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## COMMITTEE ON PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Tuesday, May 13, 2008 – 9:00 a.m.  
Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

### MINUTES

#### Scheduled Items:

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chairperson) – 7

#### Appointments - 2

1. 08-173 From the County Executive appointing Ms. Sue Black to the position of Director, Department of Parks Recreation and Culture.

#### **Appearances:**

Thomas Nardelli, County Executive Chief of Staff  
Sue Black, Director, Parks Recreation and Culture  
Supervisor John Weishan, District 16

Mr. Nardelli relayed the County Executive's regrets for not being able to attend the meeting. The Chief of Staff talked highly of Ms. Black and appreciates all her endeavors to make the Parks run better.

Supervisor Weishan suggested that this appointment be laid over to the June cycle pending a Department staffing plan from the Director. He feels it is important to get this plan now, whereby it can be compared to the budget request for 2009.

**MOTION BY:** (Coggs) Approve appointment. (Vote 7-0)

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

2. 08-83 From the County Executive, appointing Mr. James C. Villa to serve on the Milwaukee Public Museum Board of Directors for a term expiring January 1, 2011. (3/08 lay on the table.) (Withdrawal of appointment from County Executive.)

#### **Appearance:**

William Domina, Corporation Counsel

Scheduled Items (Continued):

In light of the request for withdrawal of the appointment, Corporation Counsel gave the proper wording for the motion.

**MOTION BY: (Rice)** Withdraw from the table and receive and place on file.  
**(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

Milwaukee Public Museum - 2

3. 08-R05 An opinion from Corporation Counsel, regarding the Milwaukee Public Museum's (MPM) request for approval of amendments to the By-Laws of the Milwaukee Public Museum as proposed by the Board of Directors. **(Corporation Counsel's response to File 08-95.) (Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearances:**

Thomas Frenn, Counsel for Milwaukee Public Museum

William Domina, Corporation Counsel

Michael Bernatz, Chief Financial Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum

Mr. Domina stated for the Committee that none of the proposed changes have an adverse affect on Milwaukee County.

Supervisor Rice questioned the validity of Article 10 being included in the By-Laws. Corporation Counsel stated that once the guarantee was satisfied, the Museum Oversight Committee ceased therefore, the article requirements have been met and falls off the By-Laws.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

4. 08-95 From the President/CEO of the Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM) requesting approval of amendments to the By-Laws of the Milwaukee Public Museum as proposed by the Board of Directors. **(3/6/08 Sent to Corporation Counsel for an opinion with report for the May 08 cycle.)**

**Appearances:**

Thomas Frenn, Counsel for Milwaukee Public Museum

William Domina, Corporation Counsel

Michael Bernatz, Chief Financial Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum

Supervisor Dimitrijevic wants assurance that without the Museum Oversight Committee's review, the Museum wouldn't get into the same problems as before.

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

Mr. Frenn said that the quarterly reports are now being sent to the Milwaukee County Audit Department. This wasn't done for the last three years. The makeup of the Museum Board has been changed whereby it is modeled similar to a private corporation structure with closer overview by the board.

Ms. Esch also clarified that the Museum does give quarterly presentations for the Committee on its financial outlook.

Mr. Frenn explained the need for confidential contracts on special exhibits due to the leasing to both nonprofit and for profit organizations.

**MOTION BY: (Rice) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

**UW Extension - 2**

5. 08-193 From the Director, UW Extension, requesting implementing the annual contract between Milwaukee County and the University of Wisconsin-Extension for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

**Appearance:**

Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Director, UW Extension

Eloise Gomez, Director UW Extension

Supervisor Coggs would like to be provided further information on items in your report including: working with poverty, furnishing your own food, and jobless rates regarding African American men. Additionally, provide her with the members of UW Extension staff administrator, mid and lower management, by gender and ethnicity. Lastly, include a list of sites of 4H Clubs. At a later date follow up on issues regarding Alice Garden maintenance and cleanup.

**MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

6. 08-R07 From the Director, UW Extension, a report on the 2007 end of year statistics, issue statements for community input and community input for the vacant Community Natural Resources and Economic Development position.  
**(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearance:**

Eloise Gomez, Director UW Extension

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

Ms. Gomez gave an overview of the 20 different programs offered throughout the community by the UW Extension.

Supervisor Sanfelippo would like the Extension to enhance efforts to get the word out on programs offered. He would also like to see more details on any solutions implemented regarding the problems listed in the reports.

Ms. Gomez informed the Committee that the Milwaukee Extension is the largest out of 72 branches in the state. Any issues included in the report are an initial effort and they will seek more input from the community. As always her department would be happy to meet with any Supervisor and provide a tour.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

**Sheriff – 1**

7. 08-R10 From the Milwaukee County Office of the Sheriff and update on the Target Enforcement Unit (TEU) program in Milwaukee County Parks. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearance:**

Kevin Carr, Inspector Office of the Sheriff

Inspector Carr updated the Committee on the TEU staffing plans. He also explained the seven zones that the Park system is broken down into. Each park will have a presence daily. Primary and secondary parks have a history of disturbances and will be patrolled more frequently. The intent of the Unit is to establish relationships with the different park users.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

**Zoo - 2**

8. 08-194 From the Director, Zoo, requesting authorization to execute a contract with ScooterBug, Inc. to furnish strollers and manual wheelchairs for three years with a two-year renewable extension.

**MOTION BY: (Rice) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic\*, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

\*Supervisor Dimitrijevic was not in the room at the time of the vote. She asked for unanimous consent to be recorded as voting Aye noting that her vote wouldn't change the outcome. Being no objection, it was so ordered.

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

9. 05-198 From Director, Zoo, requesting approval to amend an adopted resolution for  
(a)(a) a professional services contract with Robert Zigman Marketing for booking of the entertainment at Milwaukee a la Carte 2005 and 2006 to include an option to extend the contract for a 24-month period.

**Appearance:**

Vera Westphal, Deputy Director, Zoo

Ms. Westphal explained this request was from the Department of Administrative Services.

**MOTION BY: (Coggs) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic\*, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

**EXCUSED:** 0

\*Supervisor Dimitrijevic was not in the room at the time of the vote. She asked for unanimous consent to be recorded as voting Aye noting that her vote wouldn't change the outcome. Being no objection, it was so ordered.

**Parks – 10**

10. 08-R11 From the President of the Parks People, Deb Lukovich, a verbal presentation giving an overview of the organization. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearance:**

Deb Lukovich, President, Parks People

*This Item was taken out of order.*

Ms. Lukovich spoke to the Committee about their goals to give ownership and accountability to citizens. They offer ongoing support to assist all Friends Groups to tell their story and reach their goals.

On November 8, 2008 they will be hosting their third gala featuring local celebrity John McGivern and national celebrity Jayne Kaczmarek.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

11. 08-1 A fund transfer referred back March 20, 2008 to the Committees on Parks and Finance and Audit regarding the MMSD Tree Replacement Trust Fund. **(Also to Finance and Audit Committee.) (Recommendation: Approval to the Finance and Audit Committee.)**

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

**Appearances:**

Josh Fudge, Budget Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

Mr. Fudge gave clarity on the use of monies from the Trust Fund.

**MOTION BY: (Coggs)** Approve to Finance and Audit. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

12. 08-R08 From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, a report on a database for current tenant lease contract review and renewals. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearances:**

Sue Black, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture

Elroy Schneider, Parks Contract Service Officer

Ms. Black explained how Mr. Schneider pulled together all the contracts administered by the Parks.

Mr. Schneider provided input regarding the listing provided. This shows all renewal/lapse dates with insight into the agency and location of the leased property. As the contracts come up for renewal, rate changes in line with the Consumer Product Index (CPI), will be applied as well as the lessee assuming utility charges if not done previously. Additionally, it may be in the best interest of Milwaukee County to issue Requests for Proposals to optimize facilities and services well in advance of the lease renewal date.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

13. 08-181 From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, requesting authorization to solicit a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an exclusive food and alcoholic beverage catering concession at the Mitchell Park Domes for an initial five year term with an option of two, two-year extensions.

**Appearance:**

Sandy Folaron, Director, Mitchell Park Domes

Ms. Folaron informed the Committee that a transitional contract was instituted in light of the three-month closure of the Domes for a major lighting project.

**MOTION BY: (Sanfelippo)** Approve **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

14. 08-182 From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, requesting authorization to solicit a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an exclusive food and beverage concession at the North Point Snack Bar for an initial five year term with an option of two, two-year extensions.

**Appearance:**

Elroy Schneider, Parks Contract Service Officer

Items 14 and 15 were taken together.

Discussion ensued regarding the use of outside vendors, long term contracts and the best service and staffing.

**MOTION BY: (Rice)** Approve Items 14 and 15 together. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

15. 08-183 From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, requesting authorization to solicit a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the operation vendor at the Bradford Beach House for an initial five year term with an option of two, two-year extensions.

**See Item 14 for Committee Actions.**

16. 07-379 (a) **Adopted Budget Amendment 1A065** directing the Parks Director to report back to the County Board with a 2008 wading pool schedule prior to the opening of the aquatics season. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearance:**

Joe Roszak, Parks Aquatics and Recreation Center Manager

This report includes deep well pools. The scheduling will be flexible weather dependent.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

17. 08-184 From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, requesting authorization to approve and finalize a mutually beneficial agreement between Milwaukee County and the Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD), for the transfer of 16.39 acres of Milwaukee County owned Underwood Creek Parkway and granting Underwood Creek Parkway permanent easement interests totaling approximately 0.73 acres to MMSD required for MMSD to construct the Underwood Creek Restoration and Flood Management Watercourse Improvements Project and the Milwaukee County Grounds Floodwater

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

Management Facility-Structures and Tunnel Project, and granting permanent and temporary easement interests totaling approximately 1.07 acres in Jackson Park to MMSD for MMSD to construct the South 41<sup>st</sup> Street Relief Sewer Project in exchange MMSD will transfer three separate parcels of land totaling 75.14 acres to the Milwaukee County Department of Parks Recreation and Culture for inclusion to the Oak Creek Parkway recreation corridor. **(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development.)**

**Appearance:**

Kevin Haley, Parks Landscape Architect

This is a land swap that results in Milwaukee County receiving parkland in Oak Creek that fits well with existing Park property. MMSD will receive minimal land and easements to complete their storm water projects.

*The Committee on Economic and Community Development at their meeting on May 12, 2008 approved File numbers 08-184 and 08-185 (vote 7-0).*

**MOTION BY: (Lipscomb) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

18. 08-185 From Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture and Director, Economic and Community Development, DAS, requesting authorization for the transfer of several parcels of County-owned land currently under the jurisdiction of Department of Administrative Services – Economic and Community Development Division to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture. **(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development)**

**Appearance:**

Kevin Haley, Parks Landscape Architect

Mr. Haley told the Committee this is a straightforward jurisdictional transfer of land within Milwaukee County. These are parcels of land that the Department of Economic and Community Development were unable to sell or too small for development.

**MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve (Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

19. 07-111 (a) A. From the Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture, a status report on the implementation of the Green Print resolution provision within the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearances:**

Chuck Ward, Parks, Chief of Operations  
James Keegan, Parks, Chief of Planning, Policy and Partnerships  
Greg High, Director, Architecture Engineering and Environmental Services  
Vince Masterson, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, DAS

*Both Items 19A and B were taken out of order.*

Mr. Ward gave an overview of areas the Department is applying the Green Print legislation. These areas include: storm water management, Bradford Beach runoff, Domes lighting, green house construction, reuse of water in the splash pads, reduced use of road salt, watershed trust partners, golf course low flow heads, recycling, DNR grants, natural areas, gray water, renewable energy, hi-bred vehicles and education of staff. The department is committed to environmental awareness and marketing efforts to keep it green.

A discussion ensued regarding the benefits and overall cost of the energy performance contracts. Mr. Masterson clarified for the Committee that the funding for these contracts is through a third party loan, not bond financing.

Both Supervisors Rice and Sanfelippo want the departments to evaluate and monitor the lifespan of the equipment verses the overall cost. This needs to be reviewed prior to a project being implemented.

For the June cycle, Supervisor Dimitrijevic would like an update on issues giving more details on the savings recapture. In future updates include more detailed plans on projects involving the returning of areas to natural lands and cost savings associated with decreased grass mowing. Also give the Committee a status report on your progress on recycling plans.

**The Committee took no action on this item.**

- B. From the Director, Transportation and Public Works, a status report on the implementation of the Green Print resolution provision within the Department of Transportation and Public Works. **(Also to the Committee on Transportation, Public Works and Transit.) (Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)**

**Appearance:**

Greg High, Director, Architecture Engineering and Environmental Services

**Scheduled Items (Continued):**

Mr. High relayed Director Torres' commitment to the Green Print legislation.

Mr. High will meet with Supervisor Dimitrijevic to update the report and submit a revised report for the June cycle. He did say that the department will report back annually on energy savings.

**MOTION BY: (Dimitrijevic)** The Department of Transportation and Public Works will submit a revised report back for the June cycle. **(Vote 7-0)**

**AYES:** Sanfelippo, Coggs, Dimitrijevic, Rice, Larson, Lipscomb and Broderick (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** - 0

This meeting was recorded. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes, along with the audio recording of this meeting, are available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

The Committee adjourned at approximately 11:10 a.m.

Carol Mueller, Committee Clerk

Staff Present:

Mr. Thomas Nardelli, County Executive Chief of Staff

Supervisor John Weishan, District 16

Ms. Sue Black, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture

Mr. William Domina, Corporation Counsel

Ms. Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Director, UW Extension

Ms. Eloise Gomez, Director, UW Extension

Mr. Kevin Carr, Inspector, Office of the Sheriff

Mr. Greg High, Director, Architecture Engineering and Environmental Services

Mr. Chuck Ward, Parks Chief of Operations

Ms. Vera Westphal, Deputy Director, Zoo

Mr. Josh Fudge, Parks Budget Manager

Mr. Elroy Schneider, Parks Contract Service Officer

Ms. Sandy Folaron, Director Mitchell Park Domes

Mr. Kevin Haley, Parks, Planning and Development

Mr. James Keegan, Parks, Chief of Planning, Policy and Partnerships

Ms. Julie Esch, Research Analyst

**DEADLINE FOR THE PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:**

The deadline for agenda items for the next regular meeting (June 17, 2008) is

**Tuesday, June 3, 2008.**

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