

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES – June 22nd, 2021 - 5:00 P.M.
BECKLIN HOMESTEAD COUNTY PARK
34605 Holly St NW, Cambridge, MN 55008

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

Voting Members Absent: Rebecca Mauriala-Kuehn

Staff Present: Barry Wendorf

- A.** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Bill Carlson.
Oslund motioned, Anderson seconded to approve the meeting agenda. **Motion carried.**
- B.** Minutes – Urness motioned, Ringstad seconded, to approve meeting minutes of May 25th, 2021. **Motion carried.**
- C.** Budget Report – Merrill motioned, Ringstad seconded to approve the May Budget Report. **Motion carried.**
- D.** Bills and Invoices – Merrill motioned, Urness seconded to pay 19 bills totaling \$9,945.81 for the month of June. **Motion carried.**
- E.** Director's Report
1. Programs & Events – Parks Director gave Pollinator Presentation to Braham Community Social Group with 11 people in attendance. PDGA Tournament was held June 19th with 98 players and volunteers. Scavenger Hunt currently 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.
 2. Structure Removal – Scott Robertson was awarded bid to remove 4 structures and Phase Industries was awarded bid to remove barn from Stamm Farm with a County provided dumpster
 3. Hanson Property – Working with Grant Lindberg Law Office to create new land description in order to trade equal amounts of property from West side to East side.
 4. Springvale Master Plan – information has been mailed to residences within 1 mile of the park, posted on social media, and emailed to stakeholders. There will be a public listening session on June 29th from 5:30pm – 6:30pm at the Government Center and Virtual option.
 5. SWCD Grant Projects – County Board approved low bids to complete the two projects. SWCD requires \$2,283 as match to cover staff time. This will come from Conservation Services Budget.
 6. Park Visitor Numbers through May 2021 were reported.
- F.** Other Business
1. Ashley Hirdler – Advocacy for Accessibility – Ashley has requested to work with the Isanti County Parks Department for an Experiential Placement Project for 14 weeks starting January 2022. The goal would be to provide us education regarding accessibility improvements that could be made within the park system. Anderson stated it is part of our duty to provide accessibility.
 2. Stamm Farm Development Legacy Grant – Reichle motioned, Urness seconded to recommend a grant application in the amount of \$879,350 with a 15% local match to come from the Park Reserve Fund at \$132,000. Development would include two parking areas, 1 mile of paved trail, 1 mile of mowed trail, 2 miles of horse / dog use trails, an off-leash dog area, permanent restroom, 4 boardwalks, and site amenities. **Motion carried.**
 3. Per Diems.
 4. 2022 Budget Proposal – Merrill motioned, seconded by Reichle to approve the proposed 2022 Budget Proposal as submitted. **Motion carried.**
- G.** Next Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, July 27th, 2021 – 5:00 p.m. at Vegsund Family County Park.
- H.** Reichle motioned, Ringstad seconded to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Submitted by,
Barry Wendorf – Isanti County Parks Director