

Monday, September 1, 2020 5:15 PM
CITY OF MINNETONKA BEACH
PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Roll Call: Chair Joe Pagano, Vice Chair Katie Norman, Chris Dovolis, Dan Forbes, Harlan Lehman, Kim Petersen, and Patty Rezabek. Absent: none

Staff Present: City Clerk Heidi Honey, Council Member Tracey Breazeale, Mayor Jaci Lindstrom

Call to Order: Chair Pagano called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm

1. Administration

1.1. Oaths of Office – Dovolis, Forbes

Oath of Office was administered to Commissioners Dovolis and Forbes.

1.2. Welcoming Comments

Mayor Lindstrom presented the recognition plaque to Commissioner Rezabek at City Hall today.

Library and warming house were painted and stained. The city has not received the Livingston playground proposal yet.

1.3. Approve Agenda – September 1, 2020

Norman motion, Petersen second to approve the September 1, 2020 agenda. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

1.4. Approve Minutes - August 4, 2020 Park Commission Regular Meeting

Forbes motion, Petersen second to approve the August 4, 2020 minutes. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

1.5. Park Commission Rules of Procedure

Pagano stated this information is for their use when they review the Livingston Proposal.

1.6. Commissioner Reports – Livingston Strong – reports in packet

Pagano stated these reports are for their use when they review the Livingston Proposal. There are no financial reports for the Livingston proposal yet.

2. Administrative Calendar

2.1. Election of Officers

Rezabek motion, Forbes second to elect as Commission Pagano as Chair. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

Rezabek motion, Forbes second to elect Commissioner Norman as Vice Chair. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

2.2. 2021 Budget Approval

Pagano reviewed proposed additions to the previously discussed 2021 budget. These were noted on the asset inspections: Welcome Sign repair - \$2,000, Notice board replace/repair at Ray Peters Woods - \$1,000, Restore the Shore increase to \$1,000, and Turf Restoration at Half Moon Park - \$4,000.

Petersen is meeting with vendors for restoring the shore by the swim beach. The area is currently mulch but it could be a buffer zone for water filtration. Half Moon Park turf restoration is to replace the turf

which has very short roots to turf with deeper roots which will help draw up water, create healthier soil and grass, and reduce the use of chemicals. Rezabek stated the vendor they met with identified the current turf as a variety with shallow roots. Petersen will meet with additional vendors. Pagano will write up budget commentary for Breazeale to present to Council.

Forbes motion, Dovolis second to accept the 2021 Park Commission Budget as proposed. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

Forbes motion, Norman second to designate Chair Pagano to write commentary about the 2021 budget for Breazeale to present to Council. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman - aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

3. Process for Livingston Strong Recommendation to City Council

3.1. Livingston Strong Donation Approach – Discussion Outline

The proposal has not been received. Pagano suggested dividing the proposal review into three categories and the commission will be divided into three teams of two commissioners who will review assigned categories instead of all commissioners doing a deep review of all aspects of the proposal. Commissioners are assigned categories based on their area of expertise. The groups would report their findings back to the Park Commission. The donation policy states that the Park Commission will give a recommendation on the donation, however, in this case, City Council will make the decision on the sign and signage. Commissioners agreed to follow the approach as presented.

3.2. Commissioner availability for special review session

Dovolis and Forbes are not available Wednesdays. The Lafayette Club asked for a 10-day notice for the resident input session and they need to work out the availability of the LMCC for recording.

4. Chair Wrap Up and Adjournment

Alan Carlson asked about the schedule and process if there is no agreement between Parks and the Livingston Strong team. Pagano stated Parks will note if any of their recommendations are not accepted by the Livingston team and they will be shared with residents. Pagano stated the parks recommendations will be provided when the Livingston proposal is posted. Parks will have a special meeting to review the proposal and their recommendations will come out of that meeting, which will be public.

Nell Mathews suggested that the city post any information it receives on the city website even if it is not final or recommended by the Park Commission. People have been addressing issues that may or may not be part of the proposal.

Rezabek motion, Norman second to adjourn the September 1, 2020 Park Commission meeting. Roll call vote: Dovolis - aye, Forbes - aye, Lehman – aye, Norman -aye, Petersen – aye, Rezabek -aye. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE – Susan Carlson, Nell Mathews, Kathy Gillum, Alan Carlson, Joann Anderson, Judy Soukup, Laura Inglis, Robert Gillum

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Honey, City Clerk