

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES – January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 - 5:00 P.M.  
ISANTI COUNTY GOV. BUILDING – UPSTAIRS TRAINING ROOM  
555 18<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Cambridge, MN 55008**

Voting Members Present: Lee Kingsbury, Dave Ringstad, Wayne Anderson, Susan Blom, Carol Urness, Richard Reichle, Barb Kilpatrick, Bill Carlson, Luke Merrill, Kathy Szczech

Members Absent: Dave Oslund

Staff Present: Barry Wendorf

- A.** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Bill Carlson, followed by introductions of new members as well as a review of the ByLaws.
- B.** Agenda - Ringstad motioned, Anderson seconded to approve the meeting agenda. **Motion carried.**
- C.** Election of Officers – Chair and Vice Chair – Motion by Reichle, seconded by Merrill to reappoint Bill Carlson as Chair and Wayne Anderson as Vice Chair of the Park & Recreation Commission. **Motion carried.**
- D.** Minutes – Merrill motioned, Ringstad seconded, to approve meeting minutes of November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018. **Motion carried.**
- E.** Budget Report – Blom motioned, Urness seconded to approve the December Budget Report. **Motion carried.**
- F.** Bills and Invoices – Ringstad motioned, Blom seconded to pay 27 bills totaling \$15,287.60 for the month of December. **Motion carried.** Reichle motioned, seconded by Kingsbury to pay 8 bills totaling \$711.29 for the month of January. **Motion carried.**
- G.** Director's Report
1. Freezer Burn Fat Bike Race – This January 12<sup>th</sup> race at Springvale County Park had 61 people in attendance. The Parks Department received a \$1,500 donation for trail improvements at Springvale County Park.
  2. Anderson Park Development – Grant reimbursement was received for the completed projects to date. Restroom, Well, Fountain, and Signage remain.
  3. Hanon Property Acquisition – Closed on property January 4<sup>th</sup>. Will be working on add a deed restriction in order to receive grant reimbursement.
  4. Website Update – IT is updating parks website to include shelter reservations, photos, and overall more user friendly.
  5. Invasive Species Management – Applied for a grant in coordination with the Zoning Dept. for \$15k to manage spurge, knapweed, loosestrife, and buckthorn. If budget allows, Hoary alyssum will be added as recommended by Kingsbury.
  6. Long Lake Leaders 4-H Club – Director gave a presentation on prairie management on Jan 21<sup>st</sup>. The club donated \$500 to Isanti County Parks for the construction of a bulletin board at Dalbo County Park.
  7. Park Visitor Numbers were provided through 2018.

**F.** Other Business

1. Advertisement Opportunities – It was recommended by the commission to bring back a yearlong plan for advertisement to the February Meeting.
2. Isanti Township Park Reserve Fund Request – Reichle motioned, seconded by Anderson to approve the request in the amount of \$14,000 from Isanti Township for shoreline stabilization efforts at Fannie Lake access. The township is working with the SWCD. **Motion carried.**
3. ICEC Request to Harvest Willow Stems – Anderson motioned, seconded by Kilpatrick to approve a Special Use Permit for the ICEC to harvest willow stems from Becklin Park within areas determined by the Parks Director. **Motion carried.**
4. Park Master Plans – It was recommended by the commission to bring back options to complete an updated MP for Anderson Park and for the completion of an MP for Springvale County Park.
5. Per Diems.

**H.** Next Meeting Scheduled for **Tuesday, February 26th, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.**

**I.** Reichle motioned, Ringstad seconded to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Submitted by,

Barry Wendorf  
Isanti County Parks Director