

REGULAR MEETING
Board of Park Commissioners
March 3, 2021 - 6:30 PM
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AGENDA

Discussion and Possible Action on:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of February 3, 2021 meeting minutes
3. Presentation on Emerald Ash Borer Biocontrol program for Iverson Park presented by the United States Department of Agriculture
4. Approval of Emerald Ash Borer Biocontrol program in Iverson Park in partnership with the USDA
5. Award of site work contract to Green Thumb Sprinklers and Landscaping in the not-to-exceed amount of \$27,082 for Project # 20.054, Bukolt Park Playground Development.
6. Approval of exterior design and location of new restroom building in Iverson Park.
7. Division Reports:
 - a. Recreation (Kate)
 - b. Forestry Department (Todd)
 - c. Parks Department (Scott)
8. Director's Report
 - a. Plover River Crossing Project Update
 - b. Departmental Covid Response Update
9. Adjournment.

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Board of Park Commissioners

February 3, 2021 - 6:30 PM

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Dial in Number: (312)626-6799 Meeting ID: 879 4171 5862 Passcode: 824646

Discussion and Possible Action on:

1. Roll Call

Present: Freckman, Glodosky, Hall, Kirsch, McDonald, Okonek, Przybyliski, Alder Shorr, Alder Slowinski, Alder Zarazua

Excused: Sorenson

Also Present: Director Kremer, Anne Hylla, Ginger Keymer, Steven McKay, Susan Schuller, Karen Sieg

2. Approval of January 6, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion by Hall, second by Przybyliski to approve the January 6, 2021 meeting minutes.

Ayes, all; Nays, none; Motion carried.

3. Approval of SPASH National Honor Society Food Drive Skate Special Event request at Goerke Park on February 5 and 12.

Item #3 pulled from agenda

4. Approval of request by Recycling Connections to install two temporary recycling displays along the Riverfront for June, July and August of 2021.

Motion by Glodosky, second by Alder Zarazua to approve the installation of one temporary recycling display along the riverfront for June, July, and August of 2021.

Ayes, all; Nays, none; Motion carried.

5. Approval of contract award for Project Number 20.052 to Upper Midwest Athletic Construction, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$80,279.20 for Goerke Tennis Court Resurfacing.

Motion by Shorr, second by Okonek to approve the contract award for Project Number 20.052 to Upper Midwest Athletic Construction, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$80,279.20 for Goerke Tennis Court Resurfacing.

Ayes, all; Nays, none; Motion carried.

6. Approval of special events, lodge rentals and organized activities.

Motion by Okonek, second by Glodosky to remove the 50 person capacity limit for special events and rentals and replace with recommendations to follow CDC guidelines, mask requirements, and consulting with County Health Department.
Ayes, all; Nays, none; Motion carried.

7. Director's Report

a. Bukolt Playground Project

b. Iverson Restroom Project

c. KB Willett Arena

Director Kremer presented updates on Bukolt Park playground project bid opening next month, Iverson Park Restroom project location findings, K.B. Willett Arena, and the contamination clean-up efforts at the Cultural Commons.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Hall, second by Glodosky to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm.
Ayes, all; Nays, none; Motion carried.

Agenda Notes

3. Presentation on Emerald Ash Borer Biocontrol program for Iverson Park presented by the United States Department of Agriculture

USDA representative, Ellen Natzke, contacted Todd Ernster and the City's Forestry Department about partnering to implement a Biocontrol program in Iverson Park. Ellen will present the details of the program for the commission to review.

4. Approval of the Emerald Ash Borer Biocontrol program in Iverson Park in partnership with the USDA.

Staff recommendation is to approve the program partnership.

5. Award of site work contract to Green Thumb Sprinklers and Landscaping in the not-to-exceed amount of \$27,082 for Project # 20.054, Bukolt Park Playground Development.

A memo is included recommending award to the lowest qualified bidder, Green Thumb Sprinklers and Landscaping. The award amount of \$27,082 includes 15% contingency. Project budget is \$100,000; the remaining funds will be used to purchase the playground apparatus and site amenities (benches, bike racks, site drainage and concrete edging).

6. Approval of exterior design and location of the new restroom building in Iverson Park.

CBS Squared is the consultant performing design services for the restroom project. CBS Squared has included a summary of their color recommendation to match/blend the new building with the existing buildings/landscape in Iverson Park. A map detailing the flood elevations is included in the packet. Staff summarize the map and explain the details of the placement recommendation.

Staff recommendation is to approve the restroom design as presented and to rebuild the new restroom in the existing location.

Questions and Answers: Biological Control for Emerald Ash Borer

For several years, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has used the emerald ash borer's (EAB) natural enemies—tiny stingless wasps known as parasitoids—as biological control agents to help manage infestations. The goal of APHIS' EAB program is to help maintain ash trees as part of the North American landscape and biological control significantly contributes to this goal.

What is biological control?

Biological control, or biocontrol, uses natural enemies such as parasitoids, predators, pathogens, or antagonists to reduce plant pests or diseases. Biological control can be a practical and an environmentally sound method for pest control. The biological control agents used against EAB include four tiny stingless wasp species—the largest is about the size of a typical mosquito.



SPATHIUS AGRILI



SPATHIUS GALINAE



OOBIUS AGRILI

Why is biological control used against EAB?

Soon after the EAB was first detected in the United States, APHIS, the Agricultural Research Service, and the U.S. Forest Service began looking for natural enemies to fight the infestation. We conducted research in EAB's native range in China and found three biological control agents—*Spathius agrili*, *Tetrastichus planipennisi*, and *Oobius agrili*. Several years later we also found *Spathius galinae* in Russia. These four wasp species specifically hunt and kill EAB, which helps reduce the number of EAB infesting and killing ash trees. Three species attack EAB larvae and one targets EAB eggs.



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TETRASTICHUS PLANIPENNISI

- *Spathius agrili* has a long egg-laying organ or ovipositor that helps it attack EAB larvae in many different sized ash trees. This wasp penetrates through tree bark and lays up to 20 eggs on an EAB larva. The hatching wasp larvae feed and develop on the EAB larva, resulting in its death.
- *Spathius galinae* also attacks EAB larvae like *Spathius agrili* does, but what makes this wasp different is that it can tolerate colder climates, which makes it an optimal biological control agent for releasing in the northern states.
- *Tetrastichus planipennisi* also attacks EAB larvae, but the female lays eggs inside EAB larvae where the wasp larvae grow and eventually kill their host. Because of its shorter ovipositor, *Tetrastichus* targets larvae in ash trees with a diameter of five inches or less.
- *Oobius agrili* is the smallest of the wasps and targets EAB eggs. When this wasp locates an EAB egg in tree bark, it injects an egg inside the host egg, where it will hatch, grow, and kill the EAB egg.

Do the wasps bother people, pets, or other creatures?

The wasps are attracted to EAB, not people or pets. The wasps may incidentally attack other *Agrilus* species that are similar to EAB, but such incidental attacks are very rare and will not disrupt their populations.



When and where have wasps been released in the United States?

APHIS first released wasps in Michigan in 2007. Since then, we have worked with biological control partners to release more than eight million wasps in 30 states and the District of Columbia—and recovered their offspring in 22 states. This means the wasps are establishing, reproducing, and more importantly, attacking and killing EAB. You can see where wasps have been released by visiting www.aphis.usda.gov/plant-health/eab.

How effective are the wasps at killing EAB?

The most recent study that was conducted in Michigan and several northeastern states showed that the wasps are killing 20-80% of EAB in ash trees up to eight inches in diameter. The study documented that more EAB are being attacked by the wasps which is resulting in less EAB attacking ash trees, and that ash trees are regenerating in these areas because wasps are being released. You can read the study online by visiting https://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/technology/pdfs/FHAA-ST-2017-02_Biocontrol_role_EAB_regeneration.pdf

Will biological control eventually eradicate EAB?

The wasps alone will not eradicate EAB. They can be used in an integrated pest management plan to help control the pest and benefit our landscapes.

How does APHIS determine where to release wasps?

Each year, APHIS estimates wasp production to determine the number of release sites it can support. Then release sites are selected based on biological control criteria and EAB program priorities outlined in the EAB Biocontrol Release Guidelines. You can read the guidelines online by visiting https://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/emerald_ash_b/downloads/EAB-FieldRelease-Guidelines.pdf

How are wasps released?

Once the release areas are identified, APHIS ships the wasps to our biological control partners who release them in the preapproved and selected area(s). Wasps are released according to the Biological Control Release and Recovery Guidelines, see link included above. APHIS begins shipping wasps in the spring and continues until early fall.

Is it safe to release wasps since they are non-native insects?

Before the wasps were released, research in China and in the United States revealed that the wasps prefer EAB over other insects. No adverse effects were found or raised through the environmental assessment process. You can read the documents and public comments by visiting <https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=APHIS-2014-0094>.

Can native insects be used to fight EAB instead?

While there are EAB parasitoids and predators in the United States, such as the native stingless wasps *Atanycolus* and *Cerceris fumipennis*, and woodpeckers, these native enemies do not attack EAB at levels high enough to make a difference on infestations.

How can I become a biological control partner?

If you are a public landowner or land manager in an area where EAB is infesting ash trees, you can send email containing information about the property where you would like to release wasps. If the property is selected, we will contact you by email. Please send the email to EAB.Biocontrol.Program@USDA.gov and include the following information in the body of the email:

1. Property owner/manager name;
2. Property owner/manager email address;
3. MapBio number issued through www.mapbiocontrol.org;
4. Name of the county where the property is located;
5. And the latitude and longitude of the property.

Can the stingless wasps be purchased?

No. The EAB program is providing stingless wasps to states and selected partners to release in EAB-infested public areas. Additionally, the stingless wasps are difficult to produce which limits their availability.

Where can I find more information on the EAB program and the use of biological control?

More information is available online, please visit www.aphis.usda.gov/plant-health/eab.

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BID RECOMMENDATION

**PROJECT: CITY OF STEVENS POINT PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY DEPARTMENT
BUKOLT PARK – PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

FROM: Rettler Corporation, Ross Rettler
TO: City of Stevens Point Parks, Recreation & Forestry Dept., Dan Kremer
DATE: February 18, 2021
RE: Bid Results – Contract 'A' – Bukolt Park Playground Development Project

Director Kremer;

The City of Stevens Point, Bukolt Park, Playground Development Project bids were opened on February 18th, 2021.

Bids for Contract 'A' Bukolt Park Playground Development Project were received from six (6) contractors. Bids were received from Green Thumb Sprinklers & Landscaping, LLC., Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating, LLC., Altmann Construction Company, LLC., Scott Lamers Construction, LLC., Pember Companies, Inc., and Fahrner Excavating, Inc.

**Qualifying Bids, for Contract 'A' Bukolt Park Playground Development Project – Base Bid
are as follows:**

<i>Green Thumb Sprinklers & Landscaping, LLC.</i>	<i>\$20,270.00</i>
<i>Altmann Construction Company, LLC.,</i>	<i>\$31,827.75</i>
<i>Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating, LLC.</i>	<i>\$32,451.80</i>
<i>Scott Lamers Construction, LLC.</i>	<i>\$34,396.00</i>
<i>Pember Companies, Inc</i>	<i>\$45,668.75</i>
<i>Fahrner Excavating, Inc.</i>	<i>\$49,865.30</i>

Green Thumb Sprinklers & Landscaping, LLC. is the recommended qualified low bidder for the Contract "A", Base Bid of \$20,270.00. We are recommending a 15% contingency be maintained on this project. The recommended contractor has exhibited successful completion of similar past projects.

An alternate bid was solicited for (A1) storm sewer installation. Rettler Corporation recommends the City of Stevens Point accept the alternate bid for the project as follows:

<i>Contract "A – Alternate Bid A1" (Add)</i>	<i>\$3,280.00</i>
<i>Total Contract "A" base bid and alternates</i>	<i>\$23,550.00</i>

Please contact us if you have questions concerning the bid results and recommendations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ross Rettler', written over a horizontal line.

Ross Rettler, PLA, ASLA
Partner

City of Stevens Point - Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department
Bukolt Park - Playground Development Project
Bid Date: February 18, 2021 at 11:00 A.M.

CONTRACT "A" - GENERAL SITE CONSTRUCTION - BASE BID

				Green Thumb Sprinklers & Landscaping		Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating		Altmann Construction		Scott Lamers Construction		Pember Companies		Fahrner Excavating	
Item No.	Item Description	Units	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension
TENNIS COURT RESURFACING															
1.	Mobilization	L.S.	1	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$6,650.00	\$6,650.00	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$7,863.00	\$7,863.00
2.	General Demolition	L.S.	1	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,185.00	\$1,185.00	\$4,250.00	\$4,250.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00
3.	Common Excavation	L.S.	1	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00	\$6,525.00	\$6,525.00	\$3,450.00	\$3,450.00	\$4,250.00	\$4,250.00	\$7,625.00	\$7,625.00	\$12,550.00	\$12,550.00
4.	Landscape Topsoil - Screened	L.S.	1	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$1,075.00	\$1,075.00	\$920.00	\$920.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
5.	Landscape Restoration	L.S.	1	\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$2,320.00	\$2,320.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00	\$4,080.00	\$4,080.00
6.	Erosion Control - Silt Fence	L.F.	175	\$3.00	\$525.00	\$3.00	\$525.00	\$2.29	\$400.75	\$3.00	\$525.00	\$2.50	\$437.50	\$3.50	\$612.50
7.	Erosion Control - Silt Fence Outlet	EACH	1	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
8.	Erosion Control - Maintenance	L.S.	1	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
9.	Erosion Control - Type-B Inlet Protection	EACH	1	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$225.00	\$225.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
10.	Concrete Washout	L.S.	1	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
PAVEMENT STRUCTURE															
11.	5" Reinforced Concrete Thickened Edge Walk	S.F.	940	\$6.40	\$6,016.00	\$8.75	\$8,225.00	\$8.55	\$8,037.00	\$11.00	\$10,340.00	\$9.00	\$8,460.00	\$12.65	\$11,891.00
12.	5" Reinforced Concrete	S.F.	480	\$5.80	\$2,784.00	\$8.41	\$4,036.80	\$6.75	\$3,240.00	\$11.00	\$5,280.00	\$5.50	\$2,640.00	\$10.56	\$5,068.80
13.	6" Dense Graded Base, 3/4", Beneath Reinforced Concrete	S.Y.	225	\$10.20	\$2,295.00	\$11.40	\$2,565.00	\$10.00	\$2,250.00	\$4.00	\$900.00	\$14.25	\$3,206.25	\$8.00	\$1,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS															
14.	In-Kind Donation	L.S.	1		\$0.00		\$0.00	-\$250.00	-\$250.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	-\$500.00	-\$500.00

\$20,270.00	\$32,451.80	\$31,827.75	\$34,396.00	\$45,668.75	\$49,865.30
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ALTERNATE "A1" – STORM SEWER

1.	4" Perforated Underdrain w/ Sock	L.F.	210	\$12.00	\$2,520.00	\$15.00	\$3,150.00	\$16.00	\$3,360.00	\$15.00	\$3,150.00	\$22.00	\$4,620.00	\$19.00	\$3,990.00
2.	4" PVC, SDR-35, Storm Sewer Pipe	L.F.	95	\$8.00	\$760.00	\$15.00	\$1,425.00	\$23.00	\$2,185.00	\$10.00	\$950.00	\$25.00	\$2,375.00	\$30.00	\$2,850.00

\$3,280.00	\$4,575.00	\$5,545.00	\$4,100.00	\$6,995.00	\$6,840.00
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Basic exterior finishes:

WALLS:	Split face concrete block, 8" walls and 12" corners
BLOCK TRIM:	Color: Sherwin Williams 6182 Ethereal White (warm light gray)
SOFFIT AND FASCIA:	Metal, color: Mocha or Dark Gray
ROOFING :	Asphalt shingles, Color :charcoal
TRIM:	Composite strand board (LP Smartboard)); site painted: Sherwin Williams 6144 Dapper Dan or complementary wall color
WINDOWS:	¼" laminate glass, frosted or textured
DOORS	Fiberglass. Color to match trim
Preliminary Block color	Sherwin Williams 6108 Latte – Final color decisions will be made during construction

Rational for decision:

We have found painted block is a durable finish that can be repainted easily if vandalized versus sandblasting porous material. This also keeps the building less moist by creating an exterior vapor barrier. Trim will be a wood textured composite stranded siding material that will be painted on site. We recommend fiberglass exterior doors and frames to eliminate rusting.

We felt the painted block color (Sherwin Williams: Latte) would be more complimentary to the other buildings in the park. The final color selection will be made during the construction phase of the project.





