



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes

### Board of Park Commissioners

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Thursday, September 21, 2017

5:30 PM

Black River Beach Neighborhood Center  
1433 Rose Street  
La Crosse WI 54603

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**Approved at the October 19, 2017 Park Board Meeting.**

Call to Order: Paul Medinger, Jim Webb, Sandra Cleary, Eileen Kirsch and Ashley Skoczynski.

Excused: Mark Terpstra, Marvin Wanders and Todd Olson.

Motion by Sandra Cleary, second by Jacqueline Marcou to approve the August 17, 2017 Minutes. (Unanimous)

#### **Agenda Items:**

[17-1341](#) Update Louis Ferris WWI Memorial at Veteran's Freedom Park.

Dedication date for the WWI Memorial will be October 25th, 2017. A press release with more detailed information will be sent out closer to the event date. Louis Ferris also updated the board on a possible Vietnam Memorial in the works with several interested parties. The Park Board thanked Louie for coming in. No action needed by the Park Board.

[17-0598](#) Hatched Baby Sculpture Placement

Update by Robin Moses of suggested locations by the Arts Board. John Satory representing the International German group reviewed some artist information. The board had mixed reactions about the sculpture and was undecided about placement of the sculpture. No action taken by the Park Board. Discussion only.

[17-1342](#) Approval to accept and install a bike Fixit station at entrance to Bud Hendrickson trail. Mr. Mario Youakim will gift the bike Fixit station to the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.

Motion by Eileen Kirsch, second by Jacqueline Marcou to accept and install a bike Fixit station at the entrance of the Bud Hendrickson trail. (Unanimous)

[17-1343](#) Approve fundraiser for La Crosse Soup Organization at Myrick Park October 10, 2017 and to waive the rental fee.

Motion by Jacqueline Marcou, second by Sandra Cleary to approve the Soup Fundraiser at Myrick Park on October 10, 2017 and to waive the fee. The vote was 5-1 with Jacqueline Marcou, Sandra Cleary, Jim Webb, Paul Medinger and Eileen Kirsch voting yes and Ashley Skoczynski abstaining.

[17-1344](#) Approval Crowley Park landscaping project on behalf of Grandview-Emerson Neighborhood Association.

Motion by Jim Webb, second by Ashley Skoczynski to approve the landscaping project on behalf of the Grandview-Emerson Neighborhood Association at Crowley Park. (Unanimous)

[17-1345](#) Discussion La Crosse Municipal Boat Harbor Association concerns.

There was a large group of La Crosse Boat Harbor Association members that attended the Park Board Meeting. Dennis Smalley distributed and reviewed a list of concerns put together by the Harbor Association members. List of concerns are attached. The board thanked the group for attending and noted they will continue to gather information and keep in mind the groups concerns as the La Crosse Boat Harbor bankruptcy process moves forward. This agenda item was noted to be placed again on the October Park Board agenda.

[17-1346](#) Approval to construct a GaGa pit in Weigent Park and accept a donation of equipment to the City of La Crosse Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department from the Blessed Sacrament Girl Scout Troop 4651.

Motion by Jim Webb, second by Eileen Kirsch to approve the construction of a GaGa pit in Weigent Park and accept the donation of equipment from the Blessed Sacrament Girl Scout Troop 4651. (Unanimous)

[17-1347](#) Resolution approving lease with WisCorps Inc. for Myrick Park Center.

Motion by Eileen Kirsch, second by Jacqueline Marcou to recommend moving forward the Wiscorps lease agreement for the Myrick Park Center. (Unanimous)

[17-1348](#) Approval of the concept for a Burns Park remodel and playground addition.

Motion by Paul Medinger, second by Jacqueline Marcou to approve the concept for Burns Park remodel and playground addition. (Unanimous)

[17-1355](#) Appoint negotiating representatives from Park Board to enter into formal discussions about partnership between City of La Crosse and UWL to construct 16 Collegiate tennis courts at Forest Hills.

Motion by Eileen Kirsch, second by Jim Webb to appoint Sandra Cleary and Ashley Skoczynski as negotiating representatives to enter into formal discussions about a partnership between the City of La Crosse and UWL to construct Collegiate tennis courts at Forest Hills. (Unanimous)

Adjournment-Next Park Board Meeting October 19, 2017.

*Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.*

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