



**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Thursday, May 2, 2022, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Thursday, May 2, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. at the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Auditorium, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

1. Call to Order:

Vice-Chair Kangas 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	X	
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair	X			
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting	X			
Mary Grace Loreti	X			
Linda Jindrich	X			
Randy Kirchhoff		X	X	
Jake Ring		X	X	
	5	3		

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

3. Approval of the April 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

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

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the amended Agenda. Second by Jindrich. 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. Audience with Maxwell Ramsay of the Gogebic Conservation District.
 - A. A representative of Gogebic conservation District presented before the Committee. The Parks and Rec Committee discussed invasive species removal.
8. Items for discussion and consideration:
 - A. 2022 goal settings.
 - I. Cemetery Historical Walk: Nothing to report.
 - II. Forest Management Plan: Director Bergman will reach out to the Conservation District.
 - III. Volunteer Coordination (Chamber of Commerce event): No update.
 - IV. Lighted Ski Trail: The grant application has been submitted. The DNR will be giving the initial scoring and allowing for supplemental information. Director Bergman expects a good result.
 - V. Pickleball/Tennis Court: Corcoran asked if the courts could be installed at Norrie Park. Tennis court surface is ideal. Loreti said that she has seen portable nets on tennis court. Kangas had a thought of including a pickleball court at the high school baseball field.
 - B. Motorized Update – GRTA.
 - I. Director Bergman gave an update on the stop signs along the Iron Belle Trail. The GRTA is finalizing the ATV trail from Wakefield to Hurley. Jerry from the GRTA suggested placing dirt on the ATV trail to control some of the dust along the trail. The City will be painting lines along the shared motorized and non-motorized trails. Director Bergman has a meeting with the railroad company and a surveyor for the Southern Beltline Trail Acquisition.
 - C. Comprehensive/Park and Recreation Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action Items:
 - I. Strategy 4.5 Define and Construct Priority Trail Improvements (Project Updates for MMHP MTB Trails, Curry Park, Southern Beltline Trail Acquisition, Norrie Park Renovation and Water Trail).
 - a. The contractors will be starting at the beginning of June for the Miners Park trails. The Curry Park project will be out for bid soon and the sites will be shutdown sometime in mid-September. The Norrie Park Renovation and Water Trail project agreement will be wrapping up soon. Corcoran asked about ADA parking as part of the Norrie Park plan. Corcoran asked about the tree removal for the Norrie Park Water Trail.
 - II. Miners Memorial Heritage Park Update.

- a. Kangas gave a brief update on the Miners Memorial Heritage Park. Loreti asked about any volunteer times coming up.
9. Other Business: The Parks and Recreation Committee would like to recommend dedicating a memorial for Everett Nasi at the Little League Field.

Motion by Jindrich to recommend to the City Commission to dedicate a memorial plaque for Everett Nasi at the Little League Field. Second by Kostelnik. Motion carried 4 to 0.

10. Next Meeting: Monday, June 6, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

11. **Adjournment: Motion by Kangas to adjourn the meeting. Second by Loreti. Motion Carried 4 to 0. Adjournment at 5:40 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted



Sam Davey, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant