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AGENDA
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 5:15 p.m.
City Hall Training Room

5:15 p.m. CALL TO ORDER

Welcome to New Board Member-Natasha Schaefer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes from August 17th, 2022 of Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Update on Park Projects

ACTION ITEMS

1. Focus River Falls-Outdoor Recreation Plan Steering Committee

CALENDAR

Next Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting October 19, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

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Council members may be in attendance for informational purposes only.

No official Council action will be taken.

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Members Present: Patricia LaRue (chair), Alyssa Mueller (Council Rep), Brandon Dobbertin, Brenda Gaulke, and Matt Janquart, and Natasha Schafer

Members Absent: Melissa Pedrini

Staff Present: Cindi Danke-Recreation Manager; Brenda Rundle-Recreation Assistant; Mike Stifter-Public Works Director; Jason Stroud-Asst. City Administrator

Others Present: Sean Downing and Ben Fochs

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting convened at 5:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MSC Mueller/Gaulke to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2022 Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting. Carried 6-0.

WELCOME to new board member Natasha Schaefer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

Jason Stroud discussed public art at Glen Park. River Falls has a percent for art program, called "River Falls Creates." The first project was the blue metal wave at the power plant. The winner of the request for proposal (RFP) for art at Glen Park is called "Blossom" by an artist from California. (No artists from Wisconsin applied.) It is 9'-12' varying heights and made of durable and low-maintenance stainless steel. The exact installation location in Glen Park is still being decided; the long-term Glen Park plan needs to be considered. Park Board should send any location feedback to Jason Stroud. Eventually there may be a map listing of public art, along with a description of each piece on the City website. Part of the fund is set aside for future maintenance. Park Board chair Patricia will attend the next River Falls Creates meeting on behalf of park board to look at the possible installation locations. This will likely be installed next spring or summer.

Brandon reported that he has noticed ball strikes, cracks and general weathering on the sides of the Hoffman Park storm shelter.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Hoffman Park Campground fees and rules were discussed. The fee will be increased slightly, partly to help cover card fees. After a discussion, all sites will be available for seasonal rental (no discount), but customers would need to pay for the full length of stay. If someone no-shows, the reservation will be canceled, and the site will become available to someone else at 9am the next day. Campground rules can be re-evaluated next year.

MSC Gaulke/Mueller to approve the increase in camping fees from \$20 to \$25 for electric site and \$10 to \$15 for tent site and that a tent in an electric site pays the full electric fee, and tents must be moved every five days to prevent grass damage, and other rule updates as discussed. Carried 6-0.

2. Mike Stifter updated Park Board that the Glen Park monument sign will be installed this fall at the west entrance. The pickleball courts will have a walk through with the contractor tomorrow regarding the resurfacing issues. Four newly installed playgrounds have turned out very well. They will be usable in the next week or two, but the Glen Park pour and play surface will take a couple more weeks. Sterling Ponds will receive soccer nets soon. There will also be berm and tree work, top dressing of the turf, and a baseball backstop installed this fall. The concrete around the octagon will be re-done this fall. The pool will close on evening of Sunday, August 28 but the splash pad will remain open through approximately Labor Day.

ACTION ITEMS

None

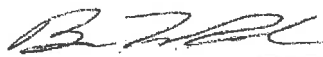
CALENDAR

The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting will be September 21, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC Mueller/Dobbertin to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Brenda Rundle
Customer Service Representative

RIVER FALLS OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #5

Wednesday, September 21 | 5:15pm

1 INTRODUCTIONS

- Introductions and Icebreaker
 - o What is your favorite fall or winter outdoor recreation activity?

2 ENGAGEMENT UPDATE & RESULTS

- Pop-Up Event Summaries
- Survey Summary
- Stakeholder Conversations

3 PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS WORKSHOP

- **What actions, activities, investments, etc. should be considered in the next 5, 10 and 20 years?**

4 OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN OUTLINE

- Plan Outline

5 NEXT STEPS

- Upcoming Events

FOCUS RIVER FALLS: AUGUST UPDATE

FOCUS RIVER FALLS UPDATE

August activities focused on plan analysis activities across the three plans. For the Comprehensive Plan this focused on the development of a future land use plan and plan priorities for other elements. The analysis for the Outdoor Recreation Plan focused on an assessment of current and future facility needs. The Bike and Pedestrian Plan focused on identifying policies and actions.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

August Activities

- Land Use Analysis
- Plan Element Priorities

Upcoming Events

- Building River Falls Survey
- Next Steering Committee Meeting -September 2022

Upcoming Tasks

- Small Area Plans
- Plan Analysis
- Implementation Plan

BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN UPDATE

August Activities

- Plan Analysis

Upcoming Events

- Steering Committee Meeting

Upcoming Tasks

- Plan Analysis
- Implementation Plan

OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

August Activities

- Needs Analysis (Quantitative)
- Needs Assessment Engagement Preparation

Upcoming Events

- Pop-Up Event – Art on the Kinni (9/10) and Flag Football Game
- Needs Assessment Survey
- Next Steering Committee Meeting – September 2022

Upcoming Tasks

- Recommendations Development
- Implementation Plan

ENGAGE RF UPDATE

August Activities

- Bike and Pedestrian Mapping Activity (Continued)
- Comprehensive Plan Activity – Building River Falls (180 responses)
- Housing and Local Businesses Additional Conversations (August 25th)

Upcoming Events

- EngageRF Updates – Park Needs Assessment Survey
- Pop-up Events – TBD

Upcoming Tasks

- Engagement Summaries and Engage RF Updates

REMAINING SCHEDULE

	Comprehensive Plan	Outdoor Recreation Plan	Bike & Pedestrian Plan
September	Plan Element Analysis	Plan Element Analysis	Plan Element Analysis
October	Plan Element Analysis	Plan Drafting	Plan Drafting
November	Implementation	Plan Review	Plan Review
December	Plan Drafting	Plan Adoption	Plan Adoption
January	Plan Review	--	--
February	Plan Review	--	--
March	Plan Adoption	--	--