



**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Thursday, November 1, 2021, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Thursday, November 1, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the City of Ironwood Memorial Building, Auditorium and Zoom Video Conferencing, 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	X	
Linda Jindrich		X	X	
Randy Kirchhoff	X			
Jake Ring		X	X	
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Also present; Community Development Director Tom Bergman, Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the October 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kangas to approve the Meeting Minutes. Second by Kostelnik. Motion carried 4 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the amended Agenda. Second by Kangas. Motion carried 4 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. No update.
 - B. 2021 Goals.
 - I. Develop Playground Priority List (Complete).
 - II. Annual Workshop with City Commission (Schedule for Fall).
 - a. Will be scheduled after the new commission is installed.
 - III. Forest Management Plan
 - a. The staff looked for a plan but were unsuccessful. The Parks and Rec Committee will look to add to the goals for the next year.
 - IV. Volunteer Coordination (Chamber of Commerce event)
 - a. The City of Ironwood will have a booth and will present a survey for parks users to fill out.
 - V. Lighted Ski Trail.
 - a. Bergman talked to Enbridge about the possibility of a donation for this type of project.
 - C. Motorized Update – GRTA
 - I. Jerry with the GRTA discussed a signage project with the City. The GRTA put in a new trail from Aurora Club to Hiawatha.
 - 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 is waiting on the final report. The trail will be a multi-use trail according to the application.
 - b. Update on Mountain Bike Trail Development in Miners Memorial Heritage Park.
 - i. The trail building company subcontracted to a trail designer. Bergman along with Miners Park Reps met with the designer when he was here.

The designer did not complete the full design and will get that wrapped up in the Spring.

- c. Update on Curry Park upgrade phase 2.
 - i. The project agreement is complete and will be getting bids for the coming summer.
- d. Norrie Park Renovation and Montreal River Water Trail.
 - i. The map for the project is being worked on.

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

- a. Kangas stated that the board election has happened. They are currently working on equipment and some events. This item will change to Miners Park update.

8. Other Business:

A. Mt. Zion Rural Development Grant.

- I. The Gogebic Range Health Foundation received a grant for a trail system planning grant for Mt. Zion. The City of Ironwood and Gogebic Community College were involved with the project. The City will apply for a rural development grant to get \$100,000 for a grant.

Motion by Kangas to recommend to the City Commission to apply for the grant. Second by Kirchhoff. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Corcoran gave an update for a few issues with the City Square.

9. Next Meeting: Monday, December 6, 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