



**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Monday, June 5, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, June 5, 2023 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:

Chairman 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			
Jerry Nezworski	X			
Danielle Boyette	X			
Randy Kirchhoff	X			
Jake Ring		X	X	
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Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kirchhoff to approve the Meeting Agenda. Second by Nezworski. Motion carried 6 to 0.

4. Approval of the May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the Minutes. Second by Kangas. 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. Iron Belle Mountain Bike Trail: Director Bergman discussed the potential for mountain bike trail being constructed along the Iron Belle Trail. Funding mechanisms were talked about. The funding could be accrued over the years for larger projects or spent annually for small projects and or maintenance.

- B. Adjacent Property to Miners Park east of Bonnie Street: Director Bergman presented the map of the property. The current owner is selling this property. The property is zoned open, which means that nothing can be constructed on it. If acquired, this property would extend the Miners Park. Fencing would need to be constructed around sink holes if the City purchases the land.

Motion by Kangas to recommend to the City Commission to purchase the property. Second by Kirchoff. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- C. Update on Pickleball Courts – Resurfacing of Norrie Park Tennis Courts: The City Manager is still working on the paving projects and the resurfacing may be included this season.
- D. Motorized Trails Update – GRTA: Nezworski mentioned one intersection along the Iron Belle Trail that needs to be addressed.
- E. Project Updates (Hiawatha Park Expansion, Forest Management Plan, Southern Beltline Acquisition, Curry Park, Miners Park MTB Trail, Norrie Park Renovation):

Hiawatha Park Expansion: Staff met with Penchura and the donor. They discussed some other funding and layouts of the park. A rough plan will be together by Festival Ironwood. The City Commission and Parks and rec will need to be on board for the designs and funding mechanisms.

Forest Management Plan: The forester was in town to start the field work.

Southern Beltline Acquisition: Director Bergman is meeting with the attorney.

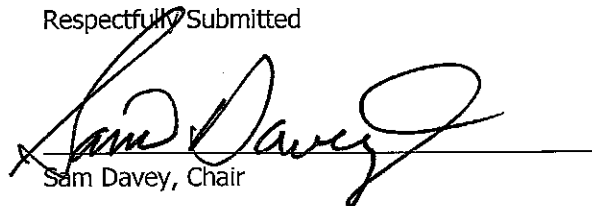
Curry Park: Bid spec is still in process. Davey suggested marketing the Curry Park campground more.

Miners Park MTB Trail: The trails will be completed in early August. Sign posts are currently being installed.

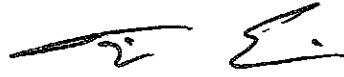
Norrie Park Renovation: No report.

8. Other Business – Reminder of expiring terms.
9. Next Meeting: Monday, June 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.
10. **Adjournment: Motion by Kostelnik to adjourn the meeting. Second by Nezworski. Motion Carried 6 to 0. Adjournment at 5:32 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted



Sam Davey, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant