

***PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING – JUNE 18, 2020
MINUTES***

Members of the Park and Recreation Commission met at Strootman Park at 6:20 for a tour.

The Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting of the Andover Park and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chair Lindahl on June 18, 2020, 7:00 p.m., at the Andover City Hall, 1885 Crosstown Boulevard NW, Andover, Minnesota.

Commissioners Present: Chair Jim Lindahl, Commissioners Mark Miskowiec, Jake Widmyer, Kathy McElhose (remote), Tracy Strombeck, and Sophia Newton

Commissioners Absent: Angela Marinello

Also Present: Assistant Public Works Director, Todd Haas
Parks Supervisor, Jason Grode (remote)

RESIDENT FORUM

No one appeared to address the Commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 7, 2020 Work Session

Motion by Strombeck, seconded by Miskowiec, to approve the May 7, 2020 Work Session Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carries 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent vote (Marinello)

May 21, 2020 Regular Meeting

Motion by Widmyer, seconded by Miskowiec, to approve the May 21, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carries 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent vote (Marinello)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Miskowiec, seconded by Widmyer, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carries 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent vote (Marinello)

***RECOMMEND ACCEPTING DONATION FROM LEGACY RESTORATION/
TIMBER RIVER PARK SHELTER IMPROVEMENTS***

Assistant Public Works Director Haas stated Legacy Restoration has offered to donate supplies and labor for both roofs at Timber River Park Shelter.

Motion by Strombeck, seconded by Newton, to recommend to the City Council acceptance of the donation from Legacy Restoration for Timber River Park Shelter Improvements.

Motion was taken by roll call:

Lindahl - aye

Marinello - absent

Miskowiec - aye

Widmyer - aye

McElhose - aye

Strombeck - aye

Newton - aye

Motion carries 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent vote (Marinello)

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

Andover Community Center Advisory Committee Update: Commissioner Strombeck reported she attended two meetings of the Advisory Committee. The Committee discussed user fees and made a recommendation to Council. Mr. Haas updated the Commission on the construction at the Community Center.

Completed Projects: Mr. Haas stated the ASN ball field lighting is finished.

On-going Projects: Mr. Haas stated Prairie Knoll Park will be put off until 2021 because of storm water design requirements have changed since the plan was done in 2014 and the City will need to update plan and submit for a permit from Coon Creek Watershed District.

Items of Interest: Mr. Haas stated the trail at Kelsey Round Lake Park has been paved, graded, and seeded. He explained the ASN and Hills of Bunker Lake West Park trails will be constructed yet this summer. Mr. Haas provided an update on the pedestrian trails for 2022 and 2023.

Parks Maintenance Update: Parks Supervisor Grode provided information about parks maintenance and usage.

Commissioner Newton asked if the sprinklers were on a timer because she heard irrigation was running during the day at Sunshine Park. Mr. Grode stated staff were troubleshooting the system at Sunshine Park and had it on during the day.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Commissioner Strombeck asked how the Andover Community Center is classified: an indoor park or other classification. Mr. Haas stated it is a community center and there was participation from the Park Commission to help pay for it. Mr. Haas replied he will clarify how the City has classifies the Community Center and report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Miskowiec asked when the Commission is meeting with Council and would like to know how the Park Commission fits in with the Community Center.

Chair Lindahl stated there has been four-wheeler activity in Strootman Park and it can be traced back to the property where it came from. Chair Lindahl would like the resident to be talked to. Mr. Haas stated the City will identify who it is and ask the Sheriff to talk to the resident. Chair Lindahl asked if the City should post a sign near access points.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Miskowiec, seconded by Strombeck, to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Motion was taken by roll call:

Lindahl - aye

Marinello - absent

Miskowiec - aye

Widmyer - aye

McElhose - aye

Strombeck - aye

Newton - aye

Motion carries 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent vote (Marinello)

Respectfully Submitted,

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