

City of Excelsior

Park and Recreation Commission

Minutes

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6: 15 p.m. by Chair Rude.

Commissioners present: Filippi, Craig, Mullenbach, Norman, Wolfe, Honzl (arrived at 7:50 p.m.), and Chair Rude

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Wisdorf

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Items 6(f) – South Tonka Little League, 6(g) – Irrigation System – The Commons, and Item 7(c) – Three Rivers Park District, were added to the agenda.

Commissioner Filippi moved, Commissioner Mullenbach seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6/0.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Park and Recreation Commission Meeting –April 9, 2013

Commissioner Norman moved, Commissioner Filippi seconded, to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

4. CITIZEN REPORTS OR COMMENTS

None

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Preliminary Designs to Enhance Electrical Boxes in The Commons

Mark Nessel, Nessel Architecture, needed more time to develop the designs. The Commission continued this agenda item to the June 11, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission meeting.

b. Concerts in the Park

Commissioner Filippi reviewed the concert that was being held the following evening. The Commission discussed who would be able to volunteer to work at the concert.

The Commission requested that this continue to be an ongoing agenda item.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

c. The Commons Clean Up – Saturday, May 18, 2013

Commissioners agreed to meet by the tennis courts at 8:30 a.m.

d. Playground Improvements at The Commons

The Commission will look at and verify the playground equipment in conjunction with The Commons Clean Up event.

Wisdorf distributed a catalogue that had suggested equipment for the playground.

The Commission requested that this continue to be an ongoing agenda item.

e. Nitpicker List

No action taken due to weather conditions. The Commission requested that this continue to be an ongoing agenda item.

f. South Tonka Little League

Nothing new to report at this time. The Commission requested that this be placed on the June 11, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission agenda.

g. Irrigation System - The Commons

Wisdorf updated the Commission on the work that had been completed to date on securing bid proposals.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2013 City Council/Park & Recreation Commission Goals

The Commission requested that this item be continued to the October 15, 2013 Park and Recreation Commission meeting.

b. Request Approval for Memorial Tree

Wisdorf reported that the family of Bonnie Skadsberg is requesting permission to plant a memorial tree in The Commons. The family is requesting permission to plant a new tree near the bandshell in close proximity to the tree that was planted for her husband several years ago. The tree will be 2 ½ to 3 inches in diameter and chosen from the list of trees that the City has approved. Wisdorf said that there is space in that area for another tree.

6. NEW BUSINESS

b. Request Approval for Memorial Tree – (Continued)

Commissioner Filippi moved, Commissioner Norman seconded, to approve the request from the Skadsberg family to plant a tree near the bandshell. Motion carried 6/0.

c. Three Rivers Park District

Chair Rude stated that she would be contacting Hennepin County Park Commissioner, John Gunyou to find out what type of agreement Three Rivers Park entered into with the City of Shakopee.

7. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Park and Recreation Accounts

Commissioner Filippi moved, Commissioner Wolfe seconded, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission financial reports. Motion carried 6/0.

8. MISCELLANEOUS / COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

a. Recent City Council Actions

Wisdorf provided an overview of recent City Council actions.

b. Summit Meeting with Park Commissions from Neighboring Cities – Next Meeting, Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Rude provided a brief overview on the discussions for the new Commissioners. She noted that the quarterly meetings are likely to continue.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Filippi moved, Commissioner Honzl seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul V. Mullenbach  
Secretary