

**City of Isanti
Park & Recreation Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
of
October 27, 2009
Isanti City Hall**

A. Call To Order

Wimmer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

C. Roll Call

Members Present: Board Chairman Wimmer, Clell Bone, Yvonne Kennedy, Bridgette Parker, and Aaron Zdon

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Krause, City Planner

D. Agenda Modifications

Krause stated that there were none.

Motion by Kennedy, second by Bone to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

E. Approve Minutes from the September 22nd, 2009 Meeting

Motion by Bone, second by Zdon to approve the Minutes from the September 22nd Meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

F. DNR Grant Response Letter

Krause present the staff memo on the item. Krause stated that the DNR had requested a letter in return acknowledging the comments provided by the DNR.

G. Park Events and Marketing Plan

Wimmer stated that he requested the item be placed on the agenda.

Krause stated that she had provided in the staff memo information from her notes on this discussion.

Wimmer stated that he wanted to show all of the things that were happening in the parks. Wimmer had requested that when groups come forward to have events in the park, information regarding those events should be brought back as an update to the Park Board. Wimmer stated that this will help the Board in the future when determining the types of activities or amenities that may need to be included in that park.

H. Park Reservation – Message Centers

Krause stated that this item was passed on to Mr. Zdon for additional research.

Zdon stated that it would be cheaper to build. Zdon stated that something nice could be constructed. Zdon stated that it would cost around \$100 to \$200 for parts and labor.

Wimmer questioned if there were metal poles. Wimmer questioned if a separate post was necessary or if it could be attached to the metal pole structure of the shelter.

Zdon stated that it could be mounted on the shelter. Zdon stated that the City could find some donated labor.

Wimmer stated that staff should ask Mr. Joslin, if donated money were to be secured to pay Mr. Zdon for the project, and the funds would not be City funds; can the City accept the donation. Wimmer questioned if there were any legal issues with this idea.

Zdon stated that he did not want any legal conflicts. Zdon stated that other contractors could do the project.

Wimmer stated that this is a small project. Wimmer stated that the City is not going to go through a bid process for \$200.

Krause stated that staff would verify with Mr. Joslin.

I. Parks, Trails, and Open Space Plan

Krause presented the draft sections.

Wimmer stated that they would appear to be technical classifications to be used in the plan. Wimmer stated that he did not have any comments or changes. Wimmer questioned if other Board members did.

Park Board members had no comments.

J. Updates

Krause stated that on Monday, October 26th; the City Flag and US Flag were raised at Bluebird Park. Krause stated that the light is available.

Bone stated that you do not need to have lights.

Wimmer stated that he was told you had to have lights on the US Flag.

Bone stated that the rules had been changed.

Wimmer stated that Staff is working on the last two easements for the Pedestrian Bridge. Wimmer stated that there may be a significant improvement option for the western side of TH 65.

Wimmer stated that for the Bike/Walk Trail, the additional \$400,000 was secured for the trail construction. Wimmer stated that he is waiting for a response from a bridge that was constructed in

Fridley and the cost was much higher and it was a simpler bridge. Wimmer stated that he hopes that the cost to the trail does not go up anymore. Wimmer stated that they will be letting the project in the spring; with completion by the end of the year.

Wimmer stated that the 3rd Avenue Reconstruction was complete. Wimmer stated that the trail is in place along 3rd Avenue to the city limits.

Wimmer stated that the City is working on amendments to the Hockey Agreement. Wimmer stated that there will be changes to the maintenance responsibilities. Wimmer stated that the City would flood the first time, but afterwards the Hockey Association would be responsible for removing snow and maintaining the ice to hockey ice. Wimmer stated that the agreement would be brought to Council the last meeting in November.

Zdon stated that the BMX season has closed for the year. Zdon stated that they are hoping to get the State Tournament again. Zdon stated that it was between us and St. Cloud.

K. Adjournment

Motion by Bone, second by Parker to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Dated at Isanti, Minnesota this 24th day of November 2009.

Respectively Submitted,

Lisa Krause, City Planner / Parks Coordinator