

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES – July 26th, 2022 - 5:00 P.M.
ISANTI COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
555 18th Ave SW, Cambridge, MN 55008

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

- A.** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Bill Carlson.
Ringstad motioned, Oslund seconded to approve the meeting agenda. **Motion carried.**
- B.** Minutes – Merrill motioned, Ringstad seconded, to approve meeting minutes of June 28th, 2022. **Motion carried.**
- C.** Budget Report – Urness motioned, Oslund seconded to approve the May Budget Report. **Motion carried.**
- D.** Bills and Invoices – Blom motioned, Oslund seconded to pay 15 bills totaling \$23,406.76 for the month of July. **Motion carried.**
- E.** Director's Report
1. Programs & Events – Disc Golf League at Springvale Park is every Monday night until October, attendance has declined due to mosquitoes and deer flies. The Scavenger Hunt is going on at Anderson Park through September 12th. Medallion Hunt starts August 15th with \$1,000 in prizes awarded. Disc Golf Tournament is August 20th. The Fall Festival is Sep 17. Rebecca volunteered to bring tagged monarchs for this event. Discussion included having CLIMB Theatre present on AIS and not have the climbing wall due to expense.
 2. Park Visitor Numbers through June 2022 were reported. Continued lack of data for a few counters were calculated based on averages from the past three years.
- F.** Other Business
1. Park Maintenance Lead – The position was offered and accepted by Ryan Gerth. He has a strong background in natural resource management and has worked for Prairie Restorations in the past.
 2. Dorothy Bohn Property – The Trust for Public Land is close to making an agreement to purchase the south 20 acres. The County would include this acquisition in the Natural and Scenic Area Grant Application in 2023.
 3. Springvale County Park – Legacy Fund Application – Carlson motioned, seconded by Reichle to increase the local match to 25% with a total project cost of approximately \$410,000. This includes expanded parking areas, construct permanent restroom, complete the single track trail, construct natural play area, and signage. Merrill voted Nay with a reasoning of keeping the local match at 20%. **Motion carried.**
 4. Commissioner Districts – All current Park Board Members should be sure to contact their County Commissioner that appointed them due to re-districting and elections prior to 2023.
 5. 2023 Budget – Urness motioned, seconded by Ringstad to recommend the proposed budget as presented. **Motion carried.**
 6. Per Diems – Mileage has increased starting July 1st to .625 cents per mile.
- G.** Next Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, August 23rd, 2022 – 5:00 p.m. @ **SPRINGVALE PARK**
- H.** Reichle motioned, Ringstad seconded to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Submitted by, Barry Wendorf – Isanti County Parks Director