

**PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 13, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Janae Stern opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Committee Members Present: Janae Stern, Denise McDowall Seyko, David Schreiber, Renee Rossman, Planning Commission Liaison Scott Marotz and City Council Liaison Nick Christenson. Also Present: Public Works Director Michael Goebel. Those Absent: Katrine Nau and Paul Winters.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Member Rossman, made a motion to approve the March 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Committee Member Schreiber, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3A. DISC GOLF IN HUDSON WOODS PARK

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that he met with the representative from disc golf, they visited the site and discussed what the needs were for disc golf in the park. Six baskets were ordered last week for disc golf; they will be numbered and placed more in the wooded area away from the playground equipment. Public Works Director stated they can be portable. Discussion followed.

3B. DISCUSS TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE TRAIL PROGRAM

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that the Transportation Alternative Trail Program has approved the City's grant application which will now go to MNDOT for their approval. A map was included in the Park Packet showing the proposed trail route. With this grant the City's financial portion will be approximately \$90,000.00. Discussion followed.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

4A. BEVERLY ANDERSON'S RESIGNATION

Beverly Anderson resigned from the Park Board. The Park Board accepted her resignation. Discussion followed regarding if the Committee would like to post the open position. No action taken, the item was tabled.

5. STAFF UPDATE

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that City Council is interviewing candidates for the City Administrators job. A decision should be made soon.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that Fudgin Delicious Ice Cream from Big Lake will be the vendor at Lakeside Park this year and will also be set up during Music in the Park and the Farmer's Market.

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that the City received a grant for weed treatment in Big Lake and Mitchell Lake. The grant was also received for boat inspections which will be performed by a DNR Officer at the boat launch.

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that new equipment was ordered for Powell Park for items that needed replacing.

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that Music in the Park's first concert will be June 4th, the Farmer's Market will begin June 3rd, and Graniteman will take place on August 8th with volunteers needed.

Public Works Director Goebel informed the Committee that he is still working on the Park Plan Grant thru the SHIP Program. We might be able to work with the County on this.

Committee Member McDowall Seyko inquired about a sign that is not legible located on a walkway. Public Works Director Goebel stated the sign will be coming down and replaced by a new sign.

Vice Chair Stern would like to see disc golf promoted once the baskets are in placed in Hudson Woods Park. Public Works Director Goebel stated that we can update our web-site with that information and include the information on the signs in the park. It was also suggested to see if there is a list of disc golf courses somewhere that we can put the name of our park on.

Committee Member McDowall Seyko inquired if the exercise equipment at Lakeside Park is being used.

Vice Chair Stern informed the Committee that a sports committee will be building a pavilion at the baseball field this spring.

7. ADJOURN

Committee Member McDowall Seyko motioned to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Seconded by Committee Member Schreiber, unanimous ayes, motion carried.