

PARK COMMITTEE MEETING
April 5, 2016
Minutes

Call Meeting to Order

Dana Young called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present

Scott Ferguson, Jim Elvestrom, Jonathan Weiss, Wendy Duren, Cindy Webster, Lindsey Carr, Patrick Regan, and City Administrator Dana Young

Members Absent

None

March 8, 2016 Minutes

The Committee approved the March 8, 2016 minutes on a motion by Cindy Webster, seconded by Patrick Regan. Motion carried 7-0.

Matters from the Floor

There were no Matters from the Floor this evening.

Park Reports

Scott Ferguson reported that the basketball net at Thorpe Park needs to be replaced.

Jonathan Weiss and Jim Elvestrom reported that the Thorpe tennis court is in rough condition and needs to be sealed and patched. Dana Young stated that there is no specific funding for tennis court repairs this year, but he would inspect all the courts later this week and see what could be done to repair the courts.

Appoint 2016 Chair & Vice Chair

Patrick Regan was appointed as 2016 Chair of the Park Committee on a motion by Jim Elvestrom, seconded by Scott Ferguson. Motion carried 7-0.

Scott Ferguson was appointed as 2016 Vice-Chair of the Park Committee on a motion by Cindy Webster, seconded by Lindsey Carr. Motion carried 7-0.

Reallocate Parks & Beaches to Committee Members

The Committee members selected specific parks and beaches to review and report on the overall condition of his or her park and beach to the Committee on a periodic basis. The park and beach designations are as follows:

- Children's Park - Wendy Duren
- Shuck Park - Wendy Duren
- Village Hall Park - Patrick Regan

- Burton Park - Scott Ferguson
- Thorpe Park - All members
- Haralson Park - Jim Elvestrom
- Cleveland Park - Jonathan Weiss
- Northome Trail - Jonathan Weiss
- Pump Park - Jim Elvestrom
- Linwood Beach - Cindy Webster
- Sandy Beach - Patrick Regan
- Rocky Beach - Jim Elvestrom
- Robinson's Bay Beach - Lindsey Carr
- Nocomo Beach - Patrick Regan
- Deephaven Beach - Lindsay Carr, Cindy Webster

Discussion was held on whether Minnetonka Blvd should be added to the list of parks and beaches due to its use as the central bike route in Deephaven.

Dana Young stated that there really isn't going to be much to monitor on Minnetonka Blvd until the street gets resurfaced in 2020.

Wendy Duren recommended that the discussion of a bike and pedestrian path on Minnetonka Blvd should be added to the Committee's discussion of the strategic plan.

Further discussion was held on the potential costs of resurfacing Minnetonka Blvd and the challenges of designing a bike and pedestrian path due to relatively narrow right-of-way of the street.

Discuss 2016 Park Committee Meeting Dates

Discussion was held on 2016 Park Committee meeting dates. The Committee decided to hold their 2016 meetings on May 3, June 7, September 13, October 4 and December 6.

Review Park & Recreation Strategic Plan

Dana Young stated that Confluence has sent over a copy of the Park & Recreation Strategic Plan today and he will forward copies to each member. Dana Young stated that he would like the Committee to focus on those sections of the Strategic Plan pertaining to the Deephaven Beach and Thorpe Park. He stated that the City Council is planning to replace the Deephaven Beach swimming dock this winter and discussion has been held about upgrading the hockey rinks. He stated that he is hoping that both of these improvements can be constructed with the Strategic Plan in mind.

Further discussion was held on reviewing the maintenance needs of each park and beach and to prioritize when to move forward with specific improvements.

Dana Young stated that he would provide the Capital Improvement Plan at the next meeting for Committee review.

Other

There was no other business to discuss this evening.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Wendy Duren, seconded by Cindy Webster. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Park Committee will be held on May 3, 2016.