

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
 OF THE CITY OF PRINCETON IN THE COUNTY OF MILLE LACS
 AND IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
 REGULAR MEETING
 MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2020

1. Call to Order

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board met in Regular Session and Chairman Jill Papesh called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jill Papesh	Chair	Present
Blake Broding	Vice-Chair	Present
Carla Vita	Secretary	Present
Aaron Gruber	Board Member	Absent
Travis Koenen	Board Member	Present
Robert Peters	Board Member	Present
Jacquilien Strandberg	Board Member	Present
Bob Gerold	Staff	Absent
Jules Zimmer	City Council Liaison	Absent

Others present: Tim Jensen

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 27th, 2020

Motion by Broding, second by Peters to approve without changes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. New Business:

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) requests. Jensen inquired to any Park Board requests. Papesh stated that in a previous meeting Civic Center Park Equipment was brought forward by staff. Papesh stated that something small should be considered. Jensen stated that minimally a new slide and swings are needed.

Papesh recommending is new shades for Rainbow park due to the tree removal due to Oak Wilt.

Strandberg stated that a climbing mound would be nice.

Koenen recommended more cameras at parks to prevent and catch those vandalizing.

Papesh inquired to the carts for Reibe Park. Papesh informed that Hillesheim had communicated to her that carts for people to transport their camping items will be at the park. Brooding stated that when he camps at State Parks that he has to bring his own cart.

Consensus of the Park Board to ask Staff to educate the Park Board on the exact plan for the carts for Reibe Park.

4. Reports by Staff

A. Mark Park

Jensen educated that all parks, including Mark Park, have new wood chips.

B. Splash Park

Jensen inquired about moving the funds dedicated to the park umbrella shade to move to 2021. Papesh informed that that the funds for the umbrella shade for this year were moved to assist with the Reibe park overages. She asked that the shades be placed in the 2021 CIP for the park.

Jensen inquired if the Park Board desires to have a shade at the Splash Pad next year.

Consensus of the Park Board to have shade umbrellas for the Splash Pad for 2021.

C. Riverside Park

1) Update on project

Brooding stated that the park is very busy.

Jensen informed that the park had a crane moving in the boat landing. He continued that the walking path to the pier was cut down. Flooding at the park will occur when the river bounces more quickly with the cut for the trail. Potentially it might spill out more quickly. Jensen stated that the concrete steps at the boat landing are complete. He informed that the path at the northwest corner of the project to the fishing point is nearly complete. Jensen informed that the road behind Pizza Pub will have pylons placed. The intent is to prevent traffic. Seeding is complete around the paths.

D. Rainbow Park

Jensen informed that the diseased oaks will be removed.

E. Riebe Park

Jensen informed that the walking path is being constructed. Papesh commented on how large the park is for the community.

F. Pioneer Park

Jensen stated that the cross-country kids are using the park.

G. Riverview Terrace Nature Park

Jensen informed that they are working to get buckthorn under control.

H. Civic Center Park

Jensen informed that the Mayor desires a playground at the park. Papesh stated that the Park Board has not been supportive as they do not want to use any park dedication funds, also all other funds for the parks are being used to the overages for the Reibe-Riverside park that were not created by the Park Board. Broding stated that the Park Board wants to build up the Park Dedication account, not spend the funds. Papesh stated that the Park Board analyzed the situation and believe that a playground at Civic Center park will be used primarily by the users of the Community Center; people in the neighborhood around Civic Center park use the school's equipment as it is very close to the park; and the board is being fiscally responsible and trying to build up funds for future projects.

5. Old Business:

None

6. Miscellaneous:

The Ribbon-cutting for Riverside Park is to be held on Monday, September 28, 2020. Motion by Broding, second by Koenen to move the time and location of the next Park Board meeting to 5:00pm on September 28, 2020 @ Riverside Park, after the ribbon-cutting. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Adjourn

Motion by Peters second by Brodign to adjourn at 6:50pm. Motion carried unanimously.