

Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee Monday, January 6, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. at Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room, 213 S. Marquette St., Ironwood, Michigan.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Davey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT YES NO		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Paul Kostelnik	Χ			
Sam Davey	Χ			
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair		X	X	
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting	Х			
Mary Grace Loreti	Χ			
Linda Jindrich	_ X			
Randy Kirchhoff	χ _	_		
Vacant				
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Also present, Community Development Director, Tom Bergman, Community Development Specialist, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the November 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the November 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Second by Kirchhoff. Motion carried 5 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Jindrich to approve the amended Agenda. Second by Kostelnik. Motion carried 5 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. Update on City Square Project.
 - I. Director Bergman said that a consultant contractor is on board for the architecture and design. Wednesday will be a stakeholder meeting for the design. City staff will be going to Lansing to present the project to get the grant agreement. Corcoran brought up the war memorial at the post office being moved to the City Square location.
 - B. Discussion on Annual Parks and Recreation User Summit.
 - Director Bergman said that he has approached a couple speakers for the event if that is
 the direction of the Summit. He also talked about doing the summit at the Aurora Club.
 The Committee agreed to do the Summit at the Aurora Club in May.
 - C. Discussion on DNR Grant Applications for 2020.
 - I. Director Bergman brought up Norrie Park and cleanup of the Montreal River. As part of the DIDA's main goals is Montreal River access, Bergman discussed the Parks and Rec Committee focusing on this project in coordination with the DIDA's goals. Bergman suggested that Neil Corcoran the Parks Maintenance Supervisor help with Norrie Park improvements and funding priorities. He brought up that DNR grants have been opened for applications for the City to apply. Davey talked about focusing on lighting the ski trails at the Miners Park. Bergman said that both 2019 applications have been funded. He will present the three different projects to the DNR to see which one is most likely to be funded.
 - D. 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).
 - Update on Southern Beltline Trail Acquisition Project.
 - i. Director Bergman said that the City has been funded for phase 2 and he will be trying to wrap up phase 1. He talked about getting some matching funds for the development of the trails.
 - b. Update on Mountain Bike Trail Development in Miners Memorial Heritage Park.
 - i. Director Bergman said that he is hoping to hear back from the DNR in the next week. The City can obtain bids after they hear back. He talked about starting with the beginner and intermediate trails first to be able to be added on to in future development phases.
 - II. Strategy 5.4(a) Strengthen and Implement the Master Plan for Miners Memorial Heritage Park (MMHP).

- a. No update.
- III. Park Action Plan.
 - a. Playground North of US Hwy 2.
 - i. The City will be going out to bid for next summer.
- 8. Other Business: None.
- 9. Next Meeting: Monday, February 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjournment: **Motion** by Jindrich to adjourn the meeting. **Second** by Loreti. **Motion Carried 5 to 0.** Adjournment at 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Specialist