

WAYZATA PARKS & TRAILS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

7/15/20

Attendees: Chair Dan Baasen, Merrily Borg Babcock, Mary Bader, Jim McWethy, Ty Purdy, Sarah Randolph, and Sarah Showalter.

Staff: Mike Kelly, Director of Public Works

Absent: Tory Schalkle

Members of the public included Nate Leding.

Call to Order: Chair Dan Baasen called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Motions to Amend and Approve Agenda: Jim McWethy motioned to amend agenda to include discussion regarding Little Beach, Dan Baasen motioned to amend to added discussion regarding partnership with Wayzata Community Education, and Mary Bader motioned to amend to add discussion regarding grant opportunities. Merrily Borg Babcock motioned to approve agenda as amended, McWethy seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Minutes: Borg Babcock motioned to approve the minutes from 5/20/20 meeting and Bader seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

No public comment.

Old Business:

Park Signage: Borg Babcock provided update on work to develop plan for cohesive signage for parks. Members disused having signs that are substantial, simple, weather resistant and consistent, variation in size of signs depending upon park. Other design elements included including "Wayzata" on sign and cohesive family of signs to present to City Council for approval to be implemented as budget constraints allow over a few years. Borg Babcock will focus on possible designs for Klapprich Park for review at next meeting.

Playground: RFP is not yet prepared but Mike Kelly and City staff will be working on that prior to next meeting.

Communication: Bader provided an update that we suspended updates to the 268 subscribers to the Parks & Trails newsletter due to the COVID shut down. Discussion around moving to a quarterly update to subscribers and continuing to coordinate with City's other communication avenues. Mike Kelly will discuss with Bobbie at City.

New Business: None

Other Business:

Wai Nani Surf & Paddle: Board discussed possibly of connecting with Andrew Mullin to see if there is interest in sharing info about his offerings. Questions of whether offerings will be expanded. Mullin will be invited to next meeting.

Little Beach: Jim McWethy asked for update on City efforts to improve the area, as raised by neighbors attending the February 2019 Park & Trails board meeting. Mike Kelly advised that the crews have done clean up in the beach area but no improvements are planned this year. Board discussed possibility of installing more kayak racks.

Development/Grant Opportunity: Borg Babcock received an inquiry whether there was interest in pursuing environment grants.

Community Education: Dan Baasen reported he has been trying to connect with Wayzata Community Education who was largely unavailable during spring COVID restrictions. He expects to be able to meet and discuss now and will have an update by the next meeting.

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

- Signage
- Playground update
- Invite Andrew Mullin
- Update from Baasen regarding offer to explore environmental grants
- Baasen update from Wayzata Community Ed.

Adjourn: Bader moved to adjourn at 8:28 p.m., seconded by Borg Babcock. Motion passed 6-0.