

**PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 13, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Katrine Nau opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Committee Members Present: Katrine Nau, Denise McDowall Seyko, Eugene Earney, Renee Rossman, Planning Commission Liaison Scott Marotz and City Council Liaison Nick Christenson. Also Present: Public Works Director Michael Goebel, Beverly Anderson and Megan Barthel a student of St. Cloud State University. Those Absent: Committee Member Janae Stern.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Member Rossman motioned to approve the April 8, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by McDowall Seyko, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

(order of discussion was moved to 4. Other Business)

4. OTHER BUSINESS - None

5. STAFF UPDATE – None

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A. TOWN SQUARE APARTMENTS

Public Works Director Goebel updated the Committee in regards to the Town Square Apartments. Town Square Apartments will be a 29 unit building located on an empty lot behind Coborn's. The Park Dedication fee for this project is \$72,500.00 with no land available for a park. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Committee Member Rossman to recommend to City Council to take Park Dedication in monetary value of \$72,500.00. Seconded by Planning Commission Liaison Marotz, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

6B. OPEN SEATS ON THE PARK BOARD

Two applications were received to fill the open seats on the Parks Advisory Committee from City Residents David Schreiber and Beverly Anderson. Introductions were made to Beverly Anderson from the Park Board. Beverly Anderson shared with the Park Board her life history, interests, experiences and present hobbies that may benefit the Park Board. Discussion followed. Chair Nau thanked Beverly Anderson for her interest and attendance. The Parks Committee will discuss the applicants at a later time for consideration and get back to both of them.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3A. PARK SURVEY

Megan Barthel a student of St. Cloud State University shared with the Committee the results of the survey including a conceptual drawing and models for ideas in River Oaks Park. A total of 77 surveys were received from City residents. Discussion followed regarding the amenities in the park and shelters. Megan asked the Committee to email her with any additional changes and she will make them. The Parks Committee would like the model at the River Oaks Park Open House on June 2nd. Discussion also followed regarding grants for this park.

3B. RIVER OAKS PARK OPEN HOUSE

Committee Member Nau shared with the Committee the various businesses and organizations that have committed to the Open House and those organizations that have declined. Discussion followed. Committee Member McDowall Seyko made a motion to call a Special Meeting on Monday, May 20th at 6:30 at River Oaks Park to discuss the River Oaks Park Open House on Sunday, June 2nd. Seconded by Committee Member Rossman, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

7. ADJOURN

Committee Member McDowall Seyko motioned to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Seconded by Committee Member Earney, unanimous ayes, motion carried.