

**PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 8, 2016**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stern opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Committee Members Present: Janae Stern, Renee Rossman, Denise McDowall Seyko and Planning Commission / City Council Liaison Scott Marotz. Those Absent: Committee Members: Paul Winters. Also Present: Public Works Director Michael Goebel, Bruce Bates, Doug Peterson and George Quinn.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Member McDowall Seyko made a motion to approve the January 11, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Committee Member Rossman, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3A. DISCUSS AND MEET APPLICANTS FOR THE OPEN SEATS ON THE PARK COMMITTEE

Introductions were made by the Parks Advisory Committee Members to the applicants.

All applicants, George Quinn, Doug Peterson and Bruce Bates introduced themselves to the Parks Advisory Committee and shared their past experiences, resources, and desire to serve on the Park Advisory Committee. The applicants had a few questions for the Parks Advisory Committee and the Committee shared the workings of the Committee with the applicants. Discussion followed.

3B. DISCUSS RIVER OAKS DIS GOLF

The outline of the disc golf course in River Oaks Park that was provided in the Parks packet was reviewed. There are a total of 12 Tee's that are proposed with one practice Tee. There was a sample of a Tee box that was passed around for Committee Members to see. A variety of materials for the pads was discussed. There is also an open area for picnickers located inside the course. Public Works Director Goebel also received bids for Mach 3 Tees which was approximately \$4,300.00 for 12. The Parks Advisory Committee had no changes to the disc golf course. Public Works Director Goebel stated he will order the baskets.

Public Works Director Goebel stated he would like to begin remodeling the old restroom building that is on the site of River Oaks Park. He would like to put a new roof on it, along with a few more windows and new doors so people can use it. There is also running water at the building. STS may be available for help with the project. Public Works Director Goebel will have a price for the remodeling by next meeting.

3C. CITY COUNCIL APPROVED JANA E STERN FOR CHAIR ON PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

No Discussion.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that Greater Minnesota Regional Park and Trail Commission Grant needs to have applications by April 1, 2016. This would be two separate grants, one for River Oaks Park and the other for Lakeside Park. The approximate cost is \$3,500.00 to write a grant for Lakeside Park. They stated they will be taking 27 more applicants. The grant is 100% funded. Planning Commission / City Council Liaison Scott Marotz made a motion to spend up to \$3,500.00 to write a grant for Lakeside Park applying for the Greater Minnesota Regional Park and Trail Commission Grant, seconded by Committee Member Rossman, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

Discussion followed in regards to River Oaks Park.

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee the development off of 204th Avenue's second phase is being preliminary platted. One requirement for the developer in the first phase was for him to level off an area where he removed top soil and fix the irrigation; after requirements are completed the Parks Committee will need to decide if they want playground equipment installed on the one acre site.

Chair Stern distributed pictures of a new swing design that's available that could replace a baby swing in the future if the need arises.

Discussion took place regarding park dedication fees with commercial/industrial development.

Planning Commission/Council Liaison Marotz shared with the Committee that the Ice Board is looking at a parcel of land by the Friendly Buffalo to put a rink and boards on it for next year's hockey and possibly a few tournaments. The Ice Board is inquiring if the Parks Board would like to partner with them. Discussion followed. No action taken.

5. STAFF UPDATE

Committee Member McDowall Seyko made a motion to accept Doug Peterson, George Quinn and Bruce Bates' applications to serve as Park Advisory Committee Members, seconded by Planning Commission/Council Liaison Marotz, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

6. NEW BUSINESS - none

7. ADJOURN

Committee Member Rossman motioned to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Seconded by Planning Commission/Council Liaison Marotz, unanimous ayes, motion carried.