CITY OF NORTH ST. PAUL
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
April 22, 2020
6:30 PM

The April 22, 2020 meeting was held via Zoom and complied with all requirements of Minnesota State Statute 13D.021.

Due to the Governor's Emergency Declaration, the Mayor has determined that in-person meetings during this pandemic are not practical or safe. All meetings of the City Council and other City-governed boards and commissions will be held by telephone or other electronic means until further notice. (Minn. Stat. 13D.021)

Our upcoming meeting on April 22nd will be held via Zoom. Zoom is an online platform that allows attendees to 'join' the meeting via video or telephone. The April 22nd meeting can be accessed at: https://wsbeng.zoom.us/j/202923657?pwd=K01YK1dCYU8xRzFYYzlVUU9vOGozQT09 Password: 327964 from a PC, Mac, tablet, iPhone or Android device, or by phone at Dial in (phone) info:1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 202 923 657, Password: 327964

The Parks and Recreation commission meeting will be 'open to the public' to listen in, but will be muted from contributing at all times with the exception of the open to the public forum.

Please join the meeting early to test your audio and video settings. If you join via a device and your audio is not working, you may need to use the dial-in phone number option in order to be heard.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Keith Stachowski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Lloyd Grachek, Chair
Laura Greenlee-Karp, Vice Chair
Larry Amsden
Tim Cole
Heather Haas
Ingrid Koller
Sue Springborn
Nancy Thorsen
Sarah Zahradka

Ex-Officio: **Open**

Council Liaison: **Candy Petersen- (absent)**

Staff: **Jill Officer**
Keith Stachowski

III. ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Commissioner Haas, seconded by Commissioner Zaharadka with all present voting aye, motion carried to adopt the agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approve the February 26, 2020 regular meeting minutes

On motion by Commissioner Greenlee-Karp, seconded by Commissioner Koller with all present voting aye, motion carried to approve the February 26th meeting minutes.

V. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Note: This is a courtesy extended to persons wishing to address the Commission concerning issues that are not on the agenda. This discussion will be limited to 15 minutes.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

VII. COMMISSION BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS & RECOMMENDATIONS

A. **Review/Discussion/Recommendation:** Explorers Program Planning-Commissioner Greenlee-Karp spoke about registration opening May 1st so programs are include in catalog. June will possibly be canceled, program days reduced from 6 days to 4 days, occurring every other week. Possible virtual program with supply pick up, and/or adjusting the days further in to summer based on the Governor's recommendations for gatherings.

B. **Review/Discussion/Recommendation:** Silver Lake Life Guards Discussion- waiting to make decisions on lifeguards. With 1/3 of the income gone due to the cancellation of the Splash fundraiser, options are to maybe scale back hours, days, or start later in the season. The YMCA is still interested in having lifeguards at the beach.

C. **Review/Discussion/Recommendation:** 2020 PRC Goals-Contractors / city staff are out at Casey Lake working on sound control and protective wall covering

D. **Review/Discussion/Recommendation:** 2020 Park Improvement Plan Update -Silver Lake clean up during week of April 17th-24th. Individuals take bags and gloves at leisure. City is aware of the work to be done on the bridge down at Casey Lake and arranging to do that work in house.

VIII. REPORTS FROM STAFF

A. **Review/Discussion:** Budget Update – February / March -Some revenue lost due to required park building rental closures.

B. **Review/Discussion:** Cancellation of 2020 Spring Events / Play Equipment closures- March and April event dates canceled, including Easter Egg hunt. All parks and playground equipment are closed, wrapped in yellow tape.

C. **Review/Discussion:** Future Parks and Recreation meeting Discussion -PRC meetings will continue to use the Zoom format for now.

D. **Review/Discussion:** Southwood Nature Preserve February Meeting Notes -New signs informing users about leashing and picking up after their pet have been ordered and will be posted at Southwood Preserve at 5 entrances. Individual weeding will be going on all summer, no organized dates.

IX. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS & PARK LIAISONS

A. **Review/Discussion: Food truck night –** Commissioner Thorsen inquired about postponement- still on schedule for July, same vendors with a couple new. Candyland also coming.

B. **Review/Discussion: Silver Lake path/courts-** Commissioner Koller inquired about the path being done, the tennis courts being locked and suggested signage stating reason why courts are locked. Resurfacing of courts planned for June.
C. **Review/Discussion: Concert in the Park –** Commissioner Haas inquired about canceling the June 18th date. Keith to contact music group to discuss.
D. **Review/Discussion: park opening-** Commissioner Zahradka requested an email be sent to the committee when PRC item dates change/update.
E. **Review/Discussion: tagging in parks –** several spoke of the tagging on the park equipment. Public works is taking care of it as they are made aware.

X. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Commissioner Zahradka, seconded by Commissioner Thorsen with all present voting aye, motion carried to adjourn.

Next meeting: May 27, 2020 – online meeting format via Zoom.