

LAKE/AIRPORT COMMITTEE

July 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dorchinecz
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Skultety

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alderman Budd

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Superintendent Bialas
Superintendent Newberry
Superintendent Speagle
Alderman Olive
Alderman Driskill
Alderman Bryant
Kellie Hamell
Jamie Headen

Traci Bentley
Ricki Peters
Darrin & Neysa Downs
Dwane Downs
Owen Lasswell
Bob Brandis
Gary Merker
Bud Altman
Doug Maxheimer
Jeff Keller
Terry Asbridge
Carol Endsley

Chairman Dorchinecz called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

MID-AMERICA SPORT PARACHUTE CLUB SPECIAL EVENT-AUGUST 16, 17 & 18 2019

Chairman Dorchinecz advised the Committee Mid-America Sport Parachute Club is requesting a Special Events Permit for the annual "Old Timers Boogie" to be held on August 16 - August 18, 2019 on Airport property.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Skultety to recommend to the City Council to approve the request and issue a Special Events Permit for Mid America Sport Parachute Club's "Old Timers Boogie" to be held on August 16 - August 18, 2019 on Airport property. Motion carried 3-0.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

AWOS

The AWOS display is not working; waiting for parts to come in, at no cost to the City.

Rotating Beacon

The Beacon has been repaired and the farmer has paid in full.

BIKE TRAIL SHELTER

Gary Merker addressed the Committee requesting permission to build a 12x16 bike trail shelter on the lot at the beginning of the bike trail located at 206 S. Paw Paw St. Mr. Merker advised this would be built at no cost to the City and would be a memorial to his late wife Michelle Merker. Chairman Dorchinecz informed Mr. Merker that Superintendent Wiseman would need to ensure there are no sewer lines where the structure would be built.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the request from Gary Merker to build a bike trail shelter on the lot located at 206 S. Paw Paw St., at no cost to the City. Motion carried 3-0.

BOAT HOUSE DOCK REQUEST-LAKE LOT 339

Ricki Peters addressed the Committee requesting permission to install a new top on an existing structure located at Lake Lot 339.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Skultety to recommend to the City Council to approve the request to allow Ricki Peters to install a new top on the existing boat house dock located at Lake Lot 339. Motion carried 3-0.

IDNR BOAT ACCESS AREA DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Chairman Dorchinecz stated that he spoke with Greg Hillis from Benton & Associates and he was informed that the amount of money for this grant has been significantly reduced and there would only be three grants available this year. There is a fee of \$2,000.00 to apply for the grant. Chairman Dorchinecz advised that he does not recommend the City to apply for this grant.

DREDGE LAKE TAYLORVILLE

Chairman Dorchinecz presented a list of several ideas that could be implemented to begin to generate funds to pay for the dredging of Lake Taylorville.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to forward the suggested ideas for generating revenues to fund the dredging of Lake Taylorville to the Finance Committee for their recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

LAKE TAYLORVILLE STRUCTURE 1 & 2 PL-566 STRUCTURE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

Chairman Dorchinecz informed the Committee that the reports of the O & M inspections of structures 1 & 2 are in and it is noted that structure 2 has accumulated a significant amount of trash and debris. It is recommended that the City remove the debris. Superintendent Bialas advised that the Lake Department would be able to cut down trees on the banks and remove the debris, but the City would have to pay to have the area sprayed for vegetation and brush control. Ferrill's Ag Management LLC provided a quote of \$5,640.00 to spray; this is the same amount they charged last year.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Skultety to recommend to the City Council to allow Ferrill's Ag Management LLC to spray the required areas for vegetation and brush control at a cost not to exceed \$5,640.00 and allow the Lake Department to cut down trees on the banks and remove the accumulated debris. Motion carried 3-0.

IDNR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT (OSLAD) AND LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF) GRANTS

Chairman Dorchinecz advised the application fee for this grant is \$5,000.00 and this is a 50/50 matching grant. Chairman Dorchinecz does not recommend that the City apply for this grant.

PROCEDURE FOR NEW BOAT DOCKS & SKI LIFT (INCLUDING NEW APPLICATION)

Chairman Dorchinecz presented a draft list of application requirements to be submitted for building or alteration of a boat dock, boat house, ski lift or any other improvement. One item listed on the draft is requiring the applicant's social security number. Alderman Burtle advised he would like this to be removed from the application.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Skultety to recommend to the City Council to forward the suggested application for the construction of any boat dock, boat house, ski lift or any other improvements or alteration to the City Attorney and the City Council for their recommendations. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION RE: BLADDERS IN BOAT THAT MAKES BIGGER WAVES

Darin Downs informed the Committee that he was told that he was no longer allowed to run his ballast pumps on Lake Taylorville due to complaints the Superintendent received and erosion of the Lake. Mr. Downs explained that running a ballast pump is no different than having 5 or 6 people in the back of a boat or a large heavy boat on the water. Mr. Downs stated that he runs these pumps when his wife is wakesurfing and the water is only deep enough in the North part of the lake for her to do this, and the boat speed is only between 10-12 mph. Mr. Downs contacted several lakes in the area and none of them have ballast restrictions. There is currently no Ordinance on ballast restrictions on Lake Taylorville. Ordinance 7-2-2 Section C states "No

waterskiing or surfboard riding is permitted within two hundred feet of the shoreline.” Mr. Downs was advised he can continue to use his ballast pumps as long as he is 200 ft. off the shoreline. If there are any future complaints on this matter is would be addressed at that time.

LAKE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Beach was closed for 2 weeks due to high bacteria levels and reopened July 2nd.
- Due to rain in the forecast, the fireworks were set off 30 minutes early on July 4th.
- Main Dam Inspection has been completed; reports are not back yet.

Motion by Alderman Skultety and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Ernie Dorchinecz, Chairman
Lake/Airport Committee