

WHITEWATER PARK STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2022

8:00 AM

Stoughton Council Chambers (321 S. Fourth Street, Stoughton, WI 53589) and Zoom



Present Members: Regina Hirsch, Brandon Holstein, Pete Manley, Alex DeSmidt, Bob Diebel, Vik Malling, and Parks & Recreation Director Dan Glynn

Guests: Tim Swadley, Laura Davis, Curt Brink, Mark Hale, Mason Lacy, John Bottoroff, Charles Sweeney, Eric Olsen, David Pluymers, Dan Hanson, Brett Hebert, Al Waller, Riley Gelatt, and Jack Soceka

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:03 am.

2. Approval of the May 16, 2022 Minutes

Motion by Manley and seconded by Malling to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment

Bottoroff communicated that he was representing the Friends of Lake Kegonsa in attending the meeting and that he was collecting information for them. He commented that the Bend, OR park has recently had two fatalities.

4. Communications

Glynn shared that the City has been going through the permitting and approval process with the DNR and Army Corp of Engineers. The latest design was submitted on Friday and that it would be 30-75 days for them to review the plans.

New Business

5. Design Update (Discussion)

Mason Lacy addressed Bottoroff's comments about the Bend, OR park since he is a resident of Bend. The one fatality is not attributed to their whitewater park and was just where a body was found. The other fatality was due to entrapment between two gates and the design differs from Stoughton's. The Stoughton design has one gate across the entire structure which would eliminate any entrapment issues.

Lacy then shared how the pneumatic gates worked and looked like. The lifespan of the gates are 20 years and the rest of the park is 50 years. Lacy covered the hydraulic analysis with the gate up which would be for flows under 250 CFS.

6 Future Agenda Items

Ryan Richards, Bend Parks & Recreation – Bend Wave Operation & Livery.
Luke Hellerman, Strand – Soil Management Plan

Adjournment

Motion made by Diebel and seconded by Malling at 9:54 am. Motion carried unanimously.