

City of Excelsior
Hennepin County, Minnesota

Minutes
Park and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Chair Wolfe called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Commissioners present: Wolfe, Mullenbach, Wahlstedt

Commissioners Absent: Punch, Honzl

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Wahlstedt moved, Commissioner Mullenbach seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 3/0.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Wahlstedt moved, Commissioner Mullenbach seconded, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3/0.

4. CITIZEN REPORTS OR COMMENTS

None

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) The Commons Master Plan

Chair Wolfe briefed the board on the continuing discussions with the City Representatives, Citizens for the Commons, along with the Park and Recreation appointees, Chair Wolfe and Commissioner Honzle.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Work Session with City Council

Park and Recreation Commissions are available for the June 6, 2016 City Council Work.

7. VERBAL REPORTS

a) Partnership with Historical Society for electrical boxes:

Discussed no new updates, keep on verbal reports.

7. VERBAL REPORTS- CONTINUED

- b) Mitten Pond/ Gateway:
Discussed, on hold until Hennepin County's traffic study is ready.
- c) Arctic Fever:
Discussed, no new update.
Topics for 2017 Arctic Fever:
- Ice Carving
 - Ice Rink on Water Street
 - Art Fair in The Commons
 - Nordic Race and Grooming Equipment for staff
- d) Commons Electrical:
Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf briefed the board on the current options but no new action from City council.
- e) Dock Extension Public Process:
Add to June 14, 2016 Park and Recreation Agenda
- f) Kayak Racks:
George Street rack location was marked by Superintendent Wisdorf and is ready for installation.
- g) Community for The Commons:
Chair Wolfe briefed the board on the continuing discussions with the City Representatives, Citizens for the Commons, along with the Park and Recreation appointees, Chair Wolfe and Commissioner Honzle

8. UPDATES/INFORMATION

- (a) Ballpark Maintenance:
Commissioner Wahlstedt moved, Commissioner Mullenbach seconded, to recommend approval of the electronic scoreboard at The Commons previously vetted and submitted by the Park and Recreation with downsizing of the two side circles to have a smaller logo and the body painted in the dark green color. Motion Carried 3/0.
- (b) Proposal for Studer Park Revitalization:
Discussed, no action taken.
- (c) Erosion Control:
Discussed, no action taken.
- (d) Community Garden Committee Report:
Briefed on a recommendation to add garden mix soil to the low-lying plots to help build them up. Garden mix soil is on order along with tilling set to start soon. City to call out abandoned plots and mass email to inform renters of imposing tilling schedule.

8. UPDATES/INFORMATION - CONTINUED

- (e) Hennepin County Sports Grants:
On hold until Community for the Commons, City Council and Park and Recreation can agree on a long-term goal.
- (f) Concerts in the Park:
Briefed by Chair Wolf on the new hire for event planner .

9. MONTHLY FINANCIALS

Commissioner Wahlsted moved, Commissioner Mullenbach second, to approve as presented. Motion carried 3/0.

10. MISCELLANEOUS/ COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- a) Recent Council Action

Discussed by Board, no recent actions.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Honzl moved, Commissioner Punch seconded, to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul V. Mullenbach