

City of Excelsior
Park and Recreation Commission

Minutes

June 14, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wentz called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk Johnson administered the Oath of Office to New Park and Recreation Commissioners Doug Schmidt and Tom Wolfe.

3. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Alderink, Filippi, Rude, Schmidt, Wolfe, and Chair Wentz

Commissioners Absent: Roberts

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Alderink moved, Chair Wentz seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4/0/2, with Commissioners Schmidt and Wolfe abstaining.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Park & Recreation Commission Meeting – May 10, 2011

Commissioner Rude moved, Chair Wentz seconded, to approve the Minutes from the May 10, 2011 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented. Motion carried 4/0/2, with Commissioners Schmidt and Wolfe abstaining.

6. CITIZEN REPORTS or COMMENTS

None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Bandshell Subcommittee

The next meeting will be held on June 21, 2011 at the Shorewood Community Center. The Subcommittee is in the process of creating a more normal committee with subcommittees. Commissioner Schmidt is serving on the fundraising Subcommittee and Commissioner Wolfe is serving on the Design Subcommittee.

*** The Park and Recreation Commission agreed to move Item 8(b) up on the agenda to follow Item 7(a) to accommodate Mr. Studer.

8. NEW BUSINESS

b. Request to Rename Excelsior Parkland – Peter Studer

Peter Studer, 604 Glencoe Road, addressed the Park and Recreation Commission. Mr. Studer asked the Park and Recreation Commission to consider bringing back the "Studer Park" name to Excelsior Parkland.

Commissioner Schmidt moved, Commissioner Alderink seconded, to continue this agenda item to the July 12, 2011 Park and Recreation Commission meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

b. Park Signage

At the May meeting, the Park and Recreation Commission requested that staff bring any renderings and/or elevations that they have of the City of Excelsior signs. Alderink also agreed to provide samples of signage for the June meeting.

Following the May meeting, staff reviewed materials it had in old files and found a rendering of a sign that had been previously approved by the Park and Recreation Commission and the Heritage Preservation Commission. This information was placed in the Commission's agenda packet. Also included in the agenda packet was a number of pictures of signage from other communities that Commissioner Alderink provided.

Commissioners discuss how signage will be determined with the use of the park, which is not known at this time. Commissioners continued this agenda item to the July 12, 2011 Park and Recreation Commission meeting.

Commissioners requested that staff place "Use of Excelsior Parkland" on the July agenda for discussion.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Memorial Bench Request – Shirley Livingston

Shirley Livingston, a resident of Chanhassen, submitted a request to place a memorial bench in The Commons adjacent to Lake Minnetonka directly behind the ballfield.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Memorial Bench Request – Shirley Livingston – (Continued)

Commissioner Rude moved, Commissioner Wolfe seconded, to approve Ms. Livingston's request to place a memorial in The Commons adjacent to Lake Minnetonka directly behind the ballfield in the location depicted on the drawing she provided. Motion carried 6/0.

9. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Park and Recreation Accounts

Commissioner Alderink moved, Commissioner Filippi seconded, to approve the Monthly Financial Reports as submitted. Motion carried 6/0.

10. MISCELLANEOUS / COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

a. Recent City Council Actions

Wisdorf updated Commissioners on recent City Council actions.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wentz moved, Commissioner Alderink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. Motion carried 6/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Alderink
Secretary