

**Parks and Recreation Board  
of the City of Onalaska**

Monday, January 28, 2019

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1 The Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board of the City of Onalaska was called to order at 5:15  
2 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019 at City Hall. It was noted that the meeting had been  
3 announced and a notice posted at City Hall.

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5 Roll call was taken with the following members present: Ald. Jim Binash, Dan Stevens, Andrea  
6 Benco, Brian Udermann, Dennis Aspenson

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8 Also Present: City Administrator Eric Rindfleisch, Parks and Recreation Director Dan Wick,  
9 Park Maintenance Supervisor Mark Hanson, Recreation Supervisor Kraig Koelbl, Parks and  
10 Recreation Department intern Angela George

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12 Excused Absences: Steven Nott, Ohbe Johnson

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14 **Item 2 – Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

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16 Motion by Andrea, second by Dan Stevens, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as  
17 printed and on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

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19 On voice vote, motion carried.

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21 **Item 3 – Public Input (Limited to 3 minutes/individual)**

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23 Dennis called three times for anyone wishing to provide public input and closed that portion of  
24 the meeting.

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26 **Consideration and possible action on the following items:**

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28 **Item 4 – Projects at Great River Landing**

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30 a. Dock configuration

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32 Dan Wick told board members he has been working with a local dock company on different dock  
33 layouts for the Great River Landing. Dan reminded board members that funds are set aside in  
34 the 2019 budget – specifically, the Tourism account – to construct docks at the Great River  
35 Landing. Dan referred to the attachments included in board members’ packets and noted the  
36 following:

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38 • **Option 1:** This option calls for a small dock with a kayak launch, and also an L-shaped  
39 dock – two separate systems.

40 • **Option 2:** This option calls for one larger L-shaped dock configuration.

41 • **Option 3:** This option calls for an L-shaped dock configuration that would be slightly

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42 larger than Option 2.

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44 Dan referred to a photograph of the Great River Landing showing an area where docks  
45 potentially could be installed. Dan reiterated Option 1 would consist of two small docks and said  
46 his goal is to install one of the three options in 2019 at the Great River Landing.

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48 Andrea asked which option would provide the most linear space for boats or fishermen.

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50 Dan Wick said both Option 2 and Option 3 would provide the longest linear feet going out.

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52 Andrea asked, "If you went around the two sides of the two docks in Option 1, that is less space  
53 than the sides on [Option] 2 or [Option] 3?"

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55 Dan Wick addressed the dock with the side kayak launch that is part of Option 1 and said all of  
56 the space on one side would be lost because of the launch.

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58 Brian asked if price is a substantial consideration.

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60 Dan Wick said based on what has been budgeted, "any one of these options would work." Dan  
61 addressed Option 2 and Option 3 and told board members the city will not need to obtain a  
62 permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources if certain criteria are met. One  
63 condition is the end of the dock may not be in a depth that exceeds 3 feet. Dan said questions  
64 could be raised regarding whether Option 2 and Option 3 are going too far out in the water.

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66 Dennis asked where the docks would be positioned.

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68 Dan Wick said the docks would be pulled out every winter and reinstalled in the spring. Dan  
69 also said an exact location has not been selected, noting the Three Rivers Roleo is held in the  
70 area where the docks are laid out. Dan told board members he would work with the dock  
71 company, Mark and Parks Department staff on determining an exact location. Dan said he  
72 would want the dock with the kayak launch close to the house where the kayaks are stored.

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74 Dennis asked where the Fire Department wants to launch its boat.

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76 Dan Wick said he told Fire Chief Billy Hayes the Fire Department's boat could be launched from  
77 the site if there were an emergency.

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79 Dennis asked if a pathway to access the dock area will be created.

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81 Dan Wick said that topic has been discussed.

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83 Mark pointed out an area on the photograph that he described as being “pretty hard and sandy,”  
84 and he also pointed out an area “that is more muck.” Mark pointed out a 100-foot area that has  
85 firm ground comprised of sand and gravel, and he said he believes boats had been launched from  
86 this site in the past.

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88 Dennis asked Mark to point out on the map a pathway that used to be sized as a boat landing.

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90 Mark pointed out the area, and he said the Fire Department has a key to a gate in this area that  
91 would allow firefighters to back in and launch its boat.

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93 Dan Stevens asked if the smaller docks would be conducive to hosting the Three Rivers Roleo.

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95 Dan Wick said Three Rivers Roleo representatives would prefer to see two docks constructed so  
96 the boom run can be held. Dan said the docks may be added to as they are a modular system,  
97 noting they may be snapped together.

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99 Brian said he favors Option 3, noting he has seen fishermen in this area and stating he believes  
100 this option would be utilized extensively. Brian also said he believes it would be prudent to  
101 construct the largest dock possible, provided there is sufficient funding available.

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103 Dennis asked if the Fire Department wants to have its own dock.

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105 Dan Wick said no, telling Dennis the Fire Department has never requested a dock; rather, the  
106 department simply wants to have a place to put a boat in the water if need be.

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108 Dennis asked if perhaps a grant could be obtained by forming a partnership with the Fire  
109 Department.

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111 Dan Wick said, “We could see if they have something available.”

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113 Dennis asked if perhaps there might be some funding available through the Wisconsin DNR.

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115 Dan Wick said Wisconsin DNR funding is very limited.

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117 Dennis asked if Parks and Recreation applies for grants yearly.

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119 Dan Wick said, “If we have projects that meet them, yes,” adding Parks and Recreation works  
120 with Planning Manager Katie Aspenson on forestry grants. Dan said Parks and Recreation has  
121 not been eligible for many projects as of late, “but if there are opportunities, we do apply.”

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123 Dennis inquired about eligibility.

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125 Dan Wick said he needs to speak with the stewardship, noting many grants are related to  
126 shoreline restoration. Dan said ADA accessibility is an area that still needs to be addressed,  
127 telling board members there is no funding for that component in 2019. Dan said, "As we are  
128 looking forward, we are working on an RFP for an ADA accessibility plan for the city."

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130 Dennis suggested installing blacktop for the Fire Department, thus making the area qualified for  
131 ADA accessibility.

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133 Dan Wick said that in the past board members have stated they do not want to see asphalt  
134 installed in this area, nor do they want to incur any traffic. Dan also said he would not object if  
135 board members choose to pursue this option.

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137 Dennis said he is not advocating for an area in which several boats may be launched; rather, only  
138 the Fire Department. Dennis also said installing blacktop would address the ADA accessibility  
139 component.

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141 Andrea expressed concern over installing blacktop in the floodway.

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143 Ald. Binash stated as a point of order board members were deviating from the topic.

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145 Motion by Brian, second by Ald. Binash, to pursue Option 3 as a dock configuration at the Great  
146 River Landing.

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148 Ald. Binash noted the Room Tax Commission already has placed funding for the dock in its  
149 2019 budget.

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151 Dennis said he is seeking other methods by which to increase funding.

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153 Ald. Binash reminded Dennis the board is discussing dock configuration.

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155 Dan Stevens asked if all three options meet the needs of individuals who want to utilize kayaks,  
156 launch boats, fish, or participate in the Three Rivers Roleo.

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158 Dan Wick said yes, noting there is nothing present at this time. Dan added, "With the amount of  
159 traffic we see down there, this is only going to enhance that."

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161 Brian inquired about the approximate budget.

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163 Dan Wick said he believes slightly more than \$26,000 has been budgeted. Dan also said bid  
164 documents will be created, with the goal being to present the configuration and pricing at the

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165 February 25 Parks and Recreation Board meeting. Pending approval, the goal would be to install  
166 the dock in early spring.

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168 Dennis told Dan Wick he hopes he has “concrete communication” with the Fire Department  
169 between now and the February 25 Parks and Recreation Board meeting.

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171 Andrea noted the docks would be moveable and said it would not be prudent to create a path to a  
172 dock that would not be there all the time.

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174 Dennis asked if the docks will be moved on a consistent basis.

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176 Dan Wick said it is possible to relocate the dock, reiterating it is a modular system and noting  
177 staff would be able to reconfigure the dock. Dan reiterated it is possible to add on to all three  
178 options and said perhaps the board will want to add sections to it in 2020.

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180 Dennis said he is of the impression the dock would be designed for kayakers.

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182 Dan Wick said the dock may be used for anything.

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184 Motion restated:

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186 To approve Option 3 for the dock configuration at the Great River Landing.

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188 On voice vote, motion carried.

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190 b. Discussion regarding building along Black River

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192 Dan Wick noted board members’ packets include a copy of an email from Planning Manager  
193 Katie Aspenson detailing the following options for the structure:

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195 • **Option 1:** The structure is considered nonconforming. In order to determine the amount  
196 of funding that may go into the structure, an appraisal would need to be completed and up  
197 to 50 percent of the value may be rehabilitated. Building permit(s) would be required  
198 prior to construction activities. Dan Wick said, “I think we’ve already moved past  
199 Option 1.”

200 • **Option 2:** The existing structure may be removed with a Demolition Permit, and another  
201 structure may be installed provided the following occur:

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○ Obtain a Conditional Use Permit.

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○ Obtain a Building Permit prior to construction.

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○ Building may not be located in the floodway. It may only be constructed in the  
205 Flood Fringe District.

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- 206                   ○ The first floor of the structure would need to be filled to floodplain elevation, and  
207                   any mechanicals would need to be installed at 2 feet above floodplain elevation.  
208                   ○ Building would be considered an accessory structure for use of storage materials,  
209                   provided they are not flammable (e.g. kayak, fishing equipment).  
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211 Dan Wick referred to a map included in board members' packets and noted the black lines  
212 represent the floodway, and the red area is the Flood Fringe District. Dan said based on the  
213 information supplied by Katie, it is possible to construct another shelter or facility in the area in  
214 which the current structure stands. Dan said staff will prepare items to be included in the 2020  
215 budget process if board members wish to see another structure built.  
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217 Brian asked Mark if water reaches the structure, and he also inquired about the possible budget  
218 for the structure.  
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220 Mark told Brian the water reaches the building and said it had entered the building in the early  
221 2000s. Mark added, "Not since then, but it's been close."  
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223 Dan Wick addressed the financial aspect and said it would be necessary to examine  
224 configuration. Dan then showed board members a picture of a shelter he said he believes "would  
225 be a nice enhancement down there" if the board chooses to pursue that option.  
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227 Dennis asked if the current structure would be razed and the new structure would be constructed  
228 on the same location.  
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230 Dan Wick told Dennis the structure would not necessarily be constructed on the same location,  
231 and he said he believes staff must determine what type of programming should occur at the site.  
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233 Dan Stevens asked Ald. Binash, who chairs the Room Tax Commission, if the funds the  
234 commission had set aside for the structure still were available.  
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236 Ald. Binash said, "That goes yearly. For that particular time period, we had money set aside.  
237 When the budget is redone, it's redone with a certain purpose. If we're looking at 2020, I  
238 certainly think the Room Tax Commission can look at adding funds for this particular process.  
239 As a matter of fact, we talked about this before that it is not feasible to repair that building as it  
240 currently stands. This board was looking at possibly doing something with that building. We  
241 wanted to repair it. We got the Inspection Department to go down there, and they said, 'I don't  
242 think this is probably a good proposition.' More than likely, we would be looking at – if we so  
243 decide – demolition and putting up some type of structure there that would be a little further  
244 away from the water and meet the needs of whatever it is we want to do down there."  
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246 Dan Stevens asked if any funds allotted for the structure have been expended.

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248 Both Ald. Binash and Dan Wick said the funds were not utilized. Dan noted the 2018 budget  
249 included repairing the roof and installing siding on the current structure. Dan reiterated those  
250 funds had not been spent.  
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252 Dan Stevens asked if the funds still are available.  
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254 Dan Wick said they still are in the Room Tax budget.  
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256 Brian asked if a structure would be beneficial for the storage of items, and also if such a structure  
257 is needed.  
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259 Mark said he believes such a structure is needed to store kayaks. Mark also said he believes a  
260 better structure can benefit the other Parks and Recreation programs at the waterfront such as  
261 fishing.  
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263 Andrea said she would like to see a shelter that could both serve as storage and also be rented by  
264 the public.  
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266 Dan Stevens asked what action is being requested.  
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268 Dan Wick said this item was included on this evening's agenda so that the board may discuss it.  
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270 Dan Wick showed board members a photograph of a shelter that had been constructed in  
271 Ashland, Wisconsin and noted it had won the Park Design Award. Dan pointed out the shelter is  
272 all garage doors, noting that a farmers' market is held there. Dan said, "My thought of having a  
273 facility like this in high-water situations, most of the time the garage doors would be up so water  
274 would be flowing through there if we needed it, or it could." Dan showed board members a  
275 photograph of an event at the shelter where tables and chairs were utilized. Dan noted the shelter  
276 in Ashland is a large structure and said that while the City of Onalaska might not necessarily  
277 need a structure of that size, "it's kind of intriguing from a maintenance standpoint."  
278  
279 Motion by Brian, second by Ald. Binash, to direct Parks and Recreation Department staff to  
280 continue exploring the concept of a structure along the Black River, and also that the Parks and  
281 Recreation staff look into programming for the site.  
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283 Andrea said she likes the thought of constructing a new structure, adding that while she initially  
284 favored keeping the current building, "obviously that's not practical." Andrea said she believes  
285 there are opportunities for environmental education and programming at the site if a building is  
286 designed to meet the needs of the current programming.  
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288 Motion by Dan Stevens, second by Andrea, to amend the previous motion and recommend  
289 demolishing the existing structure to allow for the potential of other use buildings.

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291 Vote on the amendment:

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293 On voice vote, motion carried.

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295 Vote on the original motion, as amended:

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297 On voice vote, motion carried.

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299 **Item 5 – Report from Blufflands Coalition**

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301 a. 2018 Payment

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303 Dan Wick noted board members’ packets include a copy of a letter dated December 5, 2018 from  
304 Josh Blum, Vice Chairperson of the Blufflands Coalition, seeking payment in the amount of  
305 \$7,200. Dan told board members funds had been set aside in 2017, but had not been spent as the  
306 Blufflands Coalition did not start until 2018.

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308 Motion by Andrea, second by Brian, to approve the 2018 Payment to the Blufflands Coalition in  
309 the amount of \$7,200.

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311 On voice vote, motion carried.

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313 b. Suggested Amendments to Blufflands Plan

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315 Dan Wick noted the Blufflands Coalition had met the week of January 20-26, but there was no  
316 quorum present and therefore no action was taken. However, a request was made to bring  
317 forward suggested amendments to The Blufflands Plan to the Parks and Recreation Board, and  
318 these suggestions have been included in board members’ packets. Dan noted the following  
319 changes had been discussed at the meeting:

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- 321 • Under “Wording of Exhibit B,” Item A should read “Add clarity to the term ‘Shared  
322 Use.’ ”
- 323 • Under No. 3 of “SHIFT Principles for Advancing Outdoor Recreation and Conservation,”  
324 two Blufflands Coalition members are examining the word “accessible.” Dan said he  
325 believes “accessible” is a word that could be utilized in several avenues and there is an  
326 attempt to come up with different language as not all the trails will be accessible or ADA  
327 compliant.

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329 Ald. Binash referred to “Recommended Change” under “Wording of Exhibit B” and suggested it  
330 should be worded as follows: “...extending unbroken from the south end of La Crosse through  
331 Onalaska, and eventually north to Holmen.”

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333 Andrea said she believes the accessibility issue will be interesting because of federal regulations  
334 on accessibility on all trails. Andrea asked Dan Wick to find out if the Blufflands Coalition will  
335 create an accessibility policy for the properties on which the trail will be created, or if each  
336 municipality will have to create its own accessibility possibility. Andrea noted accessibility to  
337 all lands is required for individuals with all abilities.

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339 Dan Stevens asked if it would be similar to mirror what the federal government or the State of  
340 Wisconsin does regarding accessibility in parks.

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342 c. Changes to the Bylaws

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344 Dan Wick said the changes include requiring that members are active.

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346 **Item 6 – Report from Onalaska Enhancement Foundation**

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348 Dan Wick shared the following update:

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- 350 • The Fleis Nightfall Frolic will be held Friday, April 26.
- 351 • “Celebrate Onalaska” will be held June 21-23. There will be fireworks June 22, and the  
352 rock band Vic Ferrari will perform that evening. The National Federation of Fastpitch  
353 Softball Tournament will be part of the event, as will a high school volleyball  
354 tournament.

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356 **Item 7 – Report from Great River Landing Committee**

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358 Andrea asked Dennis to clarify the purpose of the Great River Landing Committee at this time.

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360 Dennis said a conversation regarding Andrea’s question needs to occur as the committee has not  
361 met since March 2018. Dennis also said he believes there needs to be a line of communication  
362 between the Parks and Recreation Board, the Great River Landing Committee, and the  
363 Community Development Authority so that all three groups can work together.

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365 Andrea said she would like to know the Great River Landing Committee’s current purpose  
366 because it is unclear “how we jumbled Park[s] [and Recreation] Board with [the Great River  
367 Landing] Committee.”

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369 Dan Stevens asked if it would be appropriate for the Parks and Recreation Board to absorb the

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370 duties of the Great River Landing Committee.

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372 Dennis said he does not know what the Great River Landing Committee was set up to do.

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374 Dan Stevens said he believes it would be a matter for the Common Council to discuss.

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376 Dennis suggested that perhaps Dan Wick could discuss this matter with City Administrator  
377 Rindfleisch.

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379 City Administrator Rindfleisch told board members the Common Council decides on creating or  
380 disbanding committees, and also creating the purpose behind a committee. City Administrator  
381 Rindfleisch noted the Great River Landing Committee was created to allow public insight into  
382 forming the direction of what should be at the Great River Landing, and he said he believes the  
383 Parks and Recreation Board is the appropriate body to maintain programming at the Great River  
384 Landing now that the site has been established and a plan is in place.

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386 Ald. Binash reminded board members there were several phases to the Great River Landing  
387 when the Great River Landing Committee was formed. Ald. Binash noted the Great River  
388 Landing Committee had been involved in the sculpture for the site, and he said, "It started with  
389 them and stayed with them, and then it came to us." Ald. Binash said the Common Council will  
390 have to decide whether or not to dissolve the Great River Landing Committee, but he also  
391 reminded board members that the individuals serving on the Great River Landing Committee had  
392 devoted a significant amount of time and effort, and also that the committee's members had  
393 direction.

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395 Andrea inquired about committee members' direction.

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397 Ald. Binash noted the Great River Landing Committee had taken the lead on the charrette  
398 process, and he said he would be reluctant to dissolve the committee at this time because "this is  
399 still almost like a work in progress. There may be other things we might like to add down there.  
400 It is a park, but at some point in time we may need to say, 'You've done your job and we're not  
401 going to do anything more.' The phases they had implemented or thought of are on record. And  
402 since it's part of the park, then the Park[s] [and Recreation] Board can take over. They aren't  
403 meeting that much because frankly there's not a whole lot there right now. There's not a lot of  
404 money for them to proceed with other phases."

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406 Dan Wick said he believes there are smaller items the Great River Landing Committee would  
407 like to add to what already has been done at the site.

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409 Dennis told board members the Great River Landing Committee does not want to meet until  
410 there is a clear direction.

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412 Dan Stevens said he does not object to the Great River Landing Committee existing, but he also  
413 pointed out the committee has not met in several months. Further, Dan also said there is  
414 uncertainty as to what the Great River Landing Committee's role is, and he suggested that  
415 perhaps the committee should meet so that its members can decide if they wish to continue.

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417 Andrea noted the first committee had been charged to devise a plan for the waterfront that would  
418 be implemented in stages. Andrea said it was her understanding it then would be turned over to  
419 the city for implementation, and she also said she does not know if the second committee was  
420 given the same mandate, or if the committee will follow it through in perpetuity. Andrea stated  
421 she believes there needs to be clarification and said, "If we're going to go out and design a  
422 building for programming, and they have a different vision they're not discussing in their non-  
423 meetings, then that seems like that could be an issue down the road."

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425 Dan Stevens said he agrees with Ald. Binash that there is no downside for the Great River  
426 Landing Committee to continue existing as it might become relevant at a later date.

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428 City Administrator Rindfleisch said the document the Great River Landing Committee created is  
429 a visioning document, and the harm comes in which body renders a decision, citing the sculpture  
430 as an example. City Administrator Rindfleisch said he believes the work regarding the Great  
431 River Landing has been accomplished and the plan for the site is a guiding document.

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433 Dennis said if there is something in the plan the Parks and Recreation Board does not implement,  
434 it needs to be conveyed in advance for fundraising and grant writing purposes.

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436 Ald. Binash suggested to Dennis, who serves as the Parks and Recreation Board's representative  
437 on the Great River Landing Committee, to make a motion to disband the committee the next time  
438 it meets and see what transpires.

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440 Dennis said while he would not object to doing so, he also wants to devise a viable alternative  
441 that works for everyone.

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443 Ald. Binash noted the Great River Landing is part of the city's park system.

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445 Dan Stevens said the Great River Landing Committee either can meet and vote to disband, "or  
446 we can keep it going with the status quo." Dan also said he assumes the Parks and Recreation  
447 Board is willing to assume the responsibilities associated with the Great River Landing if the  
448 Great River Landing Committee's members believe they have completed their mission. Dan  
449 asked if the Parks and Recreation Board may recommend that the Great River Landing  
450 Committee call a meeting.

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452 Dan Wick said the Great River Landing Committee's members must decide if they want to meet.

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454 Brian said it appears that the Parks and Recreation Board seems poised to assume the  
455 responsibilities associated with the Great River Landing should the Great River Landing  
456 Committee choose to disband.

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458 Andrea said, "Or at least clarify what the roles are going to be moving forward so we're not  
459 stepping on each other's toes."

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461 **Item 8 – Director's Report**

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463 **a. Parks Update**

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465 Mark reported the following:

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- 467 • Several trees had been cut. Three trees (one at the bottom of the bluff, one in Rowe Park,  
468 one by the Omni Center) were left standing so they may be utilized for carving.
- 469 • Approximately 200 tables and 75 trash holders need to be repaired and/or painted.

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471 Ald. Binash noted there had been discussions about installing Wi-Fi at the Great River Landing  
472 and that there are funds available via the Room Tax Commission. Ald. Binash asked Dan Wick  
473 if any progress had been made on installing Wi-Fi at the site.

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475 Dan Wick told Ald. Binash the city's IT staff is currently working on upgrading the Wi-Fi at the  
476 Omni Center. Dan also said the La Crosse County Convention and Visitors Bureau would like to  
477 have a landline installed at the Great River Landing.

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479 Ald. Binash said there had been discussions regarding also installing security cameras at the  
480 Great River Landing.

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482 Dan Wick shared the following update:

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- 484 • Work is being done on the RFP for the Rowe Park Master Plan, with the goal of sending  
485 it out at the end of the week.
- 486 • Work is being done on the ADA Transition Plan, which is approximately 80 to 85 percent  
487 complete. A draft copy of what has been done so far will be sent to Cities and Villages  
488 Mutual Insurance Company.

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490 **b. Recreation Update**

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492 Kraig reported the following:

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- The winter sports programs will conclude in February.

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- There will be girls basketball tournament February 9 at Onalaska High School.

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- Spring registration has begun. Programs include soccer and youth volleyball.

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- Baseball and softball camps will be held in late February.

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- Work has begun on the summer brochure.

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500 Dennis asked Kraig if any new programs are being added this year.

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502 Kraig said he has spoken to individuals about a lacrosse program, and he is attempting to speak  
503 to someone about having floorball at the Omni Center.

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505 Dennis asked Kraig if he is eliminating any programs due to a lack of interest.

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507 Kraig said no.

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509 **c. Aquatic Center Update**

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511 Dan Wick reported the following:

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- Letters have been sent to staff members who worked at the facility in 2018. They have  
514 until mid-February to respond if they wish to work at the Aquatic Center this summer.

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- Mark is obtaining prices for pump work.

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517 Dennis noted that Marvin Wanders of Three Sixty Real Estate Solutions plans to give the Parks  
518 and Recreation Department \$94,000 if his plans for the Great River Residences are approved,  
519 and he also noted Marvin must do so before construction may begin. Dennis asked Dan Wick  
520 what would happen to the \$94,000.

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522 Dan Wick said it would be deposited into the Park Fund, and funds for projects to be completed  
523 are allocated through the budget process each year in the geographical region of the incoming  
524 allocated funds.

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526 Dennis asked how much of the \$94,000 will go toward the riverfront.

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528 Dan Wick said it is at the board's discretion what is put in and what is approved for it. Dan  
529 explained that if land is given to the project, the funds are given for park development. If no  
530 land is given, 53 percent goes for land acquisition, and 47 percent goes for land development.

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532 Dennis asked if there is a cap on how long the funds may be in the Park Fund.

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Reviewed 1/30/19 by Dan Wick

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534 Dan Wick said State of Wisconsin Statutes limit the time the city has to spend the money to  
535 seven years. Dan also noted the funds are currently not in the budget and said 2020 is the earliest  
536 they could be utilized.

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538 **d. Omni Center Update**

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540 Dan Wick reported the following:

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- 542 • There are hockey tournaments every weekend. A 16-team tournament was held last  
543 weekend, and the 12-team Mite Jamboree is scheduled for Sunday.
- 544 • Ice will be removed from Arena 1 in late February in preparation for the Home and  
545 Builders Show the first weekend in March.

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547 **Adjournment**

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549 Motion by Andrea, second by Brian, to adjourn at 6:13 p.m.

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551 On voice vote, motion carried.

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