



**Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee
Monday, August 7, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, August 7, 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			
Vacant				
Randy Kirchhoff	X			
Jake Ring	X			
	7	0		

Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the Agenda:

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

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

Motion by Kirchhoff to approve the Minutes. 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. Hiawatha Park Expansion MEDC Patronicity Crowdfunding Grant: Bergman and Erickson updated the Committee on the project.

- B. Update on Forest Management Plan Draft: Bergman asked everyone to check for errors or things out of place in the draft document that was recently provided.
- C. Motorized Trails Update – GRTA: The reroute is starting to fall in place.
- D. Parks and Recreation 5-year Plan Update: The plan needs to be completed by January 1st to be able to apply for trust fund applications.
- E. Project Updates (Hiawatha Park Expansion, Forest Management Plan, Southern Beltline Acquisition, Curry Park, Miners Park MTB Trail, Norrie Park Renovation):

Forest Management Plan: The draft has been distributed and is being reviewed.

Southern Beltline Acquisition: No update.

Curry Park: Bid spec is still in process. Three phase power is needed to get the upgrades complete. The project will be bigger than expected. The project will be completed in 2024.

Miners Park MTB Trail: The project is wrapping up and the maps are being completed. Signage will be up at the end of September.


Norrie Park Renovation: The costs are expected to be increasing. The water trail may need to be minimized.

- 8. Other Business: Corcoran mentioned that the bell chalet has been installed along the Iron Belle Trail in Hurley. Nezworski brought up the Ayer street property for pickleball courts.
- 9. Next Meeting: Monday, September 14, 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 5:31 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted



Sam Davey, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant