

Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee Thursday, April 3, 2017, 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Thursday, April 3, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. in the Women's Club Room, Second Floor, Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT No	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Paul Anderson – Chair	X			
Sam Davey	Χ			
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair		X	X	
Rick Semo, ex-officio, non-voting		Х	X	
Marion True	X			
Bruce Vuorenmaa	Χ			
Linda Jindrich	Χ			
Paul Kostelnik	Χ			
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Also present, Community Development Director Tom Bergman Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the March 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Davey to approve the amended March 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes. **Second** by Kostelnik. **Motion carried 6 to 0**.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by True to approve the agenda. Second by Jindrich. Motion carried 6 to 0.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on Items on the agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.

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- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 7. Items for discussion and consideration:
 - A. Comprehensive/Park and Recreation Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action Items:
 - I. Strategy 4.5 Define and Construct Priority Trail Improvements (Regional Trail to Miners and Beltline) All Members.
 - a. Update on grant application for beltline.
 - Director Bergman stated that he had applied for a DNR Acquisition Grant and has been in conversation with most of the property owners. Bergman discussed the application with the Committee. Director Bergman discussed the short-term and long-term path from the Iron Belle to the Miners Park using city streets and signage.
 - II. Strategy 5.4(a) Strengthen and Implement the Master Plan for Miners Memorial Heritage Park (MMHP) Kostelnik.
 - a. Kostelnik composed a 30-page summary of the master plan. He also updated the Committee on upcoming meetings with the ORV group and discussed "Art in the Park" and the new dog park. Bergman stated that he met with Aaron Ruotsala with Ottawa Forest Products to discuss the trail easement in the MMHP.
 - III. Park Action Plan.
 - a. Playground North of US Hwy 2 Anderson, Davey, True.
 - i. Update on Grant Application
 - 1. Director Bergman stated that he sent in the \$50,000 application to the DNR.
 - Implement Bike Routes on City Streets (Sign/stripe) Anderson, Davey, Kangas, True.
 - i. Discussion on Gogebic Health Foundation Grant Application
 - 1. Director Bergman stated that the City is applying for a grant through the health foundation to sign bike routes from the Iron Belle Trail to Mt. Zion.
 - c. Mt. Zion Improvements Anderson, Davey, Kangas, True, Jindrich.
 - i. Chair Anderson gave an update on the project and stated that it is close to being completed.
- 8. Other Business: Director Bergman updated the Committee on a parcel that will be coming before them at the next meeting.
- 9. Next Meeting: Monday, May 1, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjournment: **Motion** by Davey to adjourn the meeting. **Second** by True. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.** Adjournment at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Paul Anderson, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant