

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES – May 25th, 2021 - 5:00 P.M.
ISANTI COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
555 18th Ave SW, Cambridge, MN 55008

Voting Members Present: Susan Blom, Dave Oslund, Kathy Szczech, Rebecca Mauriala-Kuehn, Bill Carlson, Lee Kingsbury, Dave Ringstad, Richard Reichle, Wayne Anderson, Carol Urness, Luke Merrill

Staff Present: Barry Wendorf

- A.** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Bill Carlson.
Merrill motioned, Ringstad seconded to approve the meeting agenda. **Motion carried.**
- B.** Minutes – Oslund motioned, Ringstad seconded, to approve meeting minutes of April 27th, 2021. **Motion carried.**
- C.** Springvale Park Master Plan Presentation – Jody Rader with HKGI, gave a presentation to the Park Board regarding the purpose, deliverables, timeline, community engagement, programming and partnership, natural resources review, and concept plan. Jody will be attending the July Meeting to provide an update.
- D.** Budget Report – Merrill motioned, Blom seconded to approve the April Budget Report. **Motion carried.**
- E.** Bills and Invoices – Ringstad motioned, Urness seconded to pay 21 bills totaling \$46,550.55 for the month of June. **Motion carried.**
- F.** Director's Report
1. Programs & Events – PDGA Tournament to be held June 19th. Scavenger Hunt starting June 1st at Anderson Park sponsored by the Friends of Anderson Park. Medallion Hunt is scheduled for the week of August 23rd. The Fall Festival will be held on September 18th at Anderson Park. Chisago County 4H is planning to hold a day camp regarding bicycles and the single track at Springvale Park on June 30th.
 2. Structure Removal – A public notice was advertised with a solicitation for bids for removal of 5 structures within Isanti County Parks.
 3. Single Track Trail – Trail Crew came back to complete Phase II with an additional \$11,400 cost from the Park Reserve Fund.
 4. Park Visitor Numbers through April 2021 were reported.
- G.** Other Business
1. Environmental Services Division Update – Barry Wendorf, the Park Director, was hired to be the Environmental Services Division Leader overseeing Parks, Zoning, and Extension.
 2. SWCD Grant Projects – Merrill motioned, seconded by Ringstad to accept the low bid from MNL in the amount of \$22,750 to complete the 10 acre Wetland Restoration at Vegsund Family County Park. **Motion carried.** Reichle motioned, seconded by Urness to accept the low bid from Natural Resource Services in the amount of \$11,558 to complete 6 acres of Pollinator Restoration at Becklin Homestead County Park. **Motion carried.**
 3. Per Diems.
 4. Hanson Property – Neighbor to the west of the Springvale Park parking lot is interested in trading an equal amount of property from their eastern boundary to their western boundary. Anderson motioned, seconded by Ringstad to recommend this property exchange. **Motion carried.**
 5. Anderson Park Development Grant – The Park Director will submit Park Legacy Grant Application for development at Anderson Park consistent with Phase 1 of the Updated Master Plan. This includes walking trails, horse trails, parking areas, restrooms, off-leash dog area, and boardwalks.
- H.** Next Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, June 22nd, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.
- I.** Ringstad motioned, Reichle seconded to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Submitted by,
Barry Wendorf – Isanti County Parks Director