



# 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 19, 2019

5:30 PM

Common Council Chambers

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#### Call to Order

*Board President Paul Medinger called the meeting to order at 5:31p.m. as presiding officer.*

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 7 - Paul Medinger, Jim Webb, Roger Christians, Robert Young, Eileen Kirsch, Todd Olson, Ashley Skoczynski  
**Excused:** 2 - Marvin Wanders, Sandy Cleary

#### Others Present

*Jake Hesse, Chris Hofland, Bruce Nordeen, Chip Backlund, Linda Lee, Royce Ruffing, Adam Francis, Kandice Newton, Rhiannoh Meulenbelt, Kaitlyn Sankey, Kari Draheim, Larry Baeder, Robert Richardson, Robin Moses, and Jim Berge*

#### Approval of Minutes

*A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Kirsch, to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2019 meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.*

#### Agenda Items:

#### Motion to open Public Hearing

*A motion was made by Webb, seconded by Christians, to open the Public Hearing. The motion carried by voice vote.*

#### [19-1362](#)

Request to place 'Hate Has No Home Here' signs in Weigent Park, submitted by Linda Lee on behalf of the neighborhood association.

**A motion was made by Webb, seconded by Kirsch, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

#### [19-1363](#)

Request to use Hixon Trails and Mathey Quarry Trails, with fee waived, for the Hixon Trail Runs on October 26 & 27, 2019 submitted by the Hixon 50.

**A motion was made by Kirsch, seconded by Olson, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

[19-1380](#) Request to proceed with fundraising for the proposed Veterans Freedom Park Recreation Center.

**A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Kirsch, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

[19-1388](#) Request to apply for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Grant funding.

**A motion was made by Kirsch, seconded by Young, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

[19-1394](#) Request to use Civic Center Park for Artists Demonstrations & Displays on October 12, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. submitted by Downtown Mainstreet, Inc.

**A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Kirsch, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

[19-1397](#) Request to administratively handle Annual Community Event Park, Shelter & Trail Request terms and conditions submitted by Park & Recreation staff.

**A motion was made by Young, seconded by Kirsch, that this Request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.**

[19-1387](#) Update on the La Crosse Center Expansion plans.

*Item Referred to a later date; to be determined.*

[19-1365](#) Discussion regarding a task force to address the increased illegal activity in City parks.

### **Motion to close Public Hearing**

*A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Kirsch, to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried by voice vote.*

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### **Adjournment**

*A motion was made by Kirsch, seconded by Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.*

**A motion was made by Kirsch, seconded by Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.**

*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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