources Inc. Motion adopted unanimously by the committee.

e. **Recommendation for Polco item**. The committee was reminded of the Polco survey tool available to the Village. This survey tool provides the Village the opportunity to ask questions to the community which the Village Residents are then able to respond. The Committee discussed adding a question on the Polco survery related to the re-location of the train playground equipment which was previously staged at Discovery Garden but was removed when the new equipment was installed.

5. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE**

a. **Aug. 16, 2018 at 7 p.m.**

6. **ADJOURNMENT**. Rolfsmeyer moved, Feldner seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved unanimously at 8:41 p.m.