



**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Monday, February 5, 2018, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, February 5, 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	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Paul Anderson – Chair	X			
Sam Davey	X			
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair		X	X	
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting	X			
Marion True	X			
Linda Jindrich	X			
Paul Kostelnik	X			
John Brottlund	X			
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Also present, Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the January 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Davey to approve the January 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes. **Second** by True. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Davey to approve the amended agenda. **Second** by True. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

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

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
 - i. Erickson updated the Committee stating that the City is still waiting for official award confirmation.
- b. Update on Neighborhood Enhancement Grant (Trail Connections)
 - i. Erickson stated that the City has partnered with the Gogebic Range Health Foundation and is awaiting the award confirmation.
- c. Recommend applying for DNR Trust Fund Grant for Mountain Bike Trail Development in Miners Memorial Heritage Park: Anderson updated the Committee on some of the specifics of the project. True discussed utilizing the trails that are already available. Anderson stated that they are looking at incorporating the snow shoe trails and then extending the trails. Kostelnik discussed some concerns with 10 miles of trail being built in the park.

Motion by Davey to recommend to the City Commission to apply for a DNR Trust Fund Grant to develop the mountain bike trails in the Miners Memorial Heritage Park. **Second** by Jindrich. **Motion carried 4 to 2 with True and Kostelnik not in favor.**

II. Strategy 5.4(a) Strengthen and Implement the Master Plan for Miners Memorial Heritage Park and Dog Park (MMHP) – Kostelnik.

- a. Kostelnik presented a draft of the MMHP master plan.
- b. Easement from school property.
 - i. Davey stated that he has been in discussion with Superintendent Tim Kolesar discussing a permanent easement through the school property in the MMHP.

III. Park Action Plan.

- a. Playground North of US Hwy 2 – Anderson, Davey, True.
 - i. The Committee discussed the project.

Motion by Anderson to allow City staff to use their discretion on whether to apply for the grant. **Second** by True. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

IV. Safety Issues for Iron Belle Trail

- a. Davey discussed the need for a safer trail by limiting trail crossings where motorized vehicles cross the Iron Belle Trail.

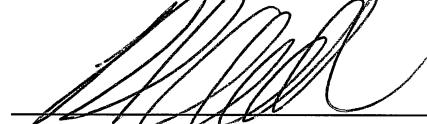
Motion by Davey to have City staff review motorized crossings of the Iron Belle Trail to make it safer for trail users. **Second** by Jindrich. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

8. Other Business: True discussed the need for the local media to pay more attention on the Fighting Yoopers.

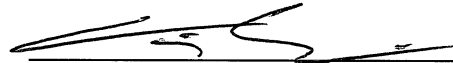
9. Next Meeting: March 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

10. Adjournment: **Motion** by Davey to adjourn the meeting. **Second** by Anderson. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.** Adjournment at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Paul Anderson, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant