

City of Excelsior
Hennepin County, Minnesota

Minutes
Park and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, January 13, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Wolfe called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Craig, Honzl, Mullenbach, Norman, Punch, Wahlstedt,
and Chair Wolfe

Commissioners Absent: None

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Honzl moved, Commissioner Wahlstedt seconded, to add two items to the agenda: Item 5(a), Gazebo, and Item 5(b), Hennepin County Sports Grant, and approve the agenda, as amended. Motion carried 7/0.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Honzl moved, Commissioner Wahlstedt seconded, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission minutes of December 9, 2014. Motion carried 7/0.

4. CITIZEN REPORTS OR COMMENTS:

No one appeared before the Commission.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Gazebo

Commissioners discussed the City Council action on funding for removal of the Gazebo at Oak Street and Water Street. No new action reported from City Council.

b) Hennepin County Sports Grant

Superintendent Wisdorf said that he is in continuing communication with the Diamond Club to present an outline for a 2015 proposal at the February 10, 2015 Park and Recreation Commission meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Laura Hotvett, Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Commission and presented a proposal for a pilot project involving Nice Rides. Commissioner Wahlstedt moved, Commissioner Craig seconded, to recommend the proposal by Laura Hotvett. Motion carried 7/0.

7. VERBAL REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION

a) Proposal for Excelsior Studer Park Prairie Restoration

Commissioner Mullenbach will contact the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District for potential grant funding.

b) Erosion Control and Potential Plantings

Commissioner Mullenbach will contact the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District for potential grant funding. Areas of concern are to be prioritized and an initial walk-through in the spring.

c) Community Garden Committee Report

Commissioner Wahlstedt briefed the Commission on the continuing actions of the Garden Club. The Garden Club is seeking outside help for soil testing, possibly from the Minnesota Arboretum. The Garden Club \ continues to meet at the Bird House Inn.

d) Arctic Fever Update

Commissioner Mullenbach briefed the Commission on the upcoming events.

8. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

a) December 2014 Park Capital Improvement Fund

Commissioner Craig moved, Commissioner Punch seconded, to approve the December 2014 Park Capital Improvement Fund. Motion carried 7/0.

9. MISCELLANEOUS / COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

a) Recent Council Action

Wisdorf briefed the Park and Recreation Commission on recent City Council actions.

10. UPDATES / INFORMATION

a) Next Park and Recreation Commission Meeting:

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Mullenbach moved, Commissioner Norman seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Mullenbach