



IRONWOOD
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**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Thursday, September 9, 2021, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the City of Ironwood Memorial Building, Women’s Club Room, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Paul Kostelnik	X			
Sam Davey	X			
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair	X			
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting	X			
Mary Grace Loreti	X			
Linda Jindrich	X			
Randy Kirchhoff	X			
Jake Ring		X	X	
	5	3		

Also present; Community Development Director Tom Bergman, Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the August 2, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kirchhoff to approve the Meeting Minutes. Second by Kangas. Motion carried 6 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Jindrich to approve the Agenda. Second by Kostelnik. 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. Update on Playground North of US2.

I. The playground equipment is delivered and will be installed shortly.

B. 2021 Goals.

I. Develop Playground Priority List (Complete).

a. Complete

II. Annual Workshop with City Commission (Schedule for Fall).

a. The date needs to be selected.

III. Parks and Rec User Summit.

a. The Chamber has postponed their event and the City will be looking at doing one with another entity.

IV. Invasive Species Grant Opportunities.

a. Ian Shackleford suggested to do a forest management plan before doing any invasive species work. The plan will help the City choose which areas of the City to focus on. Director Bergman will look into the next steps and will change the item name to forest management.

V. Volunteer Coordination.

a. There is a possibility to work with the chamber.

VI. Lighted Ski Trail.

a. No update.

C. Motorized Update – GRTA

I. Jerry with the GRTA addressed the Committee and said that they will be getting with Scott to discuss different crossings and potential changes to the crossings. They discussed the potential for a wash station for ORV's.

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).

a. Update on Southern Beltline Trail Acquisition Project Phase 1 & 2.

- i. The City requested an extension for the project.
- b. Update on Mountain Bike Trail Development in Miners Memorial Heritage Park.
 - i. The trailhead and connector trail has been completed. The final payment and final walk through needs to be completed.
- c. Update on Curry Park upgrade phase 2.
 - i. The bid spec will be sent out this Winter.
- d. Norrie Park Renovation and Montreal River Water Trail.
 - i. The project agreement will be sent to the City Commission at the next meeting.

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

- a. No update.

8. Other Business: The Committee

Motion by Loreti to do a hybrid format. Second by Jindrich. Motion carried 6 to 0.

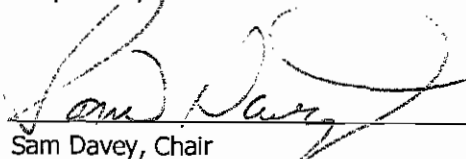
Loreti discussed doing a self-guided cemetery tour. The Parks and Rec Committee will include this on the agenda.

Loreti suggested placing the Ironwood website on location of the Hiawatha Statue site. Bergman suggested adding it to the new kiosk.

9. Next Meeting: Thursday, October 4, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

10. **Adjournment: Motion by Kostelnik to adjourn the meeting. Second by Kangas. Motion Carried 4 to 0. Adjournment at 5:27 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted



Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant