

City of Minnetonka Beach
Park Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday March 1, 2010

Members Present: Chair Patty Rezabek, Dave Christiansen, Rob Ball, Ray Boyle, Laura Inglis, Amy Johnson, and Liaison Mike Taylor
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: None
Others Present: Lee Goehring and Kelly Boyle from the Dock Committee
Materials Distributed:

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN/ PARTY RESPONSIBLE
1. Welcome to Dock Committee & 2. Approve Agenda		(Laura Inglis motion, Robb Ball second to approve agenda as written; all ayes).
3. Approve Feb 1, 2010 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patty to add to minutes: “Patty continues to be concerned regarding Docks 14-4 and 14-5 docks” - wants 14-5 open and 14-4 no canopy. 	(Laura Inglis motion, Dave Christiansen second to approve the February 1, 2010 with addition listed in Discussion; all ayes).
4. Update from Docks Committee	<p>Fire Lane Usage</p> <p>Lee Goehring, Dock Committee Co-Chair, gave an update on the fire lane at the swimming beach. He said non residents have been using the area for a boat launch. It is not an official LMCD dedicated boat launch. Both a safety issue and destruction issue; ruts are made from tires so it is a wear and tear issue. They see it as a safety issue in the winter when ice fishermen and snowmobilers are using it to get on the lake. Dock Committee voted to have Ben Young install two posts with a chain across so the fire lane could still be used by residents. There have been some problems with it. City code allows fire lane usage in the winter for access for snowmobiles to get on the ice. A snowmobile would still be able to enter around the post on the right side. Also, reflectors have been put across the chain. The chain was intended to stop the non-resident use.</p> <p>It was noticed after that an SUV drove across the park to get to the ice by the swimming area since the fire lane</p>	<p>Action: Dick Krier-review utilization of fire lanes for motorized vs. non-motorized “dedicated public street”-dedicated to public use, held in trust by the city and Council can determine how it wants to restrict or not restrict that area.</p> <p>Action: Dock Committee and Parks to think through issues and welcome feedback from Dock Committee to have prepared recommendation for the April Council meeting regarding fire lanes.</p>

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	<p>was closed off.</p> <p>Concerns of the approach/process of how the closing was handled; of closing public area we are giving up what residents have had in the past.</p> <p>Mayor asked Parks and Dock Committee to come together and give a joint recommendation.</p> <p>Gregg Pederson, Mound Fire Chief, told Chair Rezabek it is unlikely the fire dept. would be using the fire lane for emergency access.</p> <p>A letter from Thomas & Susanne Schriefer requested minimum restrictions of the fire lane, recommending access for Minnetonka Beach residents.</p> <p>Lee Goehring said they (Dock Committee) want to keep the fire lane open in both summer and winter for use by residents. For next summer possibly use a lockbox with a code and a key within for residents to use. Suggestion: put up a sign "Resident Use Only".</p> <p>There is a contradiction between city ordinance and the Comp Plan regarding use of fire lanes; ordinance allows snowmobiles to use them and Comp Plan prohibits motorized vehicles access. (Dedicated public street).</p> <p>Docks</p> <p>Discussion took place on parks and docks process – lack of communication from Docks to Parks; dock committee thought Parks was being updated by city staff with minutes etc. from meetings.</p> <p>Sight line from swimming beach goes right over Dock 14-5 and 14-4. Sitting on the south side bench by 14, sight line goes through Dock 15.</p> <p>Recommendation to Council:</p> <p>Suggestions: Pull docks 14:4 & 14-5 inland 20 ft to increase the sight lines angles out to Lake - Lee to check into this further.</p> <p>-Have Dock 14-5 have a lift instead of a canopy; possibly move someone over to that spot that doesn't have a canopy. Possibly have Council not allow a canopy at this location.</p>	<p>Need recommendation for both summer and winter.</p> <p>Action: Parks to review ideas for 2011</p> <p>Action: Lee Goehring to ask LMCD about these possible changes for 2010 season.</p>

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	<p>-Move Dock 15 closer to 15A</p> <p>-Try to work together to have docks 14-4 & 14-5 not to have canopies.</p>	
<p>5. Maintenance Committee Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura gave an update on Davey Tree; the proposal was at a very high price. Laura feels a Tree Inventory is not needed - use an Arborist every 2-3 yrs. We can meet and develop a 3 yr plan with an arborist. • Patty called Tom Houston: he has never done an inventory with a city (only for individuals), does not work with a GPS. • Patty: Steve Nicholson proposal - possibly do #1 in groups over 3 yrs time. Inventory helps with such things as EAB. Planning and management. • Robb: Inventory helps with managing resources, budgeting, priorities, etc. • Dave: A tree inventory would be helpful for new incoming commission members, vision planning, and overall plan. • A plan would help a trimmer be more efficient. • Mike suggested trying a small subset such as a one park trial. • Ray: It would help set priorities 1) disease trees, 2) trim trees, etc • Need overall plan to guide our directions 	<p>Robb will call Rainbow Tree Company</p> <p>Action: trim oaks in Beach area.</p> <p>(Laura Inglis motion, Ray Boyle second to contract with Davey for trimming of trees at the Beach park area at a cost of \$800 - 3 bur oak, 1 red oak, 1 white oak, 1 basswood and 1 ash; all ayes).</p> <p>Dave will get two other competitive bids for doing tree inventories, and they would be given trimming contracts.</p> <p>Return to discussion in April.</p>
<p>6. Hockey Rink and Warming House Use</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of hockey rink by groups continues to be a problem • Rink to close soon 	<p>Parks to review attorney recommendations.</p> <p>Parks will follow up and address action plan for next season.</p>
<p>7. City Survey on</p>	<p>Discussion on impact on park areas on either side of</p>	<p>Wait to see if bonding is approved by State then</p>

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crossing 15	County Rd 15: -Size of solar panels to west of tunnel 64"x39" -Surveys so far: "safety" is a concern -50% of respondents want solution, 50% don't want solution -Council should know in 30 days. There would be additional open forums and hearings.	Parks to discuss.
8. "No Snowmobiles" Signage for Parks		Action: Ben to order 5 signs
9. 2010 Meeting Schedule and Project Assignments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled due to time 	
10. 2010 Budgets Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabled due to time 	
11. Public Works Director		
12. Commissioner & Other Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turkey issues: if still here in April then discuss at meeting. 	
Clean up Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, April 24th. Civic discussed a clean up day suggesting Council members as team leaders and hold it as a contest between teams. There was not a lot of enthusiasm for this suggestion. 	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Amy Johnson motion, Laura Inglis second to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 p.m.; all ayes). 	

Next Meeting: April 5th