



## VILLAGE OF LAKE IN THE HILLS PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING October 3, 2019

The Parks & Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Lake in the Hills Village Hall Board Room. Those present were Members Wackerlin, Cairns, Sandage, Anderson, and Andrea. Also present were Community Services Director Fred Mullard, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation Megan Sandven, Recreation Supervisor Kristi Brewer, Trustee Diane Murphy, and Customer Service Specialist Trevor Kathleen Smith.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM**

None

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting of September 5, 2019 was made by Member Anderson and seconded by Member Wackerlin. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 5-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS–FACILITY USE DISCUSSION**

- A. Indian Trail Beach:** Assistant Director Sandven reiterated the ideas that were listed in the packet on the Indian Trail Beach Informational Memorandum. Assistant Director Sandven then went on to go over the idea of introducing two family waterfront days in the summer of 2020 brochure as well as making the space into a summer only rental space until a decision is made on what to do with the property. Discussion among the members ensued and many of the members were excited by the prospect of utilizing the property for these events and as a rental space. The members asked for more information in regards to logistics of both the family days and the rental space. Assistant Director Sandven shared that at this point they are in the beginning planning stages and they will come back with more concrete information once more planning has taken place.
  
- B. Larsen Property:** Assistant Director Sandven reopened the discussion of the Larsen property and asked for feedback from the members and also encouraged new thoughts or ideas for how to best utilize the property. Member Anderson shared that she had received a lot of feedback from residents on the Larsen Property side of town and they said they would really like to see a splash pad. Member Wackerlin mentioned that the Boy Scouts discussed it and would like to see a BMX bike trail go in there. The members also revisited the idea about creating a barn venue for things like weddings and other rental needs but many agreed that the cost to build something like that versus the amount of revenue it would actually bring in did not make a lot of sense.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Park Stewardship:** Assistant Director Sandven presented the topic of Park Stewardship to the members. Members reported their findings and shared improvement ideas on their assigned parks. Assistant Director Sandven mentioned that she has been regularly sharing their feedback and pictures of possible improvements to the parks with public works. She also let the members know that they have decided to replace the equipment at Richard Taylor Park & Skate Park as a part of the 2020 budget. The park stewardship is now over for the year and will resume in May of 2020.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

- A. Event Analysis:** Recreation Supervisor Brewer briefly went over the event analysis for the Skate Park Event, Summer Camp, and she shared the tremendous success of the Preschool Fun Fair Fundraiser. Recreation Supervisor Brewer also shared the struggle for hiring a summer camp supervisor and counselors in general. She asked the members to reach out with any ideas they may have to help with recruitment.

## **TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORT**

Trustee Murphy had nothing to add.

## **MEMBER COMMENTS**

Member Anderson shared how she has noticed a large amount of vandalism happening at Sunset Park and suggested keeping an eye on it in the future.

Member Sandage asked if anyone knew the background of all of the parks within the Village and why they were named after the people they were named after. Assistant Director Sandven said that she did not know about all of them but that she will look into it as it would be a great thing to know. The members discussed possibly highlighting a different park and it's background in each brochure.

## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

No Participation

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Wackerlin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

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