October 28, 2019 Park & Recreation Minutes


1. Call to Order.
   Call to order at 6:03pm

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 23, 2019
   Peters motioned, seconded by Strandberg to approve as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

3. New Business
   Walking Paths - Trails.
   Peters commented on the new trails that were installed. Vita informed that her children walk them daily and comment on the great addition to the City. Strandberg questioned if signs would be installed along the newly constructed trails. Gerold will check into the trail signage. Gerold educated that the trail is being worked on by both Sherburne and Mille Lacs counties for a larger trail plan. Discussion on plowing of the trail took place.

4. Reports by Staff
   A. Mark Park
      Gerold stated that the park is winterized. Solar lights are installed at the batting cages to reduce vandalism. Gerold to check with Haus if the netting will be removed over winter. Strandberg questioned how lighting occurs for youth football games. Gerold informed the Board that to whom checks out the fields is responsible to turn on and turn off the field lights.

   B. Splash Park
      No updates.

   C. Riverside Park.
      Gerold indicated that the water from all the rain is finally receding. Canoes and Kayaks were removed.

   D. Rainbow Park
      Gerold informed that the park is doing well. Porta Potties have been removed and his team is maintaining the trees.

   E. Riebe Park
      Gerold informed that an archaeologist is coming to survey the park next week. Conversation took plan on why the archaeological study is needed and importance. Gerold is working to obtain a topo of the park which is needed for the campground.

   F. Pioneer Park
      Gerold is working with Prairie Restoration on some repairs. Voce informed that the outdoor classrooms that his school received a grant to have as an amenity is nearly complete with the work of City Staff. The plan is a classroom by the river. Next steps is benches and aggregate.
G. Riverview Terrace Nature Park
   No updates.

H. Civic Center Park
   No updates.

5. Old Business
   Gerold presented an update to the grant. The Engineer is working on the fishing pier footings. The archaeologist is first, but it has been too wet for this to occur. The pier will have no impact to the river and is not changing the river.

6. Miscellaneous
   Vita inquired to whether a ribbon-cutting for the trail is in the plans for the new trail. Gerold stated that it is on the plans. Voce indicated that he will work to get kids at the event.

   November meeting date is tentatively planned for the 25th. This will only occur if needed.

   Vita’s term is up in December.

7. Adjourn
   Motion by Vita, second by Broding to adjourn at 6:40pm. Motion carried unanimously.