

**PARK & TREE BOARD
VETERANS PARK
THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020
12:00 NOON**

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Minutes (page 1)
- III. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Veterans Park – Review & Tour (page 4)
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Handwash Stations Update
 - B. COVID-19:
 - 1. Parks
 - 2. Shelters/Reservations
 - 3. Equipment
 - 4. Concert In The Park Events
 - C. Park Comprehensive Plan
 - D. Fishing Pier Update
- V. INFORMATIONAL
- VI. ADJOURN

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Board Members: John Wimmer, Len Gilmore, Deb Michalski, Jerome Feigum, Jonathan Truwe, Matt Dickhausen, and Alicia LaBeau (Council Member).

Advisory Members: Ron Mergen, Lee Schleper, and Belinda Ludwig.

This agenda has been prepared to provide information regarding an upcoming meeting of the Paynesville Park & Tree Board. This document does not claim to be complete and is subject to change.

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REQUEST FOR BOARD/COUNCIL ACTION

BOARD/COUNCIL NAME: Park & Tree Board

Board/Council Meeting Date: June 4, 2020

Agenda Section: Consent

Originating Department: Administration

Item Number: II - A

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Minutes

Prepared by: Staff

COMMENTS:

Please review the minutes of the May 7, 2020 Park & Tree Board meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

BOARD/COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2020 Park & Tree Board meeting.

MINUTES PARK & TREE BOARD MEETING

MAY 7, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Matt Dickhausen at 12:00 p.m. Members present were John Wimmer, Deb Michalski, Alicia LaBeau, Jerome Feigum, and Len Gilmore. Jonathan Truwe was absent. Advisory Members present were Ron Mergen, Public Works Director; and Lee Schleper, Maintenance Worker.

Motion was made by Gilmore to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2020 Park & Tree Board meeting. Seconded by Wimmer and unanimously carried.

EMERALD ASH BORE

Members viewed the Ash trees in Gazebo Park. There are approximately 15 Ash trees in the park. At the previous meeting it was suggested to start removing and replacing them. It was noted that some grant assistance may be available in the form of a DNR grant. There are three areas:

- Tree Inventory
- Tree removal
- Replacement trees

Staff was directed to investigate the tree grants.

HAND WASH STATIONS

It was reported that the hand wash stations have been ordered.

COVID-19

Members discussed the following areas:

- Parks and Park Equipment – members discussed keeping them open. It was noted that the parks and restrooms should remain open. The playground equipment would follow the Governor's directives. Currently the City has signage posted that the playground equipment is not to be utilized. The school playground equipment is currently open for public use.

PARK FACILITY RESERVATIONS

Parties with current reservations were sent letters informing them of the possibility that the Veterans Park facility may not be open due to COVID-19. It was suggested to follow the Governor's directive.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

It was discussed to continue with the concert in the park at this time (since the concerts don't start until mid-June) and suggest to concertgoers to social distance from one another.

PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Members toured the park noting the beautiful condition the park is in. The focus for the future is the Gazebo. It was suggested to add:

- Skylight
- Steel roof
- Better access ramp
- Some type of wind block on the north-west side

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

6. Veterans Park

Veterans Park is a fully developed park that is planned to be enhanced. The proposed improvements include additional playground equipment and a boat dock. A new kitchen/shelter/restroom facility was added in 2009 and can accommodate large picnics, family reunions, etc.

Existing Amenities

2 Swing Sets
1 Restroom
3 Open Shelters
17 Picnic Tables
6 Bench
5 Grills
2 Sand Volleyball Court
1 Sand Box
1 Backhoe
1 Slide
1 Lookout Tower
1 Swimming Platform
2 Tanning Decks
Sprinkler System
Walking Trails
Park Sign
Repair Trail – 2008 – County Completed
New Sand by Swing Set - 2011
Playground Equipment
- Infinity Climber – 2010 - \$4,200.00
Sign & Stand for Lifeguards – 2008 – City Completed
Sun Shelter for Lifeguard - 2011
Spray Fountain by Beach – 2008 - \$3,800.00
Parking Lot Improvements:
- Remove Posts – 2008 – City Completed
- Split Rail on North Side – County Completed
Landscape Around Flag
New Kitchen/Shelter/Restroom Building – 2009 - \$130,000.00
Improve Trail System - 2008
- Connect to Old Lake Road
- Widen Trails
Rock Barrier – 2010 - \$7,500.00
Parking Lot Improvements –
Reconstruct in 2014 - \$90,000
Upgrade Swimming Raft - \$20,000.00
Boat Dock - \$6,000.00

Proposed Amenities

Trail from Shelter to Playground
(north)
Fishing Pier

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CITY OF PAYNESVILLE, MINNESOTA
 COMPREHENSIVE PARK PLAN
 VETERANS PARK

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