

City of Excelsior
Hennepin County, Minnesota

Minutes
Park and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL at 6:20 p.m.
Commissioners present: Chair Wolfe, Sobiech, Berghorst, Gallow, Rogney and Wahlstedt.

Also present: Public works Superintendent Tim Amundsen.
2. AGENDA APPROVAL
Commissioner Sobiech moved, Commissioner Gallow seconded, to approve the agenda as presented, Carries 6/0.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Commissioner Sobiech moved, Commissioner Gallow seconded, to approve the minutes for May and June as presented, Carries 6/0.
4. CITIZEN REPORTS OR COMMENTS
 - a) None.
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a) Draft Letter to the HPC.
The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the Draft response to the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) Review Policy of The Commons and the Blue Line Ticket Booth. The Park and Recreation Commission provided changes to the draft response letter to the HPC and directed staff to deliver the response once the recommended changes were made.
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) First Street Cottages
The Commission discussed the First Street Cottages from 125 First Street. The City Council asked the Park and Recreation Commission to discuss if they felt that the cottages were suitable for any of the parkland in Excelsior. Following discussion, the Park and Recreation Commission did not see any relevance for the cottages to be in either The Commons or Excelsior Studer Park.
- 7) VERBAL REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION
 - a) Electrical boxes
 - b) Eagle scout projects
The Commission discussed and recommended more raised bed construction and a compost system as potential Eagle Scout Projects.

8. UPDATES/INFORMATION:

a) Ice Castles

Superintendent Amundsen provided an update on the condition of The Commons and ongoing repairs. Discussed, no action taken.

b) Community Garden Plots: Discussed; no action taken

c) Concerts in the Park: Discussed; no action taken.

d) Maintenance Log: Discussed; no action taken.

e) Discussion on Port Bell: Discussed; no action taken.

f) Studer Park: Discussed; no action taken.

g) Gazebo/Mitten Pond: Discussed; no action taken.

9. MONTHLY FINANCIALS:

Motion by Berghorst to approve May and June financials as written, seconded by Wahlstedt, motion carries 6/0

10. MISCELLANEOUS/ COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

a) Recent Council Action: Discussed; no action taken.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Rogne to adjourn, seconded by Wahlstedt, carries 6/0

Respectfully submitted,

Tim J. Amundsen