



**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that there will be a City of Lodi Parks Commission meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:30 pm in Room 203, City Hall, 130 South Main Street, Lodi, WI.

**Parks Commission Agenda**

1. Call To Order
2. Public Input
3. Minutes Of Park Commission Meeting 02/19/2019

Documents:

[2-19-2019 MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. Review Restructure Of Park Commission To Parks Committee

Documents:

[PRESENTATION PAGE.PDF](#)  
[FINAL CH 30 COMMITTEES.PDF](#)

5. Flood Report On Parks Damage And Future Damage Repair
6. Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation
7. Earth Day
8. Dog Park
9. Kohn Park
10. Suggested Items For Next Agenda
11. Adjourn

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

To ensure a quorum, please inform the chair if you are unable to attend.

**City of Lodi Park Commission  
Minutes of February 18, 2019**

Present: Welch, Bilkey, Heal, Seaton, Hossman, Van Ness, Miller  
Absent: Goeres, Kelsey-Kloberdanz, Ness  
Others: Julie Ostrander

1. Call to Order. Van Ness called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. Public Input. None

6. Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. The agenda was re-arranged without objection. Paul Skidmore presented his Table 3 Park Land Summary data, Table 5, Park Land Needs data and a map of the city, Existing Parks and School Recreation Areas with proposed trail systems. A proposed action plan was also presented. The park land summary showed current park acreage, type of park and which ones were active versus passive. Corrections were made including the removal Columbia Park as this is still owned by the school district. Table 5 showed the 2019 acreage needs based on population and the 2025 acreage needs. This 5 year inclusion is important as it is a component of a 5-year plan. When school recreation areas are entered into the mix we have a surplus of approximately 14.3 acres of active use park land. He then went over the proposed action plan. Some corrections were made to the existing and proposed trail system maps, specifically the removal of Columbia Park and corrections to the various names of the schools since there had been changes since the map was produced by MSA. The map includes the Ice Age Tai and extensions, the proposed walkway from downtown to the west side of the city and the Spring Creek Trail system. He also had some spurs to these trails he would like to incorporate into the final plan. He will be in contact when the next stage is ready.

3. Minutes of 11/19/2018. **Motion** (Bilkey/Welch) to approve the minutes of 11/19/2018. Motion carried.

4. Minutes of 12/18/2018. **Motion** (Bilkey/Welch) to approve the minutes of 12/18/2018. Motion carried.

5. Request for Approval from OccuPaws to Reserve Park and Shelter. **Motion** (Welch/Bilkey) to approve OccuPaw's request for 8/9/2019 and 8/18/2019 shelter and park reservation dates. Motion carried.

7. Resolution 19-09 Regarding Gifts to the City of Lodi Park System. **Motion** (Bilkey/Welch) to recommend approval of Resolution 19-09 to the Common Council. Welch corrected language regarding the Friends of the Scenic Lodi Valley gift to remove the word "sign". Motion carried as corrected.

8. City Staff Recommendations to Common Council includes Dissolution of Parks Commission and Utilities Commission. Ostrander reported that these changes came about because the flow of information to the council regarding agenda items was not arriving in time for the council to make informed decisions. The council was offered 3 options regarding the Parks Commission:

leave it as is; a committee made up of some members of the parks commission and 3 members of the council; or dissolve the parks commission entirely and form a committee made up of 3 council members. In all three cases, the committee would report to the Public Works Committee. Ostrander went on to say that in actuality the commission is not a commission because we don't have a checking account or run our own budget. This means that no matter the outcome we would be a committee. Van Ness reported that she would be addressing the council the next night and asked for input on what should be said. Those messages included all of the volunteer hours put in, projects accomplished, the feeling of ownership of our parks, and the historical value of the Parks Commission itself.

9. Trees in Goeres Park. Approximately 10 trees had to be removed from Goeres Park, west side of creek, as they were ash trees and an oak was dead. Van Ness suggested that it would be a good idea to wait to see if the trees needed to be re-planted. The area around the shelter is usually wet and has mosquitoes so that the additional sunlight might be a good this for the area.

10. Susie the Duck Basket. Tim Escher came to the city to say that the base of the basket facing the current of Spring Creek has worn away and he would like to repair it. The Optimists would help. Parks members thought it was a great idea and welcomed the help.

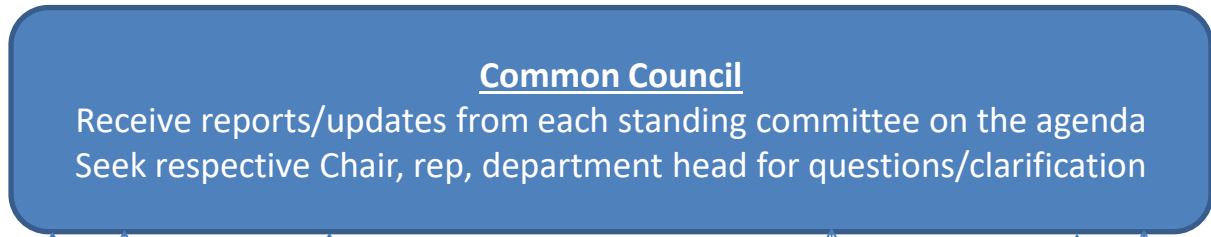
11. Dog Park Discussion. No report.

12. Kohn Park Discussion. No report.

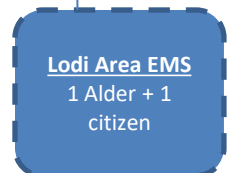
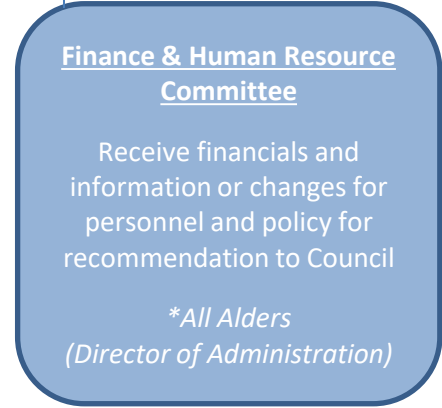
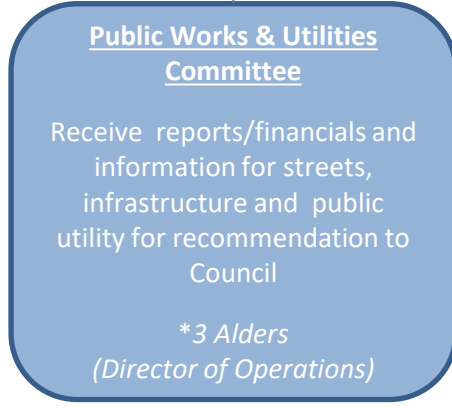
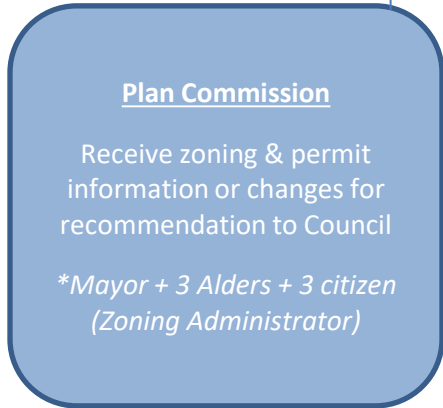
13. Suggested Items for the Next Agenda. Earth Day Committee and possible ways to form friends groups for each park in the city.

14. **Motion** (Miller/Bilkey) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. These minutes have not been approved and are subject to change or correction.

Adele M. Van Ness  
President, Lodi Parks Commission



*\*Add standing committee reports to Council agenda*



*\*Chair and staff collaborate to finalize meeting agenda items  
 \*Items may require multiple committees for recommendation*

## **ORDINANCE A-535**

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 ENTITLED COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI CODE OF ORDINANCES**

The Common Council of the City of Lodi, Columbia County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain the following additions and deletions to Chapter 30:

#### **30-3 Committees.**

- A. Standing committees. There shall be the following standing committees of the Council to be appointed by the Mayor annually at the time of the organization of the Council, which shall have such duties and responsibilities as the Mayor shall from time to time prescribe:
- (1) **Public Works and Utilities.** The Public Works and Utilities Committee provides oversight of the City's infrastructure and utilities. This encompasses everything physical including but not limited to buildings, improvements, streets, lands, storm water and wastewater systems, and water and electric utility. The committee shall perform the duties of the Board of Public Works as found in § 12-2 of this Code. The committee shall provide oversight to the operation of the municipal public utility pursuant to Wis Stats 66.0805(6). The Mayor shall appoint three members of the Common Council subject to confirmation by the Common Council.
  - (2) **Finance and Human Resources.** The Finance and Human Resources Committee provides oversight of the financial processes of the City. This encompasses reviewing and making recommendations to the Common Council on the City budgets, borrowing, developing financial policies, providing oversight on contracts, insurance and licensing issues. The committee also provides oversight of the human resources functions of the City. This encompasses but is not limited to reviewing and developing policy on issues affecting City employees such as compensation systems, benefits and employee relations. The Finance and Human Resources Committee shall be comprised of all six members of the Common Council.
  - (3) **Economic Development.** The Economic Development Committee provides oversight and makes recommendations on policies and programs for the economic development of the City. This encompasses but is not limited to revolving loan funds, Community Development Block Grant program compliance, grant programs within and outside of the City, within the County, and other programs that assist in the development of the local economy. The Economic Development Committee will also review and make recommendations relating to Tax Incremental Financing (TIF/TID) projects for the City. The Mayor shall appoint three members of the Common Council subject to confirmation by the Common Council.
  - (4) **Public Safety.** The Public Safety Committee provides oversight of the public safety of the City, and shall receive reports relating to the Building Code, the Police Department, Lodi Area Fire, Lodi Area EMS, Joint Municipal Court and public safety issues outside of the purview of the Police, Fire and EMS Commissions. The Mayor shall appoint three members of the Common Council to the Public Safety Committee subject to confirmation by the Common Council.

- (5) Parks. The Parks Committee provides oversight to the management, control, improvement and care of all public parks and parkways within the City of Lodi. It shall also oversee the planting and maintenance of all trees and shrubbery in the street areas, parkways and tree lanes in the City. The Mayor shall appoint three members of the Common Council to the Parks Committee and four citizen members subject to confirmation by the Common Council.
- B. Special committees. The Mayor may establish by Resolution such special or Ad Hoc committees as deemed appropriate.

Effective Date. The Ordinance shall be effective the day after publication.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Lodi, Wisconsin, on this 5th day of March, 2019, on a roll call vote:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
James W. Ness, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dawn A. Collins, City Clerk